

**BUREAU OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES 10 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN**

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Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners,

I am here on behalf of the Urban Greenspaces and several partners including Audubon Society of Portland, GreenWorks PC landscape architecture firm, and others to support your accepting BES's Strategic Plan. We have followed development of the plan for some time and have provided input at every step of the way. We are impressed with its comprehensive nature and strongly support its adoption, but most importantly its implementation!

On the point of implementation, I want to highlight one element that was presented this morning, the partnership BES has established with Portland State University's Institute for Sustainable Solutions. We have met with Fletcher Beaudoin and Robert Liberty who is the Institute's Director. The Institute has both financial, research and policy resources to bring to the table and we feel is a critical partner in ensuring that the Strategy is implemented with input from and on the ground work for all city bureaus, not just BES. Mayor Wheeler, given the importance of an all city, all hands on deck implementation of the plan, across city bureaus we look to you for your leadership in helping make that happen. We look forward to having a conversation soon to discuss that with you.

Commissioners, each of you have a role in the plans implementation and we feel this is an exciting opportunity to actually do what we talk about all the time, break down silos and collaborate.

We look forward as partners to work with all of you and your bureaus to make the Strategic Plan an on the ground reality.

Respectfully,

Mike Houck