

# Protecting Oregon's Food Supply and Essential Agricultural Workers Proposal

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### GOALS:

- Deploy rapid support and resources to Oregon's agricultural growers to meet harvest demands and to ensure the protection of migrant and seasonal farmworkers during the COVID-19 emergency.
- Reduce the potential for illness and death associated with COVID-19 among farmworkers, their families, and employers, and other residents in rural and urban communities.
- Enhance the public health of the state and educate Oregon's agricultural industry to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

### **Agricultural Workforce Housing**

Hotel Vouchers: Increasing statewide temporary housing capacity for employers that need to rapidly provide employer shelter for workers

Funding request: \$5M

Non-Congregate Housing: Standing up centralized temporary housing for workers to meet peak harvest demands while social distancing in prioritized locations.

Funding request: \$5M

*TOTAL: \$10M*

### **COVID-19 Sanitation**

Providing a state procurement process for the rapid deployment of handwashing stations, sanitation equipment, cleaning supplies for agricultural employers, farmworkers, and community-based organizations.

- Field Sanitation- Handwashing Stations and Portable Restrooms: \$5M
- Social Distancing Transportation: \$1M
- Isolation & Quarantine: TBD

*TOTAL: \$6M*

### **Mitigating COVID-19 Outbreaks**

Ensuring that workers who are sick are able to recuperate and seek health care by funding COVID-19 Wage loss relief. Providing farmworkers with PPE to slow the spread of COVID -19. Outreach and education that is linguistically and culturally responsive in partnership with community-based organizations.

- PPE: \$500K
- COVID-19 Wage Loss Relief: \$10M
- Community-based outreach: \$3M

*TOTAL: \$13.5M*

**DRAFT COVID-19 Agricultural Relief Package: \$29.5M**