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Subject: Portland's Title 11 Sop Gap Measure

Dear Planning and Sustainability Commission,

I understand that today you are considering a stopgap proposal to help preserve more large and healthy trees by raising mitigation fees for developers. This temporary measure will be put in place until Title 11's preservation standards can be comprehensively reformed.

In neighborhoods across the city the loss of iconic mature trees, many of which without any mitigation, has shed light on the inadequacies of "Title 11", Portland's current tree code.

- Require inch-for-inch mitigation for cutting large, healthy trees ≥ 30 " diameter at breast height (dbh) in development and non-development situations.
- Require posting and a 30 day delay before any tree ≥ 30 " dbh is permitted to be cut.
- Remove the Title 11 exemptions for commercial and industrial lands.
- Delay consideration of the Bureau of Development Services' proposal until a more comprehensive reform process takes place.

Large mature, healthy trees provide many benefits to our neighborhoods including improved air and water quality, decreased urban heat island effect, increased biodiversity, and increased energy conservation.

Please use your leadership for the health of trees today.

Sincerely,

Dani Dennenberg