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As you consider how to deal with Portland's homeless population, please make equitable choices for shelters and campsites. Just because East Portland has available space doesn't mean that ALL of our city shouldn't share the responsibilities. Please don't make permanent changes to the codes at this time. Let Title 15 expire so that random camping is no longer allowed and extend a new emergency declaration to allow these new codes to be enacted temporarily under the new emergency time frame (no longer than one year). An enforcement plan must be delineated and be expressly coupled to this action so that as new managed shelters are established, random camps are shut down, removed, cleaned up and then monitored so they can not reestablish. Don't let East Portland become a dumping ground!

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