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Subject: Reserves testimony

**Date:** Sunday, July 12, 2009 7:52:08 PM

July 11, 2009

To: Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee

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Cc: Metro Council

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My mother and her eight siblings were born in Helvetia. My parents met and married there and my oldest sister was baptized there.

I love coming back here to visit, the crisp air and tranquility drawing me back time after time. If the pastoral atmosphere of Helvetia were to disappear, my family would not see any reason to continue our visits to Oregon.

Please designate all study areas north of Highway 26 in Washington and Multnomah Counties as RURAL RESERVES.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Subject: Reserves testimony

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July 13, 2009

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My mother has lived in this area for over 20years and as a Portland, OR native I can certainly appreciate the beauty this area offers. Our family just recently visited my Mother in Helvetia about 3 weeks ago. My 5&6 year old children has the best time playing on "grandma's farm". This is such a beautiful area and places like this are increasingly more difficult to find these days and it would be a shame if the urban growth boundaries changed, which would significantly impact the natural landscape as well as all of the families who depend on this land for farming, etc in order to support their families.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Wyatt Blackburn

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Subject: Reserves testimony

**Date:** Monday, July 13, 2009 10:48:06 PM

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process. I live with my family on a 5 acre farm in Helvetia. I moved to Portland in 1996, from New York City. I have lived on the farm with my husband and three children since 2000. I feel blessed to be part of a farming community.

I have emotional and rational reasons for wanting to preserve Helvetia as rural. Emotional -- it is breathtakingly beautiful and feeds my soul on a daily basis as I tend my farm, run along country roads, look forward to new foals and baby llamas in the spring, and take heart at the seasonal (hard) work our local farmers do...work that follows a calendar passed down for generations.

As a business person, I suspect that having rural areas such as Helvetia and Sauvie Island, so near to downtown Portland is a boon to tourism and part of what makes Portland so desirable as a destination to raise a family.

Urbanization of Helvetia would sorely compromise a magical part of living in Portland. This seems highly misguided at a time when the Pacific Northwest -- and Portland, in particular -- are lauded worldwide for blending progressive design, creativity and innovation with a return to a closer relationship with the environment and the land.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I have lived in Washington County for the past 18 years. What has drawn me to this area is the surrounding area to Beaverton and Hillsboro. The fertile farm land and to see the return of crops every year. Seeing the Art of the farmer as they know how to rotate the crops to restore the vital minerals to keep the soil producing year after year.

Our first home was on 181st it was the first sub-division that sat on the border of farmland and the Suburbs. Our back yard was backed up to a beautiful property that had an old barn and very wonderful old house. That property is now taken by condos, Albertsons and low income housing. What once supported Elk, and other wild life is now busting with people that have no idea what it once was.

I have watched the elk move from Forest Park, down the Laidlaw area, out Germantown through Helvetia on their journey to the open spaces surrounding the Helvetia and North Plains area. I have watched their passage of safety become a small funnel, if we do not save their trail of life, they will no longer be a part of our community and landscape.

We have worked on our home over the past 7 years, we sit on 3 acres, and have cherished the open space and wild life that surrounds and invades our space at times. We do not want to see any of the Helvetia area become what you have done in the other areas north of Hwy 26. Please leave our precious home open and wonderful, if you change it you are taking away a life style that our family has worked hard to obtain. We have bought this house in Helvetia specifically to have it for our family in the years to come. This is not a quick profit flip of property. Our family have invested many years of hard work and we would like to know our children and grand children can wake to the sound of the coyotes stealing our chickens and knowing that they were here first and we should do a better job of fencing.

Our children have gotten the chance to raise Chickens, pigs, rabbits, cats and dogs. We hope to start a blueberry patch and continue to grow our own produce in the years to come. I was a 4-H child and have been so thankful to offer that unique opportunity to my children. When our family goes to the Washington County Fair, it is so wonderful to know that we are a part of not only the Fair, but the Community makes up its success.

This is not an area that is up for grabs in my opinion. When we found this home, we use to drive back to the Beaverton area, and I would feel so sad to know that what we call "progress" has produced something that I consider very ugly. Rows upon Rows of home that all look the same. Neighborhoods that have children that have a 10x10 yard. There are so many other areas that can be utilized south of Hwy 26. Don't change what make our area land itself in Sunset Magazines top 10 areas to live. Preserve our unique life style and unique community.

Please Save Helvetia.

Sincerely, Kathleen Orrick

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Subject: Reserves testimony

**Date:** Tuesday, July 14, 2009 3:59:50 PM

July 14, 2009

To: Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee

Reserves Steering Committee

Tom Brian Charlotte Lehan Jeff Cogen

Kathryn Harrington

Cc: Metro Council

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Patt Opdyke, CCI

To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I enjoy the area and bike from my home to Helvetia often. I also run the Helvetia half-marathon every year and love the scenic farms and rolling hills surrounding the run.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Subject: Reserves testimony

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July 14, 2009

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Cc: Metro Council

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

My husband and I are long time members of la Finquita del Buho, a lovely community supported agriculture organic farm on Dick Road. We come weekly to pick up veggies, eggs, goat cheese, and whatever Lynn and Juvencio grow for us each week. We love taking our kids and letting them see the veggies where they grow.

It would appear that a move toward urban reserve would place our farm at great risk in the years to come. We support keeping Helvetia rural for the decades to come. As members of CSAs in various locations around the country, we know the challenges that small farmers face each day. We also know that CSAs are few, and finding a good one is difficult.

As a nutrition professor and researcher at OHSU, I have recommended the idea of a diet high in fresh, local produce to most people who will listen. Some have joined a CSA, but most cannot get into one because they are scarce. The idea of urbanizing more of our community would certainly make fresh, local produce harder to obtain. Studies are overwhelming that nutrient content remains highest when consumed closest to the source.

The environmental impact is also important to our family. We take our bushel basket to pick up our veggies each week, with all containers being reused. We drive our hybrid car the short distance to the farm, and we compost any of the stems and debris from our meal preparation. It is important to us to reduce our own negative impact on the earth. It seems to me that a rural Helvetia is good for the environment in many ways.

Please keep Helvetia rural. We appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Melanie B. Gillingham, PhD., R.D.

