



COMMUNITY ALLIANCE
WITH FAMILY FARMERS

April 23, 2018

The Honorable Monique Limon
State Capitol, Room 6031
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1981 (Limon) -- SUPPORT

Dear Assemblywoman Limon:

The Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) is a statewide organization that represents both farmers and non-farm residents who support sustainable food and farming policies. CAFF is pleased to support your AB 1981, which takes several steps to increase the production and use of compost in woodlands and forests to improve watershed health and especially to improve post-fire recovery.

Compost has multiple environmental and agronomic benefits, and CAFF strongly supports the state's policies to promote the production and use of compost, including by reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 5 million tons annually through the use of compost on farms and forest lands. While the measures in AB 1981 do not directly affect CAFF members or agriculture in general, they are important additional steps to meet the state's goals. Increased demand for compost, which your bill will generate, is needed to improve the economic climate for the production of compost, which will further help the state meet its compost goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Runsten', written in a cursive style.

David Runsten
Policy Director