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

I'm writing because I'm concerned about edits to the Floodplain Protection Plan that's being discussed when the Planning & Sustainability Commission meets this evening. It is long overdue for the floodplain resilience plan to be fully adopted and implemented. We know the impacts that climate change has had on communities across America and, once upon a time, Portland was a city was a thought-leader in tackling environmental issues and creating policies for a sustainable future. I feel strongly that the amendment to title 24 be removed - creating an equal amount of new floodplain nearby is not an acceptable solution and this amendment removes one of the most crucial parts of the plan. Title 24 protections should remain intact. Developers should not be influencing our environmental policies resulting in negative impacts for both the people and wildlife in this city -- it is entirely irresponsible and short sighted to allow them to alter our policies to fit their self-serving demands. Please stand up for Portland and do the right thing. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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