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Subject: Reserves testimony

**Date:** Wednesday, July 15, 2009 2:47:26 PM

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Our father (V.V. Panit) farmed in the Gresham area from the 40's until he retired in the 80's and I know how important it is to preserve the Helvetia community from becoming urbanized as our farm as well as many more. As far as I am concerned it did not improve the land or help the quality of living in the area

I enjoy driving out to the Helvetia area now to be able to take in the beauty of the farms still around and dine at the few establishments as well as visiting friends that live in the Helvetia area. Please do not allow this community to become lost like so many were lost in the Gresham area.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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It also boogles my mind that as land owners we are very limited to what we can do on our own land. But, if the government wants it they can just push it through. I don't believe the mayors should be voting on what to do with another citizens land. The land owners should have the say. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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**Subject:** Reserves testimony

**Date:** Thursday, July 16, 2009 5:59:22 PM

July 16, 2009

To: Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee

Metro Reserves Steering Committee

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Kathryn Harrington, Metro Councilor

Multnomah County Reserves Citizen Advisory Committee

Cc: Metro Council

Washington County Board of Commissioners

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Dennis Doyle, Mayor of Beaverton

Beaverton City Council

John Kinsky, Mayor of Banks

Jeff Tarte, Mayor of Cornelius

Richard G. Kidd, Mayor of Forest Grove

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The need for peace is much greater than the need for industries and subdivisions. The peace that this land provides through it beauty is so greatly appreciated by so many. I have never run the Helvetia half marathon, because I just graduated high school where I ran cross country and track for four years and was not allowed to compete in it. But that did not prevent me from training out in the beautiful wheat fields with the sky all around you. It's something irreplaceable. It really is. Over the years I have taken my friends out the tavern right by the railroad tracks. It's my favorite place to eat and I would go there for any special occasion. I have brought many of my friends to appreciate the peace this place gives off. I believe it is harder for high schoolers to appreciate the "peace in the storm." Our lives are so preoccupied by things that seem so overwhelming. For high schoolers to be able to appreciate the brilliantly gold fields, deep green trees, and vast blue sky, that is something worth keeping. Especially with technology taking over, and the outdoors being less appreciated, Helvetia must remain. You must understand how important this is to the future generations of our country, not just the people who are living on the land.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Subject: Reserves testimony

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2009 9:47:21 AM

July 16, 2009

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process. I was born in Hillsboro in 1946 and have lived here my entire life. For years, I have seen Washington county wheat fields and farm land destroyed by development. The land I love is now covered with concrete. I've told myself that's progress and there was nothing I could do about it. Well, no more. I can't stand quietly on the sidelines and allow more precious land to be developed into business and housing. I want my voice to be heard to preserve the treasure that surrounds us and which can never be replaced once it is gone.

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July 19, 2009

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My wife and I are committed to sustainable agriculture on a local and personal level. We have a farm that grows grass hay as its major crop. In addition, we have increased the size of our garden every year. Last year we ate food grown on our own Heveltia homestead all year around. We are trying to continue the agricultural ethic in our community as well as lessening our impact on the planet. Our home grown food takes no fossil fuel to get to our table, we use no pesticides and feed ourselves from our Helvetia farm. If this and surrounding land is lost to rural use, it will worsen the quality of life for our neighbors, but also for the entire watershed.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Having lived in Beaverton (two different locations) for the past 40 years, one thing we so enjoy about this area is the ability to go out to the farms for seasonal produce and Christmas trees. The Helvetia area is especially rich in these. We urge you to preserve it as rural.

Having been out picking blueberries today, we can attest to seeing many others in the field who also enjoy this special part of living in Washington County.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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As a member of the Abundant Harvest CSA and a regular volunteer on the farm, I urge you to reconsider identifying the agricultural area of Helvetia as part of an Urban Reserve. This farm, along with many others in the area, provides delicious, local food to citizens of the Portland Metro area. If this area is developed, it would severely impact local farms' ability to continue operating and impede the progress we have gained in creating a local, sustainable food system.

In addition, development around Forest Park would harm the wildlife corridor between the park and the Coast Range.

I believe it's critical to preserve these areas to maintain our quality of life and keep our land and wildlife healthy.

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July 22, 2009

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**Date:** Friday, July 24, 2009 2:53:22 PM

July 23, 2009

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

7-24-2009

To: those who would destroy my heritage!

From: a 5th. Generation family member of one of Helvetia's founding families.

The Story of Helvetia for me began in 1871 when my great, great, great, grandparents came to America from Switzerland to find clean water and good soil for farming. Over the years my family has had Helvetia as an ancestral home and a place to have as our roots to our pioneer heritage in America. Within the Helvetia Community Church cemetery there are many family members that date back to the turn of the previous century. I only state this as an effort to illustrate that the destruction of Helvetia is not some small non historical issue but is actually something that should be listed on the National

record.

For now I live in Southern California and have over the years looked to return to my historical home to live out my life with my relatives. I have begun the discussion with my family to purchase a home that has been in my family for over 100 years. I am seriously afraid that due to this money grabbing scheme and due to an inability to raise taxes that the local government intends to gain additional revenue through over population and expanding the urban sprawl. Many of the farms in this area were cleared by my family and operated most of the last century by my ancestors and relatives. Many wells have been dug and the water has been clean and healthy, but I am sure all of that will change if you go through with this destructive land grab.

As I have previously stated at this time I live in Southern California. Many years ago my father came here to work and create a life in Southern California but we returned to Helvetia every year so that I could know my heritage.

California has suffered many of the same types of over congestion and destruction of the Farming and natural worlds due to this same "so called" progress. Southern California is a filthy overpopulated, over constructed over industrialized experiment in exactly what is now being purposed in the areas around Helvetia.

Please do not destroy this beautiful, historical, place of my family's heritage that I and many others hold so dear to my heart. This is not progress. It is exactly what greed and self gratification will do for those in the political arena and nothing else. I stand in oppression to this totally ridicules plan that would destroy so much. Please keep Oregon Green and beautiful and do not let it become what California represents; a land of greed and over use! Sincerely,

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July 25, 2009

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process. I have lived in Hillsboro since 1972 and am amazed at the growth that has happened.

I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. The area includes the historic community of Helvetia, with highly-productive farm land and other agricultural resources that should be preserved.

The many small farms in the area enhance consumers' connection to local food.

Urbanization of the greater Helvetia area would severely impact local farms' ability to continue operating, because they rely on infrastructure that would deteriorate as areas are lost to development.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of existing urban and industrial areas served with effective transit. Roads to support new urban areas should be paid for by developers, not subsidized by existing taxpayers. There are many empty buildings that are sitting developed. Why can't we fill there places up. I am talking about Dawson Creek.

