



Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program Phone Call Script to Legislators

On behalf of the Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program (OAHP) Coalition, thank you for your advocacy! Lawmakers must hear your stories from YOU. Your voice is crucial to convincing lawmakers to support OAHP.

How to call your local legislator's office:

- Introduce yourself as a constituent (someone who lives in their district).
 - Give your name and address.
 - Thank the legislator (or staff person) for their service to the district.
- Provide the specific bill number and bill title (HB 2729 - Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program funding bill).
- Ask about the legislator's position on the bill.
- Request their vote in your favor. Please don't hesitate to share a personal story about why you support OAHP!
- Thank them for their time.

A sample script for your phone call can look like this:

"I'm calling to express my support for House Bill 2729, also known as the Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program funding bill. It is currently in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means and requests a \$10 million investment from the State. Passing HB 2729 with full funding will help my community, family, and the environment. It is very important that this bill passes this session so that Oregon doesn't permanently lose working lands and the public benefits they provide. Please vote in support of House Bill 2729. Thank you for your time."

For more information about the legislative process and how you can help, contact Gordon Levitt, Legislative Coordinator for the Coalition of Oregon Land Trusts. 541-980-3955 or email gordon@oregonlandtrusts.org