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

Parks are not an appropriate location for homeless shelters. Our parks are too overburdened as it is and often contain delicate natural environments. The damage from this proposal could take years to mitigate. There is enough trash that is not being cleaned up in our parks. I see trash in natural areas that has accumulated for years. Industrial or certain commercial properties seem much more able to withstand the traffic and use from a homeless shelter. In addition, these properties have more room for support services.

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