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I am a recent transplant to Portland, originally from the southwest coast of Florida. My hometown in Florida, where my mom and sister still reside, was just decimated by Hurricane Ian, with flooding a major aspect of the damage. I am grateful my loved ones are okay, but saddened by so many in my childhood community displaced with destroyed flooded homes. Now, in Portland, I face an opportunity to ensure the protection of the local floodplain. I implore you to adopt the entire Floodplain Resilience Plan to protect our communities from climate and extreme weather disaster. It is irresponsible, not to mention inconsistent with the city's Climate Action and Climate Emergency Work Plans not to do so. Please do not bow to the whims of corporate industry. Please do your duty to this community and it's environments to protect it. Adopt the whole plan. Develop floodplain protection can cause. Please don't leave your community subject to corporate and commercial interest at the sake of safety and climate action, and disaster prevention and mitigation.

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