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## [Comprehensive Plan] Form submission from: Comprehensive Plan Planning Commission Comment Form

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Comments:

I was a volunteer involved with the master planning process for Metro's North Tualatin Mountain Project and also with several other public access projects providing connection to nature for the public. I have reviewed the Metro comment letter and support the changes and suggestions they have formally submitted.

The comp plan is intended to serve all residents of the county, not just rural. Residents of the rural areas should be accepting of city visitors accessing their spaces, just as city visitors embrace rural visitors to their spaces. This is what makes our communities healthy and equitable.

Recreational access is critical to meeting future growth and providing healthy opportunities for people to engage with nature nearby. This will help meet climate action plan goals and avoid sending thousands of people 60 or 100 miles away from Multnomah County for an activity that can be provided near their homes. The overall impact to fish/wildlife and humans will be much less when access to nature is provided locally.

I urge you to integrate the Metro comments submitted, and remember this planning effort encompasses many types of areas, habitats as well as potential uses now and into the future. Careful selection of terminology could avoid unintended consequences in the future to project county wide.

Thank you.

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