

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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Measure Argument for County Voters' Pamphlet

Primary Election 2014 General Election 20__ Special Election _____ (date)

Measure No.: 26-156

Argument in Favor
 Argument in Opposition

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City Club of Portland recommends NO on Measure 26-156

No evidence suggests measure would lower sewer and water rates.

Changes are needed in oversight of city bureaus, but this is not the solution.

City Club's research committee, including members experienced in utility management and water issues, spent seven months studying 1) management of Portland's water and sewer bureaus, 2) how budgets and rates are set, and 3) whether Measure 26-156 is a good idea.

City Club members have voted, and overwhelmingly agree:

- Measure 26-156 is poorly structured and unlikely to survive legal challenges. Some provisions make no sense.
- It won't lower rates. In fact, rates are likely to rise, regardless of governance structure. Portland must continue to replace its aging infrastructure and comply with federal regulations.
- Portland citizens should vote NO.

Still, we don't support the status quo. We share citizens' frustrations with improper use of ratepayer funds.

City Club recommends creating an appointed Portland Water and Sewer Authority, within the structure of City government, that would provide independent management and oversight of the bureaus. The Authority board - experienced in utility finance, engineering and other relevant fields - would set rates and propose budgets to City Council. City Council would set policy for the bureaus and approve overall budgets, but would not be allowed to shift ratepayer dollars to unrelated expenses.

We believe these changes will help take politics out of utility management without ~~creating~~ ~~another~~ ~~branch~~ ~~of~~ ~~local~~ ~~government~~ with another elected board.

Vote NO.

Then join us in pressing City Council to make significant, sensible changes to improve oversight of our sewer and water bureaus.

Visit pdxcityclub.org to read the full report and recommendations.

City Club of Portland is a nonprofit, nonpartisan civic organization committed to making a positive difference in our community. Members encompass all ages and come from a wide range of ethnic, racial and religious backgrounds. Membership is open to all.

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The **Pacific Green Party** opposes this measure.

When the measure was proposed, ^{keep} Pacific Green Party policy analysts pored over ^{it} the ~~measure~~ closely and offered feedback before the ballot-qualified version was submitted. We demonstrated major problems in the language that should be corrected:

- The independently-elected City Auditor would be explicitly **stripped** of the **Charter mandate** to audit the City's utilities.
- The district election process would be in extremely **low turnout elections** and would bias against environmentalist areas of the city by aggregating them together.
- The redistricting process would be vulnerable to **gerrymandering**, being done by the board itself.
- **Barring publicly involved citizens** on the proposed Board to control the Water Bureau and Bureau of Environmental Services regardless of real conflicts of interest would keep out active citizens most concerned about water issues.
- Conflicts of interest regarding **large corporate donations** would be allowed.
- Not paying compensation to elected Board members would ensure **few qualified people** would desire to serve. Note that the Portland City Charter, which would apply to this Board, bars an elected officer from holding another job while serving.
- **Corporations would be encoded in the Charter** with additional language granting them assurance that, as ratepayers, they would not have to pay for forward-thinking and cheaper stormwater management such as bioswales.
- The mandate to use Portland Public School Boundaries would **disenfranchise much of East Portland**.
- There are **no enforcement mechanisms**, nor definitions for anti-"commingling" and "protections" for the Bull Run Watershed, and **no protections whatsoever** for the watershed inside city boundaries.

None of our issues were corrected in the final draft because it is backed by **large industrial water wasters and polluters**. We've been advocating for much-needed election and campaign finance reform for decades, but this measure is **NOT** legitimate **NOR** effective environmental reform.

Simultaneously, our policy analysts were creating an **alternative proposal** on which we are now collecting signatures for the November general election:

peopleswatertrust.org

portlandgreens.org

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Statement(s) of Endorsement? NO YES # _____

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Oregon Progressive Party urges NO on the Corporate Takeover of Portland's Water and Sewer System

For 27 years, I have been in the forefront of creating new electric and water cooperatives and public districts in Oregon. I oppose this measure.

This measure is a corporate takeover of the City's water and sewer systems, under a misleading cloak of populist rhetoric.

This measure would graft onto the Portland water and sewer systems a 7-person board of directors, elected with unlimited campaign contributions and expenditures. I would expect the big commercial and industrial water users to select their candidates and overwhelm the voters with political ads.

So far their effort has been funded 99.4% by big corporate water users and water polluters and their lawyers. See <http://tinyurl.com/waterdistbackers>.

The measure would prohibit nearly anyone with Portland water or sewer experience from serving on the board, clearing the field for the big money candidates.

The resulting corporate-dominated board would have less concern for the environment and residential ratepayers. Portland's overall progressive voters ensure that the Portland City Council, which now controls the system, has a generally pro-environment, pro-consumer outlook.

