



Amended Version of Earlier Comments

1 message

Emily Hafer <emily.Hafer@ortrail.k12.or.us>
To: LUP-Comments@multco.us

Thu, Jun 29, 2023 at 1:21 PM



External Sender - Be Suspicious of Attachments, Links, and Requests for Payment or Login Information.

Hello,
Please accept the amended comments below as my final copy: (and amended letter attached)

June 29, 2023

Emily Hafer, [36225 SE Proctor Rd., Boring, OR, 97009, emily.hafer@ortrail.k12.or.us](mailto:emily.hafer@ortrail.k12.or.us)

RE: T3-2022-16220 Comments

Dear Land Use Officer,

As the principal of Oregon Trail Academy, I join in opposition with the superintendent and business manager of Oregon Trail School District (OTSD), the Gresham-Barlow School Board, Multnomah County Rural Fire Protection District #10, First Student Transportation, and the chief of the Gresham Fire Department, to ask you to deny the Land Use application currently on file from the Portland Water Bureau as they seek to build a water treatment facility less than a mile away from my school.

Oregon Trail Academy is a public school situated at the triple intersection of Proctor Road, 362nd Avenue, and Bluff Road. This is a complex intersection without a traffic signal. Bluff Road curves at the triple vertex, causing it to be a dangerous intersection. In just this year alone, the OTSD Facilities Department repaired the fence on our property twice due to cars running off the road at the curve. Imagine adding some of the 1,000 construction vehicle trips a DAY to this already-congested area. The picture is scary.

Both of the truck routes leaving Eagle Creek Rock Products (where the dirt removed from the project site will be deposited, as well as where trips hauling the new gravel may originate) pass by five other public schools and then funnel directly onto the triple intersection in front of our school. The students and teachers at OTA will bear the brunt of the noise, dust, and emissions from some or all of these 307,000 truck loads over the course of the next four years, according to PWB's recent Construction Traffic Impact Analysis. Doing the math: assuming the extreme, and working five days a week for four years: 1,000 daily trucks, divided by a 10 hour day, equates to 100 loads an hour, or almost two heavy trucks on the nearby roads EVERY MINUTE. There would be no part of the learning day where students would have quiet.

This is not an issue of annoyance for a mere four years during the construction phase. If PWB is granted their permit, and the water treatment facility begins operation, Oregon Trail Academy would forever be bombarded by heavy truck noise, dust, emissions, and distraction as PWB uses and maintains their facility.

Please deny PWB's land use application in honor of student safety. The project is reckless and needs to find a new parcel of land.

Respectfully submitted, Emily Hafer, OTA Principal

On Thu, Jun 29, 2023 at 9:25 AM Emily Hafer <emily.Hafer@ortrail.k12.or.us> wrote:
Please find a letter attached.

Thank you for your time,
Emily Hafer | Interim Director



Oregon Trail Academy
[36225 SE Proctor Rd., Boring, OR 97009](https://www.ortrail.k12.or.us)
(503) 668-5521



Letter to Land Use Officer Water Treatment Plant_ Final Copy.pdf

123K