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Character of the Area
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To Whom it May Concern,

Portland Water Bureau's (PWB) proposed water treatment facility is incongruent with the character and nature of rural Clackamas/Multnomah County. My family and I live in this area because we value the quiet mornings and evenings, with the sound of the Sandy River at first light and owls hooting at dusk. We love the sunrise, when the early morning mist hangs in the fields. We love the evening sky, unpolluted by city lights and filled with stars and constellations. Although we lack sidewalks, our roads are quiet enough for walkers, runners, and cyclists, as well as providing a safe space for our children to learn how to drive.

The PWB facility will impact all of these treasured aspects of our home. The quiet times of the day will be shattered by the whine of pumps and clatter of diesel engines. Likewise, the calm mornings and dark skies of night will be offset by requisite security lights and activity associated with a facility operating 24 hours a day. The increased traffic and heavy truck operations required to support this plant will create hazardous road conditions.

In short, this facility does not belong in this area, in any way shape or form.

Thank You,
Mike Dawson