

From: Debra Westcott

Address: 38685 SE Hudson Rd, Boring, OR 97009

Re: Portland Water Bureau's Water Filtration Plant, T-3-2022-162220

I live approximately 1.5 miles from the proposed site. I believe this industrial plant will negatively impact the overall peaceful rural atmosphere of our beautiful area.

We enjoy a variety of wildlife, teaming with Quail, Canadian Gueese, Robin's and Hummingbirds. We also have Red Tailed Hawks and occasionally a person may be rewarded with sighting an American Bald Eagle, with their nests high atop a fir tree.

We routinely see Deer, but a rare sight is the Herds of Elk. These large yet peaceful and quiet creatures would be especially impacted by this intrusion on their habitat.

We also have predators: Bear, Bob Cats and Mountain Lions. Rabbits are plentiful as are Racoons. All of these creatures form an established ecosystem, which will be harmed due to increased noise pollution from a five year construction project. Once the plant would be operating, the industrial noise and activity would continue 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This is unacceptable.

Finally our night sky allows us to gaze at the expanse of the heavenly stars. With lights from your proposed facility our night sky will be negatively impacted.

I hope that my description of our area helps you to realize that the placement of this industrial facility is ill-conceived. The character of our area is extremely important to be maintained for future generations and must be protected.

Sincerely

Debra Westcott