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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural  
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4153

We've farmed at our location in Cottage Grove for 50 years (this year!) and have always been proud of Oregon's Landuse Laws. They make sense!

Please put aside HB 4153. It weakens protections that restrict non-farm commercial activities. Oregon must continue to save farmland from development. With climate change, west of the Cascades may become the breadbasket of the nation in the future.

Oregon already allows farm stands, agritourism, and value-added processing under current law. Those tools support farmers without turning farmland into non-farm commercial operations.

HB 4153 is being pushed by a special interest group. Our EFU lands are valuable zoned for farming and related farm uses, not commercialization.

At the minimum, please decide to not deal with this in the short session.

Thank you very much.

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