I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate all candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

Our family moved here from Northern California 9 years ago. I know, another Californian! But I must say that one of the most incredible attributes that we appreciated when we moved here was how you could go from the hustle and bustle of the city to the farm lands so quickly. We kept saying "Wow, in a few minutes you can go to the peace and quiet of the country. In the Bay Area it would take you over an hour." It saddens me that there are those that would develop this beautiful treasure for money.? These areas are priceless and once developed are gone forever. This is what makes Oregon and Washington County the gem that it is. Please do not destroy it. Even though we live in Beaverton driving in the Helvatia area still calms my soul.

Sincerely, Judi Murfin Judi Murfin 16700 SW Heceta Court Beaverton, Oregon 97007 jamurf@comcast.net From: <u>aamabisca@hotmail.com</u>

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I live in an apartment in Hillsboro. After looking at many apartments in Beaverton and SW Portland, I chose this location because of the close proximity and easy access to the rural Helvetia area. My boyfriend and I often take drives and bikerides through this relaxing scenic area. I love being able to come over to pick berries, or pumpkins in the fall, and cut down our own christmas tree in winter. I know from my friends in other cities that we are all very lucky and unique to have fields, farms, and woodlands right alongside the urban development as most cities are just surrounded by neverending suburbs.

We are so lucky to have this expansive rural area so close and accessible to all of us in the Metro area. This greenspace sets us apart from other areas, making the developments south of 26 that much more

desirable. I really think of the Helvetia area as a huge natural park and wildlife reserve and that is really a huge draw for myself and many of my neighbors. It would be such an unspeakable shame to develop this area. If Helvetia became just another stretch of development, I know I would end up moving to somewhere else where I could be so near the country as I am not interested in living in generic suburbia.

The greater Helvetia area truly is a priceless asset that we must do everything in our power to preserve. There really isnt any building or home that can't simply be built elsewhere, but once the rural scenery and atmosphere is destroyed, it cannot just be re-created.

Urbanization of the greater Helvetia area would severely impact local farms' ability to continue operating, because they rely on infrastructure that would deteriorate as areas are lost to development. Development around Forest Park would harm the wildlife corridor between the park and the Coast Range. Popular recreational bicycling routes would be lost, and quality of life would be diminished.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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One of the best things about the Portland Metro area is the ability to drive 15 minutes in any direction and find open spaces. I choose to live here in part because of this amazing proximity to nature and the rural landscape. I shop at the Farmer's Market to buy produce from my "neighbors" rather than some factory farm in the Midwest. And I want to be able to show my children farms near where we live, so that they can understand where food comes from (and it's not "the grocery store"!)

As the wife of a developer, you might think I'd be a fan of opening up more land for housing and development. But I believe any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of existing urban and industrial areas served with effective transit.

I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate all candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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This scenic area provides many recreational opportunities and a welcome respite from nearby city life. The many small farms in the area enhance consumers' connection to local food.

The headwater streams in the Tualatin Mountains provide clean, cool water for the Tualatin Basin, and the wildlife habitat around Forest Park supports elk and other wildlife close to urban areas. The green

southwest face of these mountains, together with Helvetia's farmlands, provide a valued view from the valley and Highway 26.

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I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

My sister has been a resident and farmer in Helvetia for approximately 30 years. I know that she and her neighbors have created a tight knit family so to speak and that this is an extremely dangerous thing to be doing. These people contribute to the health and well being of tons of people. The local contribution that these farmers give to the community is vital.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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July 27, 2009

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I agree with the following basic facts as well as the fact that if we dont proctect this beautiful area we will create for ourselves a environment that will wear heavely on our mental health and erode our peace of mind all in the name of progress. Balance must be established and maintained in our life and environment or we will miss out on what life and health and survival is really all about. Maintaining Helvetia is maintaining ballance.

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. The area includes the historic community of Helvetia, with highly-productive farm land and other agricultural resources that should be preserved. The healthy headwater streams and wildlife habitat around Forest Park should also be protected.

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Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring lot sizes of one acre or larger and avoid aggressive zoning for R6 or more dense housing. New roads to support new areas should be paid for by developers, not subsidized by existing taxpayers. New roads should be limited to the minimum amount needed to support the area's growth.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

Many of my most favorite memories are of my time growing up on my grand parents farm. It's a great environment for a child to be able to experience the outdoors and the sense of community that farm country provides. From raising livestock, picking berries, and the sense of pride that is shared in acommunity like Helvetia. I would like my children to be able to experience some of the same things I did and have a strong sense of community that a area like Helvetia provide. There are many areas in which to erect hundreds of apartment homes, condos, and tract housing. Leave Helvetia the way it has been for the last hundred years.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. It is our favorite place to bicycle and after a stressful day working downtown it is so relaxing to be able to ride in the hills of Helvetia, smelling the crops and flowers. Although I've only lived here 12 years, I have always treasured the whole Helvetia area because of its beauty, calm, its undulating green fields.

I also have a big concern about soils. I work in civil engineering and have seen first hand what construction does to the native soils, no matter if the topsoil is carefully removed for use later.

To urbanize this area is to destroy even more food bearing areas in favor of more apartments. Look at Orenco Station. It used to be a farm area; there were horses in the fields next to what is now Orenco

MAX Station - they are gone now. There's a heck of a lot of apartments on top of what used to be prime farmland. There used to be woods and horse stables and wildlife here - they are gone. The only wildlife left is what hangs around the detention ponds on Intel's property.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I am the owner of Anamchara Stables, an equestrian facility near Phillips Rd/ Dick Rd. My equestrian facility is somewhat unusual in the sense that we offer equine facilitated retreats, life-coaching, and spiritual directions in connection with teaching excellent riding skills. Our clients comes from the entire Tri-County area. Our typical clientele are women who are overwhelmed with their daily stress or are facing a time of crisis and arrive searching for a healthy way of dealing with their stress. Horses have long been known as "silent therapists" or "mirror to our soul". Women who arrive at my stable always express feeling a sense of piece about being in beautiful, tranquil Helvetia. It is their haven, their place to find reprieve at the side of a 4-legged friend. They go home with new strength and energy.

Helvetia is an oasis close enough to the city that people can find the time to drive out and enjoy a

moment of piece. It provides such a beautiful sense of history and belonging. Portlanders long for this feeling of belonging, for a rural haven that gives them strength for another busy week in the city. I see this sense of awe on women's faces every day. Please don't take this away.

