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To: Planning and Sustainability Commission; Hales, Mayor; Commissioner Novick; Commissioner Fritz; Commissioner Saltzman; Commissioner Fish **Subject:** City of Portland - Comprehensive Plan Hearing

To: Planning and Sustainability Commission, City of Portland, Oregon

c/o psc@portlandoregon.gov

Re: City's Draft Comprehensive Plan Hearing

cc: Mayor Hales

cc: City Councilors Novick, Fritz, Saltzman and Fish

Dear Commissioners,

In the City of Portland Draft Comprehensive Plan, it is imperative to protect -- not sacrifice - critical open space, fish and wildlife habitat and related environmental protections in the quest to provide industrial land over the next 20 years.

State Land Use Planning Goal 9 states, "The land conservation and development actions provided for by such plans should not exceed the carrying capacity of such resources."

Do not give industry a pass from regulatory protection to protect wildlife habitat and water quality on the Willamette and Columbia Rivers.

Do not destroy critical natural areas and open space on West Hayden Island and along the Columbia Slough.

I support the Audubon Strategy for Addressing Industrial Land Demand: <u>audubonportland.org/files/urban/11-point-plan/</u> and encourage the Planning and Sustainability Commission to follow its lead.

This plan addresses ways to provide industrial land by cleaning up existing contaminated brownfields and intensifying use of the existing industrial land base and other thoughtful strategies that can avoid degrading natural areas.

I would like to re-iterate Audubon Strategy Point 11: "If meeting industrial land deficiencies would undermine protection of critical natural resources and the health of our communities, then the City should seek a Goal 9 exception."

This plan is your legacy. Choose natural resource protection over environmental degradation.

Sincerely,

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