But a board elected from gerrymandered districts, solely on the basis of water and sewer issues and without limits on political spending, would likely:

- (1) gut expenditures necessary for environmental protection, and
- (2) increase rates for residential customers in order to decrease rates for the largest customers.

Big water users are already suing the City to halt environmental protection efforts.

The attorney for the measure backers is John DiLorenzo, who for decades has led the charge in challenging campaign finance reform laws.

There are some policy statements in the measure, like very vague (and unenforceable) prohibitions on "regionalization" (not defined) and on regulations allowing greater harm to Bull Run Watershed. But the measure leaves out protecting the environmental regulations governing all other parts of the water and sewer system.

Dan Meek

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Measure No.: 260-156 Argument in Favor
 Argument in Opposition

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Statement(s) of Endorsement? NO YES # _____

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Written by a special interest lobbyist and funded by his corporate polluter and large industrial water user clients, 26-156 is wrong for Portland. The measure does NOTHING to lower our rates, prohibits anyone with any experience in water or sewer management from serving on the board that it creates, and threatens our most critical environmental programs.

We're voting No on 26-156:

Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens

Oregon Environmental Council	Elders in Action Commission
Oregon League of Conservation Voters	Sierra Club
Audubon Society of Portland	Friends of Zenger Farm
Oregon AFL-CIO	Depave
Oregon Consumer League	Urban Greenspaces Institute
Oregon Nurses Association	Food and Water Watch
Willamette Riverkeeper	Friends of Gateway Green
WaterWatch of Oregon	Verde
Northwest Oregon Labor Council	Bark
LIUNA (Laborers) Local 483	Sandy River Basin Watershed Council
Lents Neighborhood Association	Oregon Progressive Party
Friends of Trees	IBEW Local 48
Trust for Public Land	Climate Solutions
Coalition for a Livable Future	Oregon Wild

Pacific Green Party

Portland Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 43
District Council of Trade Unions- City of Portland
AFSCME Locals 88, 189, 328, 3135, 3336, 3580, 3580-1
Professional and Technical Employees Local 17, COPPEA Chapter
Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council

Partial list. For a complete list, please go to www.StoptheBullRunTakeover.com

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Measure No.: **26-156**

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Statement(s) of Endorsement? NO YES # _____

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THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF PORTLAND URGES A "NO" VOTE.

- This measure does NOT promise lower water and sewer rates.
- It creates a **powerful new layer of government** exempt from oversight by the independently elected City Auditor and the City Council.
- **Thousands of Portland citizens** who understand water, sewer and environmental issues **wouldn't be allowed to serve on the board.**
 - The measure disqualifies anyone who, during the past six years, was an employee of the City or of any firm that contracted with the City on matters related to water and sewer services.
 - It even disqualifies volunteers who served on budget advisory committees.
- This carelessly designed measure raises troubling questions about how the new board would be elected and the district governed:
 - As this measure is written, some citizens in East Portland would not be able to vote for a board member. **What would be necessary to correct the election districts** described in the measure, so that all Portland citizens could vote for the board and be represented?
 - Since the board and its employees **cannot be investigated** by the City Council, and the board chooses its own auditor, **who would provide effective independent oversight of the district's operations and spending?**
 - Did the measure's sponsors neglect to read Section 2-204 of the City Charter that would prevent members of this unpaid board, as "elective officers" of the City, from holding any other "position of profit" and pursuing "any other business or vocation"? **How many potential board members would this eliminate?**
 - Would the new board's power to direct the issuance of bonds without approval of the City Council lower the City's bond rating—making other city projects more expensive?
 - How would the new district interact with other city bureaus to carry out projects that need coordination?

THIS MEASURE WOULD CREATE MORE PROBLEMS THAN IT WOULD SOLVE.

PLEASE VOTE "NO"!

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Measure No.: 20-156 Argument in Favor
 Argument in Opposition

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To see a complete list, read what other Democratic leaders are saying, and learn more about Democrats United Against Measure 26-156, go to www.StoptheBullRunTakeover.com and visit the Democrats Say No page.

Democrats Say No To Measure 26-156

"I believe strongly that Measure 26-156 is wrong for Portland families and citizens. This take-over of our city's water is led by corporate lawyers and huge water users. It is a damaging blow to our environment, our water quality, and protection of this vital natural legacy."

Governor Barbara Roberts

"This is a measure that is designed to help a few narrow interests instead of Portlanders' interests. Voting No is the way to protect our water, our environment and our families."

Earl Blumenauer
Democratic Congressman, 3rd District

Democratic leaders from across Portland are united in saying No to Measure 26-156. **Join Barbara Roberts, Earl Blumenauer and other Democratic leaders in opposing this attempt by corporate polluters to take control of our water system.**

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Measure No.: 26-152 Argument in Favor
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Audubon Society of Portland urges you to vote NO on Measure 26-156

As an organization that has fought to protect the health of Portland's environment and communities for more than a century, we urge you to **VOTE NO** on Ballot Measure 26-156.