Thank you on behalf of the women I serve.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

There is going to come a time, not long from now, when we're going to look back -- or our grandkids, more likely -- and wonder if we did the right things for the future. We know now, for example, that we're running out of oil, and it's going to get increasingly expensive. All that food that comes from across the country, across oceans and continents, is going to get very expensive. We're going to look around us and, depending on the decisions we make now, we're either going to regret not saving local farmland or we're going to pat ourselves on the back and thank goodness we saved it.

We've got to save productive farmland close to city centers. The kind of land that is in the Helvetia area.

I live in Portland, but I belong to a community supported agricultural service called Abundant Harvest. This CSA farms at the Dos Sequoias and New Earth farms up in the Helvetia area. Steve and Mishelle Radtke are the farmers, a couple who work their buns off to grow great veggies throughout the growing

season.

We need more folks like Steve and Mishelle, not fewer. We need more farms like Dos Sequoias and New Earth, not fewer. We need more local land for food, not less.

Urbanizing the greater Helvetia area would hurt local farmers' ability to continue operating, because they rely on a support system that would break down as areas are lost to development.

We're going to need land for living, too, of course. But how much? Let's make sure we fill in the empty areas, or inefficiently used areas, already within city boundaries. Let's make sure we live where we can walk or bike to work, shop, play and study; or where we can get on a bus or train and get to where we need to go. Let's stop suburban sprawl development.

Please, designate all candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thanks.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

Dear Sirs,

My husband and I are homeowners in both Washington and California and therefore frequently drive back and forth between the two states. Having visited the Helvetia area almost every year since 1965 to enjoy its lovely rural ambience and having already been distressed by the ongoing encroachment of urban sprawl in our two states, my husband and I are horrified to learn that there are plans to pave over this beautiful farmland with more factories and new housing developments. What on earth are you thinking of?

This is an area of wildlife habitat, active streams, woods, and real, honest-to-goodness working farms. The fields, the alpaca farm, Christmas tree farms and just plain farms -- all prosperous as far as I know -- are a pleasure to see as we drive along the winding country roads or simply look at our view.

California used to be much like this, but now orange and walnut groves have been replaced by housing tracts, many of which now have unsold houses. Some developers have gone broke. In Washington, we know of luxury condominiums with unsold units moldering away. Here in this area -- Oregon's former "Silicon Valley" -- you already have factory buildings and offices lying dormant. Don't be so sure that over urbanization brings in money and jobs.

And if this area is urbanized, people like us won't come here. My husband and I are only two people. You will not be disturbed to lose our business at Helvetia Tavern or Rock Creek Tavern or a local motel, but the loss of agritourism and the diminishment of farmers' prosperity would be a sad event – all for the sake of speculation.

Seven thousand acres of Agricultural Foundation Land should not be paved over. Don't "Californicate" Oregon.

We request – we beg – that you designate this flourishing land north of Highway 26, including Helvetia, as Rural Reserves under law OAR 660-027-0060 (3h).

Sincerely yours,

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. The area includes the historic community of Helvetia, with highly-productive farm land and other agricultural resources that should be preserved. The healthy headwater streams and wildlife habitat around Forest Park should also be protected.

This scenic area provides many recreational opportunities and a welcome respite from nearby city life. The many small farms in the area enhance consumers' connection to local food.

The headwater streams in the Tualatin Mountains provide clean, cool water for the Tualatin Basin, and the wildlife habitat around Forest Park supports elk and other wildlife close to urban areas. The green southwest face of these mountains, together with Helvetia's farmlands, provide a valued view from the valley and Highway 26.

Urbanization of the greater Helvetia area would severely impact local farms' ability to continue operating, because they rely on infrastructure that would deteriorate as areas are lost to development. Development around Forest Park would harm the wildlife corridor between the park and the Coast Range. Popular recreational bicycling routes would be lost, and quality of life would be diminished.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of existing urban and industrial areas served with effective transit. Roads to support new urban areas should be paid for by developers, not subsidized by existing taxpayers.

I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate all candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

I have lived here all my life and went to West Union Elementary. I have learned about the urban growth boundaries and know that we do not need any new growth at this time. The economy is poor and there will be no one to use the land out here. The land would be better used for agriculture, to support the nearby suburbs. The Helvetia area is one of the most beautiful areas in the area. By increasing the growth boundary all this beauty and history will be lost. There are plenty of spaces else where that could be used for growth. Even in Tanasbourne where I work there are empty plots of land that are not being used. There are tons of open work buildings that companies could buy instead of creating there own. In a time where life is getting harder and conservation is becoming a greater concern we should focus more on compacting our cities instead of expanding them. Look at all of Europe, very compact cities with farms just 5 minutes away. Helvetia serves as sort of that nearby get away that many don't find in the concrete or suburban jungle. I hope you please reconsider this decision.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I purchased the 4 acres of land that we now live on specifically to stay out of the densely populated areas of Hillsboro and Beaverton. I grew up on a small farm and wanted to share those values and experiences with my young children. We run a productive farm and will not be able to afford the increased property values which our home is taxed on if dense housing is developed around us.

We have sunk all our money and roots here for a rural experience that we didn't imagine would be changing. It takes years to develop the soils and to simply develop the area would waste the historical efforts of the farmers of this region dating back to the early 1900's.

Please don't ruin the rural nature of Helvetia. Keep the sprawl south along the Max and bus lines where the infrastructure is already in place. Save the citizens the costs of road developments and other expenses that would simple duplicate what already exists to the south.

I am also concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. The area includes the historic community of Helvetia, with highly-productive farm land and other agricultural resources that should be preserved. The healthy headwater streams and wildlife habitat around Forest Park should also be protected.

This scenic area provides many recreational opportunities and a welcome respite from nearby city life. The many small farms in the area enhance consumers' connection to local food.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I care about the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process. I live very near to a scenic rural area in northwest Oregon that is being considered for urbanization, and protecting it is important to me.

The farm lands and natural wooded areas north of Highway 26 are beautiful, and I want to see them preserved for future generations to marvel at and enjoy. This breathtaking area includes the historic community of Helvetia, with highly productive farm lands and other agricultural resources that provide sustainable produce to the Northwest. The healthy headwater streams and wildlife habitat around Forest Park should also be protected for the benefit of local wildlife and people alike. These scenic areas are wonderful places for recreation and a welcome getaway from the hectic pace of nearby city

Currently, the headwater streams in the Tualatin Mountains provide clean, cool water for the Tualatin Basin, and the wildlife habitat around Forest Park supports elk and other revered wildlife near urban areas. The gorgeous, green Tualatin Mountains rising behind Helvetia's luscious farmlands give lucky

passersby an unforgettable view from Highway 26 and the surrounding valley.

