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## **Burlington Bottom**

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## Greetings

I listened to the last testimony. The NW Bike Alliance were on their game. They all pretty much said the same thing. They preached how wonderful it would be for the inner city youth to have a beautiful place to ride their bikes. I found their reasoning to be absurd. A mountain bike costs \$3K and up. What inner city youth can afford such an expensive toy. Burlington Bottom is not accessible by public transportation. The closest Trimet bus stop is at Sauvie Island. I can't imagine any parent wanting their child to ride out Hwy 30 to reach the bike park. With gas prices being what they are I find it hard to believe that parents are going to be hefty their children out there to ride bikes. Yet these are the heart felt reason given for the development of this wildlife piece of land. Gaslighting!!!!

Seriously if you want to do something noble for the Portland community of young people open the Columbia Park pool. A swim suit is by far cheaper than a mountain bike.

I sincerely think that the NW Bike Alliance spent a lot of time throwing out ideas to see what stick against the wall. When you hear the same rhetoric over and over you might just believe that it is a worthy endeavor. I think not Forest Park wants them out of the park. They are not good stewards of the land.

They are arrogant and subsequently have destroyed the park

Burlington Bottoms is in a wildlife corridor. It was purchased for conservation. Not to become a bike park at the whim of a group of bike enthusiasts

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