



New Water Filtration Plant

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I just saw a news report on the proposed water treatment plant and have to say, the NIMBYism on display from the folks who don't want it built in "their" town was neither surprising nor convincing. Arguments like: "The construction will be loud for a while" and "I moved out here expecting great views" and the always classic "It'll bring down property values!". I'm sure if the roles were reversed, and they wanted to build something their town/neighbors opposed, the argument would be "It's my land, I can do whatever I want with it!". Please don't let some NIMBYs ruin it for the whole city.

NO ONE will want it built near them, and then it will end up being forced on some poor folk (99% likely a minority group) who are too busy working 3 jobs to mount some NIMBY campaigns based on bogus land use arguments. As to price, adding extra pumps to continually pump the water to different areas will definitely increase the price tag (as I'm sure you know), as will more lawsuits! People always want infrastructure, but when they see the price tag it's "I pay enough in taxes already..." or start whining about communism.

I don't want my family to get sick because the water is tainted with pathogens, or have to ration water, or drink bottled water for parts of the year because of some NIMBYs. I'm sure you've heard enough from them, I just thought you should hear from one of the hundred's of thousands in Portland who will be affected by this plant *not* being built.

I'd love to know more about how I can make sure this project doesn't get eternally derailed by an endless supply of NIMBYs.

Thank you for your time,

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