Measure 26-156 is an industry-financed attack on Portland's most important environmental programs. The industry lobbyists and lawyers who wrote the measure have tried unsuccessfully for years to dismantle Portland's innovative, nationally recognized, environmental programs--programs that keep our water clean and our urban watersheds healthy. Now they are trying to transfer control of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services and Water Bureau, and more than \$15 billion in public assets including our precious Bull Run, to a new unproven board that is inexperienced and much more susceptible to their corporate influence.

If you care about clean water, Please Vote NO! The backers of this initiative have argued that our most important environmental programs to protect our water, including programs to force corporate polluters to clean-up their contaminated sites, that protect our creeks, rivers and floodplains, and to plant trees in our neighborhoods, should be eliminated.

If you care about, government accountability, Please Vote NO! This initiative does **NOTHING** to lower rates. It will likely significantly increase ratepayer costs by jeopardizing the City's excellent bond rating, creating a duplicative governmental entity, and eliminating oversight of the city auditor of these bureaus. The new district will be **LESS ACCOUNTABLE** and **LESS ACCESSIBLE** to the public and more susceptible to their big corporate money and their big corporate influence.

Make no mistake, this initiative is not reform, it is a corporate takeover of our water systems.

Please protect the health of our water, our environment and our communities. Audubon Society of Portland urges you to please vote no on Measure 26-156!

Meryl Redisch, Executive Director,

Bob Sallinger, Conservation Director

Jim Labbe, Urban Conservationist

Audubon Society of Portland

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Measure No.: 26e-156
 Argument in Favor
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**Vote NO on Measure 26-156
STOP THE BULL RUN TAKEOVER**

As Portland Fire Fighters, we pride ourselves on being guardians of the City. Whether it's saving lives and property from the devastation of fire or being rapid responders to medical emergencies, we have based our lives on giving back to our community.

Measure 26-156 flies in the face of our values. It's an effort to take control of our water supply, our sewer system, our world-renowned system of environmental protections and more than \$15 billion of City assets. Why? **So that a small group of large industrial water users can shift their costs on to Portland taxpayers.**

This measure would likely result in mass layoffs of hard working Portlanders who go to work every day to keep our water safe and clean, putting their families- and ours- in jeopardy. And while the proponents claim that they can lower your water and sewer rates, read the fine print: there is no guarantee of any rate reductions. In fact, there is a strong likelihood that rates would go up for the average user, while going down for the largest users.

Were Measure 26-156 to pass the Fire Bureau and other bureaus that provide vital city services would likely face budget cuts. In our case that will make it even harder for us to perform an already tough job, saving lives and keeping our City safer.

Join us, your neighborhood Fire Fighters, in voting NO on Measure 26-156.

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Amended Argument

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OREGON NURSES ASSOCIATION

As a public health nurse, my colleagues and I are devoted to the health and well-being of our community. That is why Oregon Nurses are voting NO on Measure 26-156, and asking you to join us in rejecting this risky, poorly written attempt to take control of Portland's water supply.

Public Health Is At Stake

Few things are as critical to a community's health as access to clean, fresh, and safe drinking water – it is one of our most valuable commodities as a city. We are lucky in Portland to have some of the cleanest and best water in the country, but this measure puts our water at risk.

By specifically prohibiting anyone with experience in working with our water system from serving on this board, this measure puts our drinking water in the hands of first time politicians with NO experience in running a very complicated utility system – one that is vital to our public health, both as individuals and as a community.

Our Environment Is At Stake

Also vital to our health as a city, and crucial to our quality of life, is our environment. By putting the Bureau of Environmental Services under the control of a new and inexperienced board, Measure 26-156 threatens the funding for and existence of some of our most important green infrastructure and environmental protection programs that help keep our communities healthy.

Vote No

Nurses work every day with the most vulnerable members of our community, people who would be dramatically impacted if there is a cost shift for paying for water from the large industrial users who use most of the water, to the smaller residential customers. There is no system built into Measure 26-156 to guarantee lower rates for consumers.

The public health and environmental implications of this proposal have risks for the entire community.

Please join Oregon Nurses in voting NO on Measure 26-156.

Anna Stiefvater, RN
Public Health Nurse
Oregon Nurses Association

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Sierra Club: Vote No

Nothing is more vital than our water. This initiative is a destructive, deceptive, and misguided attempt at a greedy corporate takeover.

Destructive because:

- It excludes our Auditor from financial oversight. This is outrageously irresponsible.
- It excludes East Portland residents from voting for the board. This is incredibly incompetent, and undoubtedly unconstitutional.
- It transfers \$15 Billion in assets to an unpaid, non-professional board, prohibited from having prior management and work experience in our own water, sewer, and stormwater systems. This is a recipe for fiscal, policy, and functional disaster.

