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**Oregon Board of Agriculture
635 Capitol St. NE
Salem, Oregon 97301**

Resolution 310 Agri-tourism Support

Dear Chairman Hallock and Board Members,

We are in support of resolution 310 being updated. The Agri-tourism resolution with the updates needs adopted.

This resolution provides for a clear direction in emphasizing the agriculture component when Agri-tourism events and activities occur in the EFU zone, and that the compatibility is cohesive to the neighboring agriculture practices.

Our farm bureau uses the Board of Ag's resolutions when we appear before our Board of Commissioners to support positions that we take for the protection of agriculture and our EFU zone.

Everyone seems to want to do events in the EFU zone and forget that the purpose of the EFU zone is for farming not Agri-tourism. Agri-tourism is a secondary use for a farming operation, and the impacts to the rest of agriculture located by an Agri-tourism proposal need to be considered before approval.

Please update the current resolution to the new proposed resolution language that the sub-committee has worked on (310).

Sincerely,

Mickey Killingsworth

**Mickey Killingsworth
Secretary-Treasurer**

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