Urbanization of the greater Helvetia area would severely impact the ability of local farms to continue operating because they rely on infrastructure that would deteriorate as scenic rural areas are lost forever to development. And, development around Forest Park would irreparably harm the wildlife corridor between Forest Park and the Coastal Range. Popular recreational bicycling routes would be lost, and quality of life would be greatly diminished.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and a much more efficient use of existing urban and industrial areas along with a proportionate amount of mass transit. Logically, any roads to support any new urban areas should be paid for by developers and not subsidized by local taxpayers.

I want Washington and Multnomah Counties to designate all candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4). Please do your best to see that this happens.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this very important issue.

Sincerely, Stephanie L. Shaffer 1492 NE Carlaby Way Apt. 11 Hillsboro, Oregon 97124 (503) 640-9521

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# August 5, 2009

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It is also the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

We must preserve the remaining farmland now that so many acres have been covered by housing developments. Wasington County has already lost too much agricultural land, including Century Farms and homesteads of early Swiss settlers. In addition to the destruction of beautiful country, there is

already more population than the dwindling water supply can support. Stop development NOW!!!

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Please keep Helvatia as part of a rural reserve to preserve the local sustainable farms that populate that area.

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This is such an amazing and beautiful part of Washington county. The farms are wonderful. My family gets all our fresh vegetables during the growing season from a small farm near Cornelius Pass Road, just north of highway 26. I am so grateful to the farmers and for the opportunity to take my children to the farm every week to visit the farm.

Thank you.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County. I am a member of the CSA, la Finquita del Buho, located in the Helvetia area. This small family-run farm provides my family (and many others) with fresh sustainably grown fruits and vegetables. I also frequent the many other produce pick-your-own farms located in Helvetia. Fresh, healthy local produce is a large part of what makes Oregon special; and Washington County is the "bread basket" to the Portland Metro area.

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Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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It is also the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

By adding more housing developments in this area, we will cause an increase of dangerous contacts between wildlife and humans. By taking away their habitat, the animals have no choice but to wander our neighborhoods, which causes only harm to all involved. Small, interspersed parks and wetland

areas, will only allow for a few small animals to survive. Planting a few trees in the midst of a housing development does nothing for the already existing flora and fauna. We also need these open rural areas to assist in the natural filtering of our ever increasing amount of air and water pollution. We need plant growth, not housing growth.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County. Additionally, preserving lands historically significant in the settlement of Oregon preserves the legacy of pioneering efforts by our ancestors.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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Keeping this area in it's current Rural condition is in the economic interest of the surrounding communities. People want value living in Hillsboro and Beaverton for example, because they know of and enjoy the rural area just to the north of their homes.

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Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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My husband and I used to live in New Jersey, a state that was once very rich in farmland and at one time had a thriving local produce subculture. Despite many activists working to preserve this culture and

farmland, we lost out to builders and developers with the result that much, or perhaps most, of New Jersey is considered to be a suburb of either New York City or Philadelphia. Even though New Jersey is called the Garden State it has lost almost all of its rural character and is now either suburban or urban. Please don't let that happen here in Oregon. We love our new State, especially the way we can once again enjoy local produce.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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If this is destroyed, it will be to the detriment of the local people that serve and protect our community!

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My understanding is that it is also the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern). My understanding also is that there are currently many "for sale" signs on agricultural land in already industrialized areas. Not only does that suggest that Urban Reserve areas north of Hwy 26 are not needed at this time for urban sprawl and will probably not be for decades to come, it also suggests that the Hillsboro's request to extend its Urban Growth Boundary conflicts with its stated goals to improve light rail service, provide more cultural opportunities, and make more efficient

use of infrastructure, instead seemingly focusing on sprawl for sprawl's sake (do I hear the sound of money changing hands within the real estatre development circles? Will the State have to go looking for money stashed in freezers?)

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We own and operate an 80 member CSA farm in Helvetia. We grow organic vegetables, fruit, flowers and grass fed beef, lamb and goat. We provide local seasonal food to over 300 people during our 29 week season. Our members tell us that our farm and access to the Helvetia area improves their quality of life immensurably. They are able to eat fresh vegetables for 7 months out of the year and to show their children where their food comes from and how it is produced.

We provide access to non industrial farming for school children throughout the Portland Metro Area from

Marshal High to Catlin Gable to Chiquitos School. They come here and learn how food is produced, that radishes don't grow in bunches and hens don't have to be caged. These opportunities will be lost if our land is engulfed into the URBAN reserve.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

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Please keep the farmland free in Helvetia. I feed my family with food that comes directly from these farms. Although I live in Clackamas County, I am willing to make the long drive in order to know that I am putting quality produce on the table. Every week my son gets to experience farming first hand when we go harvest vegetables and herbs. This is a rare experience for a city boy!

Please don't take away our farmland! Save it as RURAL RESERVES. There is such wonderful soil in this area. It would be a great loss to our region to cover it up with cement and buildings.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County. I am a 2-year member of the Abundant Harvest CSA, and have grown to realize that it is especially important to have rural areas close to urban ones.

Pushing working farmland farther and farther out from urban centers does not make any sense. Helvetia is a well-established, healthy farm community located close to major population centers. If Helvetia was designated an urban reserve, that development would not provide nearly as much comprehensive value as the larger community as it currently does.

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Can't we just leave some natural farm/rural areas alone to enjoy and that continue to provide healthy air for us? Do we have to develop everything? Once you start to develop an area, it doesn't stop. Look at Hillsboro, which is rapidly becoming a cement and asphalt city. Now it is development after development and one mall after another. It used to be a pleasant small town with lots of rural area. Let's not ruin the next area over. We need farm land and natural areas for beauty, a place to get away from the city, something green. Let's not let the people who will make money off a development in Helvetia in the future be making this decision. What do the people of Helvetia want? They live there and should decide how they want their area in the future. I am all for saving Helvetia just as it is.

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A number of the farms in the area are Century Farms, having been handed down from one family member to another for over one hundred years. Settlers from Switzerland have roots in this area dating back to around 1875. The rich history of the area, including farms, churches and other community

buildings would be lost if this area were to be developed.

