Submitter: RJ Cook

On Behalf Of: JP and Susie Cook Family Farm

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB1537

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Opposition to SB 1537

From: RJ Cook

As the current steward sof our National Register of Historic Places Farmstead, Century Farm,

Home to a State and Clackamas County Heritage Tree Grove we strongly oppose SB 1537.

We cannot continue to follow the "build out" to cure our housing issues.

Our farm is surrounded by 4 of the top 5 greenhouse gas emitters in the area.

To extend that into farm and open space lands will only compound the issue.

BUILD UP NOT OUT! And let us help with climate issues not compound them further.

If we don't have safe, secure, local places to grow food, housing will not matter.

BUILD UP NOT OUT. Nature matters also.

Once again Strongly oppose SB 1537.

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