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To the members of the Planning and Sustainability Commission:

I would like to forward a few comments about the Prime Industrial Lands overlay proposed for the Comprehensive Plan.

1. Update the ezone before or at the same time as the PI is applied. E zone updates been delayed too long and the delays have caused numerous conflicts, costs and confusions. Do it now. This broad (blanket) PI overlay should not be implemented before the ezone updates.
2. Neighborhoods and residents need clean air and water as much as jobs- in fact workers and their families cannot take and hold jobs if they are unhealthy. EQUITY for the environment and its functions and its protection is at least as important as "jobs". Both are infrastructure. Open space and green areas keep workers and families healthy.
3. I saw a presentation about PI jobs---- there were numerous shaky assumptions in that presentation. Both the types of jobs and the income earned in the Columbia Corridor were misrepresented. And the fact that many of the workers come from Clark County or elsewhere in Portland and the metro areas was not documented. It was disingenuous.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

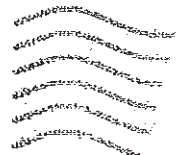


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