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Re: Agritourism Rulemaking per HB 3133

<https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2025R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB3133>

Yamhill County thrives on agritourism; from produce stands to corn mazes, flower and harvest festivals to farm-to-table dinners, these permitted activities have helped our local farms remain economically viable while providing family-friendly activities for visitors and residents alike.

Under ORS 215.283 and 215.203, this permitting pathway is the most broadly utilized way for farmers to engage in agritourism.

*Any changes to the farmstand rules will have direct and far-reaching implications for Oregon's rural economy and the future of agritourism in Yamhill County and around the State.*

Additional limits on promotional events would disqualify many popular agritourism experiences. Farm-to-Table Dinners would be further restricted; there would be lack of clarity on indoor events, and siting and enforcement changes would result in unequal and burdensome regulations. Proposed rules do not address the income restrictions issue and do not reflect the reality of present-day farm economics.

We strongly urge DLCD to consider the impacts of proposed rule changes and underscore the importance of supporting robust agritourism throughout Oregon.

Please reconsider your approach and help us, as a local partner support our small farms.

Approved by the Yamhill County Board of  
Commissioners on 07/24/2025  
via Board Order 25-238

Sincerely,

Kit Johnston  
Chair

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