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

Please do not create homeless camps in open and green spaces. This is terrible for everyone. How is this helpful to the homeless population to get out of their situation? They will be in harms way - more drugs, no safety, no infrastructure, no future. This is not a solutions oriented idea - this will create more problems. This is not good for the Portland population as a whole. Where can kids play safely? Where can Portlanders take respite? As a city we pride ourselves in our green spaces and open spaces - our lifeblood. Do not take this away. We need to invest in helping our homeless populations - they deserve a future. We all deserve better. Please.

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