



## Please reject: PWB land use application

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Hello,

Please reject the Portland Water Bureau's (PWB) application to use the land off Carpenter Lane for their \$2 billion plus project.

It has been proven there are not sufficient safety measures in place to protect our community, specifically our school children, to be able to handle such a massively invasive project. Both the school board and the fire departments are NOT in favor of the project. This is because they understand the impact on police and fire to be able to respond in a timely manner to the community. Our roads are not made to handle the hundreds of trucks that will be using the roads for years on end. My family and I have lived in the specific area for over 5 years and have seen countless accidents with semi-trucks making unsafe turns and tearing up the asphalt in the area in which the project is planned (and it's proposed traffic patterns). The community's roads and infrastructure does not support increasing truck traffic. The risk to the community is real and evidence-based.

We frequently walk with our children on Carpenter Lane and enjoy the beauty of living in the country. This PWB project will ruin this beautiful area and drive out the wildlife, as well as making it unsafe for my family and I to enjoy our beautiful community.

In a time in when public trust in government is continuing to decline (at the local, state, and national level), this is an opportunity to demonstrate our community leaders sincerely value doing what's best for the community. Leading is about serving and doing what's best for the community. Not continuing to drive through an application and project whose costs continue to sky rocket. There are less expensive and invasive options to accomplish the same purpose PWB wants to accomplish. How can it be proven this is the best option from an economic, environmental, community, and public good and public trust perspective? It can't be reasonably proven when the whole picture and full evidence is weighed and considered. Is it best for the City of Portland to spend *billions* of dollars when a less expensive and less invasive solution would accomplish the same thing? Is spending this amount of money and negatively impacting the community life and live ability of the area truly stewarding the public's resources well?

The same organization(s) that are proposing the application and who are insisting it happen (and happen quickly!) . . . are the same organization(s) whose proposed project is already running significantly over budget. Why should we trust their estimates that the project will have a low impact on the community? Their estimates have already been proven inaccurate. We all know the Portland community has been struggling, as the homelessness crisis illustrates. Why should the leaders who have mismanaged public trust now be allowed to have a mismanagement impact on a community outside of Portland? How is that just and for the good of all people?

Please say NO to this land use application. This project does not line up with the values of the community that it will negatively impact. In fact, I'd argue it doesn't line up with the best values of the people of Portland either from a financial, environmental, and community perspective. The project would put the safety of the community at great risk. Please listen and consider the voices of the people who actually live in the potentially impacted area.

Thank for listening and considering.

Respectfully,

Mike Dahl

Sent from my iPhone