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## Testimony to **Portland City Council** on the **Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, Recommended Draft**

We Eastside community members are justifiably concerned about this project proposal. The failed Hansen Shelter project is still fresh in memory and negative impact here. Briefly, we want three commitments expressly added to this proposal. 1) There will be a publicly posted distribution map, up for review and reworking, showing that proposed shelter/managed camp sites are evenly distributed among ALL communities of Portland and not concentrated on the Eastside. 2) The Emergency designation and rules are to be extended to implement this plan and no permanent code changes are made at this time. More public review is needed for permanent changes to be made. 3) a comprehensive enforcement plan is coupled specifically to this program whereby new managed shelter sites are established but unsanctioned camping sites are physically shut down , removed, cleaned up and then monitored so they can not be reestablished. This should be proven and reported on contemporaneously with the opening of new shelter sites. Along with these commitments we need to see what a comprehensive management plan entails and who, specifically, is responsible for its implementation and results.

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