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Small farms are essential to the life I and many others came to Portland for. They represent a connection with our food sources, reverence for the earth and the soil, stewardship of the land and its resources, and hard work done by hand--something that's becoming harder and harder to witness. Small-scale and family-run farms are one of the ways I teach my children about our core values and provide them with open outdoor spaces and fun educational activities throughout the year. It's not possible to imagine a Portland region without these farms, not only for our current generation but for our kids and their kids as well. Please protect these vital treasures that represent all we love about this region.