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

Floodplain development puts our communities and environment at risk. The PSC should adopt the entire Floodplain Resistance Plan. It is inconsistent with the City's Climate Action Plan and Climate Emergency Work Plan to not adequately protect floodplains. We have known this for decades. Remember the tragic history of Vanport and the flooding we saw last spring. The Plan does not stop all development, but increases protections for floodplains and requires real mitigation. Portland must stand up for the greater good of its people and communities, not the profit of developers. Portland must adopt the whole plan, with the Title 24 amendments restored. And as soon as this plan is adopted, Portland must expedite developing flood plain protection on all industrial lands, which include some of our most important flood plains and bring increased environmental risk. Please protect our communities against the impacts of climate and extreme weather events. Please protect our water quality and provide habitat for fish and wildlife. Please adopt the entire Floodplain Resistance Plan.

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