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Testimony to the Planning and Sustainability Commission on the Floodplain Resilience Plan, Proposed Draft

Please adopt the entire Floodplain Resilience Plan to protect the Portland community from whatever impacts of climate change and extreme weather events possible. Clearly protecting water quality and wildlife habitat is essential for our continued coexistence. I ask this because it is both inconsistent and irresponsible not to adequately protect our floodplains (see Pakistan, Puerto Rico, and Vanport). We need a plan that increases protections for floodplains including serious mitigation with development - and puts the costs where they belong, on developers rather than a vulnerable community. Lastly, the City must adopt the ENTIRE PLAN. This means complete restoration of Title 24 protections; the City must also expedite floodplain protections on all industrial land. Anything less than this puts our communities in harm's way. Let's stop talking about climate resilience and DO something NOW.

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