There are many areas already semi-developed that would be better choices for urban growth than such heavily agricultural areas as those around Helvetia.

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As an avid cyclist, and active member of the Portland cycling community, I can not understate the importance of preserving the rural Helvetia community. The pastoral countryside and low-traffic roads are ideal terrain for cyclists of all levels. To have this idyllic countryside in proximity to the Portland metro area is truly unique.

As the cycling industry in Portland continues to grow, it is also increasingly becoming a destination for recreational cyclists from around the world. Much of the appeal of Portland as a cycling destination is

due to the proximity of preserved rural and wilderness areas. Preserving these areas is vital for improving the livability, and economic viability of the Portland metro area for future generations.

While many American cities are surrounded by growing tracts of suburban sprawl, Oregonians have a well established tradition of sensible land use planning, preserving our natural beauty while allowing cities to grow in a controlled, but economically viable, way. As Oregon becomes a destination for permanent residents and visitors, it is more important than ever to establish protections for the open spaces that make Oregon a wonderful place to live and visit.

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# August 6, 2009

To: Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

I am a member of the CSA at Helvetia farm. This farm grows fresh organic produce that over 300 people, including myself, rely on. I live in Portland, but pick up my food when I am at work. This way I conscientiously am able to avoid contributing to unnecessary cost of shipping food because I believe in supporting our local economy. I implore you to carefully assess the extension of the UGB and Urban Reserves and what it would do to our farms and our ability to provide fresh food to our community.

It is also the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a

variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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The growth along Hwy. 26 needs to be controlled, the traffic is already a problem and adding new land for single family development is not the answer. Continue to build encourage density within the existing UGB and use that to preserve the little amount of farmland that is left. The existing office parks within the Hillsboro area are not nearly being used as it is....there is no need for this type of zoning currently. I can remember when Hillsboro used to be all farmland and how beautiful it was to drive out to the

coast.

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It also provides a welcome contrast to the more urban industrial/commercial parts of Hillsboro where we work. It makes more sense to increase the density inside the boundaries, which also makes public transit more possible, than to extend the boundaries, pushing the rural further away and requiring more driving overall. This is the only place I have lived that has this system to protect its rural lands and keep sprawl from encroaching on everything in sight, and I have been grateful for it. We don't need to extend the boundaries to accommodate growth now, so let's not. Thank you.

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The Greater Helvetia area is the habitat of several herd of Roosevelt elk, providing connectivity to Forest Park and the Coastal Mountains. Bobcat, cougar, coyote, deer, and other fauna also call the Helvetia area home.

I have Visit the Finquita del Buho and spend several summers days there with my children and they have the greatest time ever. Seein all the animals and play with them made them happy. Now that they are little bit older they want me to go back and Visit Dr. Lyn's Farm. Just ahving the idea that she

won't be able to have her farm and help all those people that she feeds, will be a shame to loose.

Please consider the conservation of all this farms.

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My parents have had lived on a farm in Helvetia since 1976. I have come to treasure the agricultural bounty grown here every year...blackberries, strawberries, peaches, plums, cherries, apples, pears, pumpkins, corn, christmas trees and wine. My family has numerous treasured memories of coming out there every season to pick and enjoy the organic produce, pick out a pumpkin, or count the christmas trees on the tops of cars in the parking lot at Helvetia Tavern (everyone guesses a number ahead of time and we then see who wins). There are plenty of places for industry, but once lost, there is no recapturing the richness of the soil of this area. Please continue to keep this area a Rural Reserve.

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\*Please do not allow this area to be yet another farm community in Washington County lost to suburbia!!

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The Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retain moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation.

Please keep Helvetia as farm land because it is a precious resource in Washington County. I moved to Hillsboro to allow for high density living along and max and still close to our local farms. I support all Oregon farmers and food production is going to be huge concern as populations grow. Just the other

day I was at Celebrate Hillsboro and received a free apple from New Zealand. I am concerned our future food will be imported from across the Pacific. I prefer to buy the following goods from Helvetia; fruit, vegetables, vegetables starters, meat, christmas trees, lavendar, wine.

It's easy to make choices about land development especially if it is not in your own back yard. Where do the people live that will profit from businesses and/or house development in Hillsboro? Are they impacted by the increased traffic and stresses placed on our school systems. The Bethany area seems to be a mess from land development and the people have to drive everywhere. We do not need increased traffic impacting the Helvetia area.

My suggestion is to fill the vacant office buildings with business and develop high density in the Amber Glen area before looking to add more rural land. We should protect Washington County rural land before the cities sprawl to be huge mess. Let's use the land already in place and find more creative ways to support growth within the existing boundary.

Thank you in advance for your time.

Thanks.

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I am in full support of preserving Helvetia's rural look and feel and am against housing development in the proposed area. I visit Helvetia frequently and enjoy seeing bicyclists using the roads, cattle, Alpacas, chickens, goats, horses, and open fields used for agriculture. I have picked peaches, lavendar, pumpkins and have cut Christmas trees from the local farms. I also enjoy visiting the two wineries in the area. I do not want to see increased traffic and population north of Hwy 26. I would like to see the rural farms, fields and evergreen trees remain for as long as possible for all to enjoy.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

I have grown-up and lived in Helvetia for most of my life, and I am now 22 years old. I have attended school out of state for three years but I am always grateful to return to the Portland metro area, and especially Helvetia. However my recent return this summer has been marked by fear and stress as I envision Helvetia becoming the new frontier of urban sprawl, which already marks Hillsboro.

I am an avid distance runner and running provides me a unique view of the land I inhabit. From having run miles in Helvetia, Hillsboro, and Portland, I am well aware of the different land uses present in the

metro area. Little has changed in Helvetia, infill has sprung up in Portland, and meanwhile Hillsboro suburban land has often sat vacant or been filled by one-story office buildings that sit empty. Just last Sunday I ran through the office park north of Evergreen Road and east of Shute Road. The office park is built for cars, not for pedestrians or bikers. It has a few scattered small businesses but is mostly stand-alone outposts for various larger corporations. It is not adjacent to any housing. The neighboring land within the growth boundary (just south of Highway 26) has been vacant and unproductive for as long as I can remember. Even eithin the office park there are empty fields that play host to nothing but brambles growing over the sidewalks. Is this what economic and urban development looks like? Are the economic, social, and cultural benefits of that land meeting the promises that brought that land into the urban growth boundary? Are they compensating for the cost of providing city services to that area? To me it is not urban--it is sprawl. At least most of those buildings appear occupied, unlike the newer single-story office buildings north of Highway 26 that sit vacant.

