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Dear Director Coba:

The enclosed report, "A Human Rights Assessment of ODA's Proposed Aerial Gypsy Moth Spray in Eugene, Oregon," was commissioned by the Oregon Toxics Alliance and prepared by Environment and Human Rights Advisory for the Insect Pest Prevention and Management program in ODA's Plant Division.

The Report provides ODA a list of human rights norms of concern associated with the proposed aerial pesticide application in Eugene, finds some potential liabilities and describes pathways the Department could take to mitigate those liabilities.

Information in this report may assist the Department in its efforts to reduce the risk of abridging human rights norms.

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