Dear Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission,

I am writing to express my disappointment to hear that once again, West Hayden Island is being threatened with development, with no accompanying requirements for the developers to mitigate the environmental and community impacts.

Please keep faith with the community and the public process by rejecting the West Hayden Island designations in the draft comp plan. Instead, I urge you to retain the current zoning designations OR designate it as open space.

The future of the city in part depends on our ability to maintain open natural spaces and not convert them to industrial use. If we find a need for more industrial land, Portland has more than 900 acres of brownfields that can and should be cleaned up and put to use.

Sincerely,

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