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We deeply support continuing the limits on canola growing in the Willamette Valley. Cauliflower, cabbage, Chinese mustards, collards, Brussels sprouts, kales, radishes, and other crucifer vegetable seed crops require very specific environmental conditions to produce quality seed crops. Canola is an enormous problem for these crops for many reasons, including the way it cross-pollinates and can take over enormous swaths of land, making growing brassicas difficult or even impossible. We need bio-diversity now more than ever. Please protect the Willamette Valley by maintaining the prohibition on growing canola other than for seed production Thank you

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