Deceptive because:

- It implies that rates can go down under this scheme. But that could only happen if the board slashes our fundamental water, sewer, and stormwater protections – destroying the very system they claim to protect.
- It also claims to eliminate conflicts of interest. But it only prevents participation by people who know what they are doing – leaving the door wide open to corporate special interests and big-money campaigns.

Misguided because:

- Many of us, justifiably and sincerely upset by the City's recent financial and policy mismanagement, may think this scheme will solve that. It won't. Instead, it will lead to a few major corporations reducing their costs at our expense, while we lose water protections.
- Many of us, struggling or limited financially, may think this scheme will stop rising bills. It won't. Instead, we will see destructive policies reducing water quality, system maintenance, and environmental safety.

Let's be clear: We too are deeply unhappy with the City treating utilities as piggybanks for pet projects. This has to stop. We've disagreed with City leaders before, and we will not hesitate whenever that's necessary.

But new Council leadership has made important progress, and we strongly support that.

This initiative is deeply flawed and would be a major mistake.

Please vote no.

Ted Gleichman, Chair, Columbia Group, Oregon Sierra Club

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The Oregon Consumer League has fought corporate domination for nearly 40 years.

One egregious corporate rip-off is using natural resources the public owns. They turn our public resources into a money-making racket that profits the owners.

Now corporations want to control Portland's water supply, as they are doing in several states and two Canadian provinces.

Because we take our roles as watchdogs seriously, we looked into Ballot Measure 26-156's claims that its' passage would save ratepayers money.

Our findings: it won't. And we don't like it.

This troubling ballot measure has NOT ONE GUARANTEE that rates will go down. It does establish a new layer of government, one that will be filled with inexperienced politicians making serious decisions that will affect you, me and our water system.

What's worse, the way the measure is written means that a large part of the City—East Portland—won't even have a voice in who serves on this board. As an organization that fights to make sure all voices are heard, this lack of representation seems downright undemocratic.

Maybe the Portland City Council hasn't hit a home run managing the water supply. But they aren't lining their pockets with profits from the public's water. Unlike the corporations, they aren't trying to monopolize the city water supply and using the money to enrich their friends. The City government is chosen by a vote of the people.

Who would stand to benefit from this measure? Just look who is behind it: A handful of large industrial water users and their lobbyist. We're not convinced they have the average consumer's best interest at heart.

It's time for all of us to tell these corporations to keep their hands off our water supply (and the groundwater, the air we breathe, the airwaves).

There's a lot not to like about 26-156. Vote NO on this corporate takeover.

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The Oregon League of Conservation Voters, a non-partisan political voice for thousands of Oregonians who care about our environment, asks that you to join us in voting NO on Measure 26.

Measure 26 is being led and funded by a coalition of industrial water users that want to weaken environmental protection, not lower your rates. More than 90% of the funding raised to date has come from 5 large corporations. Some of the same backers have sued the City claiming that important programs for tree planting, superfund clean-up, and water shed protection are illegal.

Measure 26 would prohibit those with the most expertise from serving on the newly formed board. A poorly written conflict of interest provision would disqualify many of Portland's most knowledgeable people from service, particularly those with an expertise in water policy. It doesn't make sense that anyone would want to trust our water quality to anyone but the most qualified individuals.

Measure 26 fails to include much of East Portland in the new voting districts that would elect the new Water District Commissioners. That's about 20% of Portland water users who aren't included – and who the backers weren't planning to include. This measure should have never gone forward with this flaw.

Portland has been a leader in moving away from pipe-based stormwater strategies to more sustainable strategies such as planting trees, building greenstreets and protecting flood areas and stream corridors to address storm runoff. These efforts have improved our environment, created jobs, increased neighborhood livability, and saved the City tens of millions of dollars.

That is why OLCV is urging all of our members and all Portland voters to vote NO on the measure...

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Measure No.: 26-152

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We the undersigned East Portland community leaders urge a no vote on BM 26-156 because:

1. **Lack of Voice for East Portland:** In certifying the 26-156 ballot title, Multnomah County Judge Leslie Roberts determined the proposed Water District would leave areas outside Portland Public School District - including most East Portland neighborhoods-unrepresented. Judge Roberts wrote: "There is a serious issue about what would be the result of the large area of the city not within the Portland School District... whether it is the exclusion of those areas from the District, or whether it is the abandonment altogether of the zones as described in the measure." *Certification of Ballot Case No. 1308-12012 and 1308-12024*, 10/7/2013.
2. **Less Equity for East Portland:** East Portland residents have made considerable progress through the East Portland Action Plan in compelling the City Bureaus and City Auditor to track whether East Portland neighborhoods get an equitable share of services and capital improvements. Creating a Water District outside the review of the City Auditor would reduce this accountability to East Portland.
3. **Voting Restrictions:** BM 26-156 would restrict who Portlanders can elect to represent them in water-related issues, including law-abiding citizens who have volunteered their time on city oversight committees. These are precisely the informed citizens Portlanders should want to represent them.

