



YOU'RE INVITED!

While you're busy raising crops or livestock, Farm Bureau is there for you. Join us at OregonFB.org.

“ So much of public policy directly impacts farmers and ranchers' ability to do their jobs, including laws involving land use, labor, water, taxes, transportation, energy, and wildlife. Farm Bureau's goal is to help Oregon's farm and ranch families survive, succeed, and remain sustainable. ”

Brenda Frketich
Marion County Farm Bureau
Raises grass seed, vegetables, and hazelnuts



Farm Bureau is a grassroots, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization representing the depth and breadth of Oregon's diverse agricultural community. We give a voice to farm and ranch families at the capitol, in the courts, and within regulatory agencies.

Farm Bureau is Oregon's most inclusive agriculture organization.

Over 6,600 Farm Bureau member families raise all of Oregon's 225+ agricultural commodities, from hops to hazelnuts, cattle to caneberries. All farm and ranch sizes – from 10 acres to 10,000 acres – and all

farming methods – organic, conventional, biotech, and no-tech – are welcome and invited to join.

We believe Oregon's agriculture community is strongest when we're united.

Agriculture is distinctive in that nearly every aspect of public policy impacts farmers' and ranchers' ability to do their jobs and remain profitable. Farm Bureau gives our members a united voice in the political and regulatory arenas. We help farm and ranch families stay in business and keep doing the job they love.



OFB's Board of Directors is comprised of family farmers and ranchers from across the state.

GRASSROOTS



VOTING FARM BUREAU MEMBERS ARE FARMERS AND RANCHERS

who generate at least \$2,500 in gross income every year from agricultural activities. These members are the backbone of our grassroots, county-based structure.



SUPPORTING FARM BUREAU MEMBERS AREN'T FARMERS, but support Oregon agriculture and OFB's mission to keep farming and ranching sustainable.



County Farm Bureau: Your membership starts here

When you join, you become part of a County Farm Bureau. Voting members can participate at the county level, present individual concerns, and work to make real change for the betterment of Oregon agriculture.

Each County Farm Bureau is unique and offers programs, activities, and events specifically for local members.

Oregon Farm Bureau: A voice at the state level

Based in Salem, Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB) is a federation comprised of all the County Farm Bureaus. The OFB Board of Directors reflects the diversity of Oregon agriculture with members representing a wide variety of commodities, farming methods, and operation sizes.

Professional OFB staff work tirelessly to advocate for Farm Bureau members in the political, regulatory, legal, and public arenas. Grassroots members work alongside staff at all levels of engagement.

OFB's policy positions are set by farmers and ranchers through an open, democratic process that takes place every year.

American Farm Bureau: National representation

Laws passed in Washington, D.C. have direct impact on the ground here in Oregon. Farm Bureau members benefit from unrivaled advocacy by American Farm Bureau at the federal level.

Young & new farmers

Farm Bureau members between the ages of 16 and 35 can participate in the Young Farmers & Ranchers Program. YF&R offers leadership training, networking, social events, travel opportunities, and much more.



Left: Bryan Harper, Lane County Farm Bureau, Hazelnut farmer

ENGAGEMENT



“ My husband Shane and I truly love being a part of the Farm Bureau family! We’re passionate about doing our part to help fellow farmers and ranchers remain sustainable and profitable. ”

Crystal Otley
Harney County Farm Bureau
Cattle rancher, hay farmer

STAY INFORMED:

Help Farm Bureau advocate for ag via emailed **OFB Action Alerts**.
You'll also stay informed about our work via the printed **OFB Newsletter** and on **OregonFB.org**.

Voting members are welcome to attend their County Farm Bureau meetings, get involved, and make a difference for Oregon agriculture.

County Farm Bureau Monthly Meetings							
	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
First Week		Douglas Klamath-Lake Polk			Baker Deschutes		
Second Week		Linn	Gilliam Wasco Yamhill	Coos-Curry Harney Marion	Clackamas Jefferson Umatilla- Morrow	Crook- Wheeler	For meeting times and locations, contact OFB at tiffany@oregonfb.org , 800.334.6323. Counties that aren't listed have varying meeting times throughout the year.
Third Week		Grant Josephine Tillamook Washington	Jackson Malheur	Benton Union	Multnomah		
Fourth Week		Columbia					

Voting Farm Bureau members can also:



Attend the OFB Annual Meeting in December.



Serve on OFB Issue Advisory Committees.



Become a county delegate and vote on OFB policy.



Join a Farm Bureau trip to Washington, D.C.



Attend the American Farm Bureau Convention.

ADVOCACY

**LESS
THAN** **1%**

of Oregonians make their living in agriculture. Farmers and ranchers must fight harder and speak louder to be heard and understood by lawmakers, regulators, and policymakers.

ALL YEAR LONG, FARM BUREAU FIGHTS FOR MEMBERS ON ISSUES LIKE

Reducing complicated red tape **Endangered Species Act**

Safeguarding all farming practices **Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS)**

Water quality **Stopping costly taxes on carbon** **Workforce reliability**

Stopping new water fees **Abuse of Antiquities Act** **Water security**

State & federal land grabs **Higher costs of doing business**

Defending Right to Farm law

Reducing regulatory burdens on ag employers **Protecting market access**

Threats to Farm Use Assessment **Wildlife damage**

Guarding animal health tools **Reducing taxes for family farmers**

New lawsuits in every labor bill **Mitigating taxes on gross income**

Court cases to protect family agriculture



OFB staff gives Farm Bureau members the inside information they need to effectively share their stories with lawmakers.

While members are busy out in the field or on the range, OFB staff work tirelessly all year long to make agriculture's perspective heard by legislators, regulators, and the courts.



VALUE

WHAT DO YOU GET FOR YOUR DUES?

Dues are no higher than \$145 annually. Dues amounts are set by County Farm Bureaus.



Beyond Advocacy

Farm Bureau programs support Oregon agriculture and build relationships with consumers.

- Young Farmers & Ranchers Program
- Farm Employer Education & Legal Defense Service (FEELDS)
- Ag education for the public
- Health and safety education for farmers
- Women's leadership development
- Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program
- Summer Ag Institute
- Farm Bureau scholarships
- REAL (Resource Education & Agricultural Leadership) Oregon



Learn more about Farm Bureau's programs at OregonFB.org.

YF&R members come from all parts of Oregon and live and work on all types of ag operations.

SAVINGS

FARM BUREAU MEMBERS SAVE BIG BUCKS WITH GENEROUS PROGRAMS FROM THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS.



Farm Bureau benefits are subject to change without notice.

How to Join

Visit OregonFB.org/join to become a voting or supporting member of Farm Bureau.
Or call Oregon Farm Bureau at 800.334.6323.



“ I am Farm Bureau Proud! Leadership and advocacy for Oregon agriculture are big deals for me. In Farm Bureau we stick together to persevere and push back against the onslaught of constantly expanding and expensive regulations targeting our operations. ”

Logan Kerns
Baker County
Farm Bureau