There is plenty of land within the urban growth boundary, especially if Hillsboro decides to become an actual urban area and not a suburban outpost for continued sprawl. Currently only Orenco Station sufficiently exemplifies an urbanization trend.

Portland metro legislators must take note of these facts and national trends towards urbanization. Cities are trending towards density and sustainable design, not 1/4 acre single-family plots in car-dependent suburb. Hillsboro and other metro areas will suffer if they do not heed these trends, as will the health of future residents who will live in an increasingly polluted city that discourages physical activity by emphasizing roads and cars, not bikes and sidewalks.

As a youth, I will face the future repercussions of your decisions regarding land use decisions. If suburban sprawl eats into the rural areas we have left, I and many of my peers I can assure you, will not be returning, and a cultural, historical, economic, agricultural and environmental treasure called Helvetia will be forever lost.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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As a child I went to West Union elementary school which is located in the Helvetia area. At that time the boundaries were a bit different and, although I lived in a very suburban neighborhood, I still went to school in the country. I don't think I can really express the benefit that having had my childhood in such a natural, sprawling, and beautiful setting has had on my life. All of my friends lived in Helvetia and having been able to play and run around outside without fear of strangers, (Strangers? What strangers? You're in Helvetia, everybody knows everybody!), molded my life into the direction of activity, both in body and in mind. Sitting inside on the computer or playing video games has no appeal to someone who values the ability to go outside and have space to run around and think out loud. Being schooled in Helvetia also brought me to appreciate nature itself, because even as a child it's impossible not to notice how beautiful Helvetia really is compared to all of the strip malls and boxes of ticky-tacky that make up the rest of the area.

Now, I could go on forever about the ways in which Helvetia has shaped me as a person, but I won't. I know you're receiving many letters and will not be able to read the entirety of all of them so I will keep this relatively short and have only one request.

Please, whatever you do, do not vote on this bill without having seen and experienced this area for yourself. Wait until about an hour before the sun is going to set, drive out into Helvetia, put on some Rolling Stones, drive into the soft curves and bounds of the earth, through the green and golden fields, breathe in the smell of freshness, dirt and sweet grass at once; watch the people working with their hands in the pastures, doing the oldest form of work known to humankind, tilling, herding, harvesting. Stop by Helvetia Tavern, see how the waitress knows everyone by name. Now, imagine dozens more people, all frequenting the tavern because "it's so quaint, it's even better Starbucks!" Imagine the arching hills flattened and replaced by suburban sprawl and strip malls. Take away the smell of fresh earthy air and replace it with the fumes from several of the new residents recently purchased F-150's, bought as an investment piece because "they're living rough and real out in the country now". Take the children playing freely and openly in the acres of field behind their houses and place them in a park smaller than a square city block, where their mothers' hover over them because of the fear of pedophiles lurking around the playground. Take the people out of the now-destroyed fields, put them in jobs where they sit behind a desk under fluorescent lights and loose connection to the earth, to themselves, and to the majority of the things they used to value in life. Watch a community wither away slowly over decades, until it suddenly flickers for a moment and then disappears into a mass of concrete and tar. Watch all of these things, and then you can make a fair choice. Because until you've really seen and felt what it's like to stand on a piece of land and feel alive because of it, you haven't got the peace of mind to vote on a matter of this importance.

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I do not support expansion of the urban growth boundary.

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

Helvetia is a beautiful area of refuge for us folks that are tired of cram packed neighborhoods, industrial parks and mini-malls. It is a nearby area to run, bike or even just take a nice drive to clear the mind. It reminds us of what life truly is about, fresh air, hard work, natural beauty, and simplicity.

Leave this area alone please!! Let us and our children and childrens' children enjoy this sanctuary! ~Kimberly Noel

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The Greater Helvetia area is the habitat of several herd of Roosevelt elk, providing connectivity to Forest Park and the Coastal Mountains. Bobcat, cougar, coyote, deer, and other fauna also call the Helvetia area home.

Both Washington county and Multomah county benefit from having farms close to city center.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

Our community must keep Helvetia and surrounding areas rural. Farm land is necessary to feeding our families and animals. Water is our must precious resource, let's do the right things for the planet we call home. The profits being made for the few are going to be the end us all if we do not stop urban growth.

Truth will keep US free, water will keep us alive.

# Natalie

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We need to keep the Helvetia area farmland, there are so many housing areas already not occupied and fresh produce is so important to a community. Please do not change Helvetia. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond.

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Helvetia is a rare gem. Like Forest Park, it provides a valuable non-urban setting within proximity of a major urban center. Helvetia is home to many species of wildlife. Even modest growth (conversion of 20-acre plots to 4 or 5 home sites) in the last two decades has displaced some of these animals. Helvetia is also an asset to human visitors, as well as locals. It is frequented by cyclists, wine enthusiasts, Christmas tree cutting families, and others. The Portland metro area must be bold, as with the establishment of Forest Park, in preserving this rural land close to the city.

Even aside from the inherent value in preserving Helvetia, cities in the area must reevaluate their patterns of growth. There are many vacant buildings and lots closer in to Hillsboro. These spaces must be maximized not only to preserve rural land but to create more vibrant urban centers by taking advantage of the infrastructure that is already in place. Places like Tanasbourne should be retrofitted by building up so that our footprint does not have to expand out. So many of my 20-something peers will pay a high premium to live close to downtown Portland because it is walkable, diverse, and alive.

Northwest Oregon must continue to be a leader in encouraging density for the quality of life of its residents and to set an example for the rest of the country.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

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# August 13, 2009

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

I grew up in rural Hillsboro outside of the Urban Growth Boundary and understand first hand the benefits of keeping these areas rural. Urban sprawl is not a sustainable policy. More efficient use of the urban areas already designated will provide better use of our limited lands and keep urban areas from overreaching into natural wildlife habitats.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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The Greater Helvetia area is the habitat of several herd of Roosevelt elk, providing connectivity to Forest Park and the Coastal Mountains. Bobcat, cougar, coyote, deer, and other fauna also call the Helvetia area home.

This area is an invaluable natural resource for Portland-area residents, and turning it into housing would not only destroy one of the most beautiful parts of the metro area; it would wipe out livelihoods and significantly weaken the remaining habitat for a wide variety of critical animal and plant species.