This measure inserts anti-democratic provisions into the City Charter reducing government representation, transparency and accountability, especially for East Portland.

The following East Portland leaders urge you to vote no on BM 26-156.

Tom Lewis, Rockwood Water PUD Board Member
Linda Robinson, East Portland Advocate
Jesse Cornett, Lents Neighborhood Association
Jeremy O'Leary, Centennial Neighborhood resident
Richard Dickinson, Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood resident
Mike Vander Veen, co-chair EPAP
Jean Demaster, Human Solutions
Nick Sauvie, Executive Director ROSE CDC
Frieda J. Christopher, Hazelwood Resident
Paul Grosjean, Pleasant Valley Neighborhood Association
Lori Boisen, Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood resident
Gladys Ruiz, Audubon Society of Portland
Arlene Kimura, EPAP co-chair
Annette Mattson, Zenger Farm
David Porter

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We are workers- some of us pave Portland's streets and keep our parks maintained. Some of us have jobs ensuring our rivers are clean and our wildlife is protected. We are your neighbors, your family, your friends. And whether we belong to a trade union or work for an environmental organization, one thing is clear- we are all Portland.

And Portland is under attack by a few large corporate polluters looking to escape their responsibility and pass it on to you.

We live and work in a city that prides itself on progressive values, on helping each other out rather than tearing each other apart. We cherish our rivers, our forests, our natural heritage and do so in a way that still allows us to build our economy and lead a remarkable quality of life. Measure 26-156 threatens that quality of life by allowing a new layer of governance to cut down our trees, tear up our streets and dig up our parks without any public process or independent oversight. Why? To foist the bill for years of toxic polluting in our river on to you.

We are Portland, and so are you. So join us- your neighbors, family and friends- in saying NO to Measure 26-156.

Oregon Environmental Council
AFL-CIO
Climate Solutions
LIUNA (Laborers) Local 483
BARK
Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council
Verde
IBEW # 48
The Trust for Public Land

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Dear Voter,

Measure 26-156 simply does not make sense for our City. If this measure is passed, it could have a real impact on the City of Portland's ability to provide clean drinking water, and to protect our Willamette River from pollution. The polluters behind this initiative have little reason to try to protect our river, but every reason to protect their own bottom line by getting out of their Superfund cleanup responsibilities.

Some people don't know about the work the City has done to comply with the federally-mandated Clean Water Act, which ensures our drinking water doesn't make us sick, and the Endangered Species Act, which helps restore habitat for fish and birds. Raw sewage often used to run into the Willamette River during heavy rain. But thanks to the Big Pipe, that is a very rare occurrence. I, for one, would rather see wildlife than sewage in our beautiful river. Green infrastructure programs such as green streets prevent dirty, foul water from flooding basements and help clean runoff before it joins with waste from our households.

We are rightly known as a green city, and one that cares deeply about the environment we live in and that we will leave as a legacy to our children and our children's children. As a Portland resident, and one who works to protect and restore the Willamette and its tributaries, I can see that passing this corporate backed measure would set us back years, environmentally. It's not the legacy I want to leave behind.

Vote no on Measure 26-156. We don't need big business controlling our water, sewers and rivers.

Travis Williams
Riverkeeper and Executive Director of Willamette Riverkeeper

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The Urban Greenspaces Institute urges a **NO** vote on Measure 26-156

It will:

- Lead to decreased water quality in our streams and rivers
- Eliminate the city's efforts to recover salmon in Johnson Creek, the Willamette River and other city waterways
- Eliminate fish and wildlife habitat protection and restoration
- Eliminate the city's efforts to remove invasive species in Forest Park, Oaks Bottom Wildlife Refuge, Powell Butte, Smith and Bybee Lakes and other city natural areas
- Eliminate the city's tree planting programs

Measure 26-156 would eliminate the city's Bureau of Environmental Services (BES). The measure's language is misleading. BES is no longer a "sewer bureau." Thanks to the public's insistence that the city improve environmental quality in the Willamette River and its tributaries, the bureau has transitioned from its former role as the city's "sewer bureau" to become a broader human health, watershed health, and environmental bureau.

Backers of Ballot Measure 26-156 have two goals in mind: 1). Reduce utility rates for some of the city's biggest corporate polluters and shift those costs to individual rate payers; and 2). Eliminate the city's environmental programs.

You should know that Measure 26-156:

- Was written by and is backed by some of the city's worst polluters
- Puts our water and watershed health programs in the hands of people with little or no experience
- Creates another layer of costly bureaucracy and will do nothing to reduce your utility rates.

