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Senator Michael Dembrow, Chair, Sen.MichaelDembrow@oregonlegislature.gov
Senate Committee on Environmental and Natural Resources
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RE: Senate Bill 1036

My name is Kathryn Jernstedt. I live at 8156 NE Mineral Springs Road in Carlton in Yamhill County. This is part of the Frank and Anna Jernstedt Farm established in 1891 and which proudly celebrates its recognition as a Century Farm. I wish to testify in opposition to SB 1036

To call them "landfills" is to vastly understate their visual impact as well as the effects on air, water, soil and topography. What may have once been small scale low tech local dump sites have been acquired by Fortune 500 companies and expanded to a sizes unimagined by the original operators or jurisdictions. DOGAMI has special technical expertise in risk assessment of these manmade earthworks that dwarf the natural features around them.

Further, to grant such a significant exception to established standards by legislative fiat is dismissive of the many stakeholders who came together in the rule making process. It is unfair to other industries and public entities that are providing value to the state economy and citizenry while complying. The open and inclusive rule making process is conducted so all stakeholders and the public in general are on relatively even footing. The legislative process moves at a faster pace and in a setting that is not readily accessible to most citizens busy with their daily lives.

I respectfully request that you do not advance this bill. Thank you for your attention.

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