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To who it may concern.

I am a tillage farmer from Wexford. I am very concerned about how my sector of farming is being diminished due to the rise in dairy farming.

The tillage sector is by far the most environmentally and carbon friendly sector of farming and needs to be supported in the next cap reform.

The chemistry we use needs to be protected as this is one of the tools used to protect the environment and enable us to practice zero tillage and minimum tillage. Without this chemistry yields will fall and less environmentally friendly practises such as deep cultivation will have to be used to establish crops.

We already import six and a half million tonnes of grain to feed our animals so if yields were to fall this number would go up and the countries carbon front print would also get worse.

There is three points I will leave you with.

1. Protect the chemistry used on tillage farms.
2. Protect the area under tillage farming do not let it decrease.
3. Reward tillage farmers whose practices sequester carbon from the environment.

Yours sincerely,

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