If you:

- Care about the city's environment
- Support the city's successful removal of raw sewage from the Willamette River and Columbia Slough

- Support significant improvements in water quality and flood reduction in Johnson Creek
- Agree with the city's efforts to restore salmon habitat in the Willamette and its tributaries
- Support the city's efforts to respond to climate change

You will **vote no** and **reject** Measure 26-156's attack on the city's water quality, fish and wildlife habitat and healthy watersheds

Mike Houck, Executive Director
Urban Greenspaces Institute

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156 Argument in Favor
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Portland citizens have a history of setting a high standard for their public water system. As one of the first communities to succeed in protecting its drinking watershed to ensure access to affordable clean safe drinking water in perpetuity, we have always been visionaries.

Portland has become a national and international food mecca- our local fish and fresh produce in the hands of talented chefs make us truly worthy of such attention. And they both start with one essential ingredient: our pristine water. Our rivers, creeks and streams have largely survived generations of industry and expansion, allowing us to eat well and safely.

Measure 26-156 attacks us right in Portland's breadbasket by putting our water at risk. Leaving our complex water system in the hands of an inexperienced new district could be a recipe for disaster.

It's telling that the proponents of Measure 26-156 represent a small group of industrial water users and polluters, perhaps looking to escape potential liability for polluting our rivers. Measure 26-156, were it to pass, would allow the newly created district to opt out of ratepayer contributions to Superfund program, meaning that large, corporate polluters would not pay their fair share. Instead, the city's general fund would be on the hook, making Portland taxpayers, not the polluters, responsible for cleaning up our rivers.

We at Food & Water Watch care deeply about the integrity of our public water. Join us to vote NO on Measure 26-156 and help us protect our food, our water and our legacy.

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The Professional and Technical Employees Local 17 urges you to vote "NO" on Ballot Measure 26-156.

Our 300 members who work in the Bureau of Environmental Services and the Water Bureau provide innovative, cost effective, and green services that help make Portland a leader amongst utility providers nationwide:

- Botanists coordinate re-vegetation and invasive species removal programs in Portland's watersheds, which protects our water and environmental quality while managing runoff and storm water.
- Engineers, ecologists, planners, and hydrologists have been instrumental within innovative Watershed Services programs, including the "Grey to Green" initiative, which have saved ratepayer's money while providing habitat and green spaces across Portland.
- Watershed restoration and pollution prevention programs led by environmental technicians, field scientists and environmental program coordinators have steadily improved the water quality of our rivers, creeks, and streams.

These highly-skilled professional public employees are an asset to the City of Portland's environmental quality, and the programs they coordinate are known throughout the country. However, these same programs are at risk. Ballot Measure 26-156 would allow an inexperienced group of utility managers to do away with great swaths of the Bureau of Environmental Services and Water Bureau if activities are deemed "non-essential" to operations. However, we know from decades of experience that these programs and services **are vital to maintaining Portland's unique environment and water quality, and that hasty decisions to cut services would result in higher rates in the long-term.**

Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services and Water Bureau are award-winning national leaders in innovation, providing clean water in our faucets and rivers, while restoring and enhancing the environment in our neighborhoods.

We hope that you will stand behind the hundreds of skilled, highly trained, and experienced employees who work every day to make Portland the best city in the world to live in. Please join us in VOTING NO.

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The undersigned community leaders urge a no vote on Ballot Measure 26-156

Community greening efforts like tree planting, rain gardens, green space preservation, and removal of under-utilized pavement safeguard clean water, revitalize our communities, and protect public investments in our storm drain network.

Initiative proponents have mistakenly characterized these efforts as examples of “pet projects” and government waste. Numerous studies confirm the cost- and environmental-effectiveness of these green solutions, which save ratepayers money over the long-term. For most community greening projects, each ratepayer dollar is matched with \$2-4 of nonprofit and/or volunteer resources, stretching our public dollars farther.

Please vote no on Ballot Measure 26-156.

Carl Axelsen, Arnold Creek Neighborhood
Maria Cahill, Green Girl Land Development Solutions LLC
Ron Carley, Westmoreland Neighborhood
Scott Fogarty, Friends of Trees
Angela Goldsmith
Ted Labbe, Depave
Joseph Purkey, Convergence Architecture
Barbara Quinn, Friends of Baltimore Woods Board
Kelly Rodgers, Confluence Planning
Noelle Studer-Spevak, Cully Neighborhood
Eli Spevak, Orange Splott LLC

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Measure No.: 26-156
 Argument in Favor
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AFSCME Statement:

The Men and Women that protect the quality of your water oppose Measure 26-156.

AFSCME represents the workers at the Portland Water Bureau working on the frontlines to make sure your water is safe. We also represent the workers at the Department of Environmental Quality who test our water and work to keep it clean. Both of these groups believe that this measure is a bad idea. It will move control of Portland's water to a new organization with a board comprised of people forbidden from having experience working with Portland's water. That makes no sense to us.

Lobbyists and a handful of big water users are not the people we want making water policy for the city of Portland. Our members who keep your water safe everyday would be banned from the board even after retirement but a paid lobbyist for the largest water users in the city would be able to get elected. Whose interest do you think that person would represent? This measure is a move by a few to take over the City's water and make it work for them. It's not for regular rate payers and voters like the rest of us. We need to say no and work on solutions that work for the majority and not for a few.

AFSCME believes it is not true that rates for regular users will go down. We think that the rates will go down for the biggest water users and regular folk will have to pick up the rest. We don't know that, but no one knows for sure and that is also part of the problem. There are no guarantees with this measure and a great many questions. We need to work together for a solution not put a measure full of unintended consequences on the ballot.

The people that keep your water safe ask you to please vote No on Measure 26-156.

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As your elected Portland City Council, we urge you to vote NO on Measure 26-156.

We welcome discussion on the functions of Portland's utility bureaus, and ideas on how to make them work better. Measure 26-156's purpose, however, is to lower the utility bills of a very small group of corporate polluters, at the expense of Portland residents. It is an extreme and dangerous measure that is not in the interest of Portland residents.

City water and environmental services bureaus perform vital city functions like ensuring clean, safe water comes out of your tap; making certain that our roads don't flood; and keeping our rivers free of sewage. They are complicated, forward-looking systems, providing innovative technologies in the most cost-effective way for ratepayers.

Measure 26-156 could threaten our water quality, our street trees, our parks, our City general fund budget. It could affect Fire & Rescue and Police services and our safety. It would likely add cost, complexity and huge delays to businesses seeking to build in Portland, at a time when working families are finally beginning to get back on their feet. And it would result in years of expensive lawsuits due to the shoddy drafting of the measure.

Every Portlander should have equal opportunity to affect public policy and wise investment of ratepayers' money, but based on the language of the measure, only people in the Portland Public school district can vote for directors of the new district; people in Parkrose, David Douglas, Reynolds and Centennial can't vote.

Your City Council will continue to provide safe and clean water and environmental services to you at the lowest responsible cost, and will work with you to make necessary changes in accountability and cost-effectiveness. Don't let in an extreme new layer of government that could do irreversible and significant harm to our city.

Please vote NO on Measure 26-156.

Mayor Charlie Hales
Commissioner Nick Fish
Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Commissioner Steve Novick
Commissioner Dan Saltzman

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Measure No.: 26-156 Argument in Favor
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OREGON STATE COUNCIL FOR RETIRED CITIZENS SAYS NO TO 26-156!

Since 1969, the Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens has been the foremost grassroots senior advocacy group in the state. OSCRC has long been devoted to legislative and consumer issues that promote a life of opportunity, equity and dignity for people of all ages.

We make a real difference in the lives of disadvantaged populations in Oregon. We've defeated attempts to cut in-home and community based long-term care services. We've protected low-income access to prescription drugs. Most importantly, we've fought utility rate increases.

We work for the rights of senior citizens, because we know what it's like to live on a fixed income.

The "yes" side to this dangerous measure claim that they only have ratepayers interests in mind, but we've read the fine print. This measure does not guarantee rate reductions for anyone. It just creates a new, expensive layer of government. And it makes it easier to allow a few industrial water users to lower their costs, while **sticking the rest of us with the bill.**

It just doesn't seem right.

The Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens is watching closely to make sure past issues are being addressed and that seniors and low-income people are protected. We can't place our future in the hands of an inexperienced board with very little transparency.

This measure won't solve anything. **If anything, this measure creates a lot more problems** for ratepayers. Vote no. We are.

**The Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens urges you to
VOTE NO on 26-156!**

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Argument in Favor
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WaterWatch of Oregon's Ballot Pamphlet Statement on Measure 25-156

WaterWatch of Oregon strongly opposes Measure 25-156.

When weighing your vote, please consider:

1. Measure 25-156 would result in the elimination of valuable City programs that protect our local waters and benefit local fish and wildlife. Protecting and restoring our local waterways benefits all Portland residents, and we shouldn't be gutting these important programs.
2. The initiative is an effort by large corporations – including large industrial water users – to dictate the management of Portland's public water system. We shouldn't allow this. Many of the corporations backing Measure 25-156 have liability for polluting Portland Harbor. These corporations could use the new water Commission created by this initiative to unfairly push the costs for harbor cleanup onto Portland taxpayers.
3. Measure 25-156 bans individuals with experience in local water management issues from serving on the new water Commission. Language in the initiative expressly disqualifies people from serving on the Commission who have worked for, or are under contract with, Portland's Water Bureau. Preventing people with knowledge of our water system from serving on the Commission is counterproductive and makes no sense.

Since 1985, WaterWatch of Oregon has worked to protect and restore flows in our rivers to sustain the native fish, wildlife, and people who depend on healthy rivers. Visit us at waterwatch.org.

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The Coalition for a Livable Future urges you to VOTE NO on 26-156 !

For 20 years, the Coalition for a Livable Future has worked to protect, restore, and maintain healthy, equitable, and sustainable communities, both human and natural, for the benefit of present and future residents of the greater metropolitan region.

Equity means that everyone has access to essential resources, the ability to influence public decisions that affect them and the opportunity to benefit from the bounty of our region.

The backers of 26-156 are using this initiative as a way to defund the City's most important environmental programs. These programs improve water quality, clean up our rivers, and provide green infrastructure that manages storm water runoff and makes our communities healthier and more sustainable.

Just as troubling is that this ballot measure will put severe restrictions on who can serve on the board. Most of East Portland will be unrepresented, underscoring the fundamental flaws of this measure. People with experience caring for our water will also be prohibited by law from serving on the board.

It's not equitable. It's not smart. And it's not right.

If you care about protecting water quality and public health, don't hand one of our most precious resources off to an inexperienced board that serves special interests instead of our communities. Let's protect the environment we care so much about.

The Coalition for a Livable Future urges you to VOTE NO on 26-156.

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Friends of Trees urges you to vote NO on the Portland Water District.

We are joining dozens of other nonprofit organizations, neighborhood groups and unions in opposing this measure, which would remove control of the water and sewer bureaus from Portland City Council.

We DON'T believe this measure would do anything to lower water or sewer rates (except maybe for the large industrial water users who are bankrolling the campaign).

We DO believe that it will remove funding from green infrastructure projects like planting trees along neighborhood streets. The thousands of volunteers who have helped us plant more than half a million trees in our region over the past 25 years know this: TREES = CLEAN WATER.

Please join is in voting NO on this measure so that we can ensure a future with clean water and vibrant, healthy neighborhoods.

Scott Fogarty
Executive Director
Friends of Trees

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PROTECT OUR GREAT RIVERS!

Vote NO on 26-156!

We are the Sandy River Watershed Basin Council and we urge a NO vote on this attempt to dismantle important environmental programs. We care deeply about keeping the Lower Columbia's watersheds healthy, clean and safe. That's why we believe that **this ballot measure is wrong for our rivers.**

Portland Water Bureau commitments are vital not only to the Bull Run River's future as our water supply, the lifeblood of Portland's health and economy, but also to restoring the Sandy's threatened wild salmon. The Bureau of Environmental Services' Clean River programs treat and clean sewage and keep storm water runoff out of local waterways and natural areas, and its green infrastructure initiatives save money, enhance neighborhood livability, and protect the Willamette. These are just a few of the City's environmental programs that deliver profound benefits to our rivers and natural areas. This ballot measure makes no guarantee that these critical protections will remain. If this measure passes, programs that keep our rivers clean could be eradicated, and with them our recent gains toward river health and wild salmon recovery. **Our great rivers, the Bull Run, Sandy, Columbia, and Willamette, can't afford the uncertain future this ballot measure offers.**

**If you love our beautiful rivers, and want to preserve them,
join us in voting NO.**

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Measure 26-156, were it to pass, would create a new government body, which isn't particularly unusual. What IS unusual and concerns us, and what should concern you, is that Measure 26-156 would create a new government body NOT subject to public independent audits- there would be no impartial independent analysis of how this new district performs.

We believe public independent audits are always a good idea. What makes public audits even more necessary should Measure 26-156 pass are two fold- cost and our health and safety.

There is no guarantee that the district created by Measure 26-156 would lower anybody's water and sewer rates, and there are several reasons why it's a good assumption that water and sewer rates would rise. This new district would be divorced from the City's administrative functions- human resources, attorneys, shared materials and services- the things that make a government function and things that this new district would have to retain and pay for. And because Measure 26-156 prohibits anybody with any relevant government experience from being elected to this board, those services would be authorized without any knowledge of government procurement. Without a public, independent audit, there would be no indication of whether this district would be spending ratepayer money wisely.

Even more compelling a reason to require public, independent audits of this new district? The \$15 billion worth of assets controlled by an inexperienced, annually-elected board charged with providing clean and safe drinking water to hundreds of thousands of Portlanders. There is no greater reason for auditing than ensuring the public is protected.

Measure 26-156 puts your health and safety in jeopardy, as well as the health and safety of your family, friends and neighbors. It also runs a great risk of increasing your water and sewer rates without any public, independent oversight.

Please join us in voting NO on Measure 26-156

Jewel Lansing, retired City of Portland Auditor
Anne Kelly Feeney, retired Multnomah County Auditor