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The Greater Helvetia area has many unique environmental characteristics that are critical in preserving to ensure the greater Portland metro area achieves its stated sustainability goals. These special qualities have been historically recognized and honored by not only the indigenous native tribes, but the original pioneers who settled here: it serves as a critical "greenway" connector for the migration of numerous animal species between the coast range, foothills, and Forest Park. The health of all these places so connected rely on maintaining its current integrity in serving this purpose.

The basic principles of sustainable regional Land Use Planning (and the intent of the Urban Growth Boundary) is to ensure we too understand and plan to account for these special attributes for the public benefit. To successfully achieve these goals for all our regional citizens, we must maintain the current Urban Growth Boundary to create Portland's vision of a sustainable compact city and metro area.

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

Please don't turn Helvetia into a suburb. One of the most amazing things about this community is its proximity to farmland and the farmers that make their living there. Farming is intrinsically linked to our culture in Oregon--both economically and otherwise--but if you keep pushing the farmers out that

culture will suffer. Acres upon acres of beautiful farmland should not be turned into suburban sprawl. This is Oregon, not California. Let's keep it that way.

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## August 15, 2009

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

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I have been a member of a CSA in Helvetia that not only provides local, pesticide-free food, but has been a place where people come together to celebrate the harvest with canning and cider pressing. It is a valuable source of food, community, peace and tranquility. Please protect this gem of urban living

on the outskirts of Metro Portland.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

The ability to get out into the country side there is such a wonderful benefit - emotionally for those of us who live near by and as a living for those who farm and work there. There are enough housing and businesses going up in the area. Leave something simple, beautiful and pastural please!

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Our metro area needs to retain farm lands and natural resources to keep the area liveable. To continue to extend the urban growth when so much land is still available within city limits is unreasonable. Use the land that is currently available within the cities before pushing beyond those boundries. To have the opportunity to enjoy the farm lands brings such pleasure; certainly more pleasure than concrete, more cars, and strip malls. In addition, the costs to provide the infrastructure is not a wise use of money until the available lands have been used. Leave the Helvetia area alone.

Our family represents a total of nine voters.

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

My family and I have spent time in this area and get our vegetables weekly from a farm. My children are learning so much and we benefit greatly from having this land as farm land. Using areas that have already been developed more efficiently with less strip malls is the best idea. People can live more close

together and then have the benefit of rural land around them. Please stop the sprawl in Oregon, it has not worked for other states and we have the chance to prevent this.

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Also, it's possible that future growth estimates are actually overestimated because they're based on the population boom rates of the previous century. Population growth in much of the industrialized world is moderating. Birth rates are actually in decline in many places.

Furthermore, the real estate developmental boom is part of the reason why the national and Oregon economies are currently in poor shape. It simply went too far. The real estate development trend based on easy credit is no longer a realistic model for good job growth or government revenue.

There are now millions of unsold homes and vacant offices throughout the United States, Washington and Multnomah Counties are no exception. Building more homes and offices without there being sufficient demand, and before other developments are occupied, is unwise investment policy.

I understand the need to plan for the future. But there are other ways of doing it and the future needs time to reveal itself, because it's very likely it will not be what anybody thinks of now.

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Having grown up in Hillsboro, Helvetia has always been my favorite place in the world to go running and biking. I spent my youth cutting down our Christmas trees there, picking berries there, and escaping to the fresh air and the Helvetia Tavern's burgers.

One of the things that makes Oregon great is the use of urban growth boundaries to control sprawl and to keep us surrounded by the green landscape that makes this state special. We're people with common sense who love the outdoors and respect nature, and we've spent decades trying to balance nature and

business. The urban growth boundary is a fine example of establishing that balance, but if we keep moving these boundaries and building out instead of up, they might as well not be there at all. You won't destroy the economy by maintaining these beautiful rolling hills of farmland, but you will destroy one of the most lovely areas of Washington County if you open this area up to development.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

I can see no reason to even consider development of this land. It would be a travesty and a waste of valuable agricultural land.

As a 6th generation Portlander, one of the things that makes me most proud of my city is the Urban Growth Boundary. Our city should grow up, not out. I spent the lat 3 years living in Phoenix, Arizona and the development there is sickening. You can drive for hours and still be in the suburbs. We do not want this.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB. Plus helvatia is beautiful, a place totally different than the surrounding area that gives a look into another life that most portlanders don't get to see.

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Helvetia should remain preserved as a small farmland community. It is a valuable asset to the surrounding area for its beauty, agriculture production, and recreation that is shared among family and friends. I enjoy rides on bike and car to visit this lovely community. There is still much untapped residential and industrial land in the surrounding communities to avoid swallowing up Helvetia's prime farmland. Our efforts need to focus on planning, density and walkability within the surrounding communities. Sprawl is not the answer.

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The Greater Helvetia area is meditative and therapeutic: a close-in rural setting that allows decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives. There is a strong sense of place among area residents and visitors alike. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond.

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Above all, this must be remembered: farmland is finite. Taking prime land out of farm use and building parking lots and massive flex buildings or more neighborhoods is really shortsighted. Where will the food come from?

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My Great Grandparents homesteaded in Helvetia, their home is now the tasting room of Helvetia Winery. I too believe that any growth should be in more of the urban areas in the form of infill and more efficient use of that land. It is very difficult to accommodate growth with preserving farmland, but it can be done. This land north of Hwy. 26 should not be developed. We must leave the land outside of the UGB as EFU. I don't know if opinions from people who do not live in the aera are important. I just wish to see the area around Helvetia kept as it is. Thank-You.

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The greater Helvetia area represents one of the important rural parts of the Willamette Valley and it would be an absolute shame to see it given over to suburban development. There also exists a wider problem of the decisions of the county to project growth plans 50 years into the future, where 30 year plans tend to be the standard, thus fostering future generations with plans that may not be appropriate. It represents a certain cynicism on the part of Hillsboro to eradicate this beautiful, and crucial farm land; and it runs counter to both the spirit of environmentalism within Oregon and the legacy of former Governor Tom McCall. The Helvetia region boasts not only excellent local organic

wines and agriculture, but represents a beautiful place to bike. It would be a disaster of conscience to see this community replaced with suburban sprawl.

I urge the county to adhere to the recommendations of the County Agricultural bureau and to zone the Helvetia community as rural reserve rather than as urban; preserving a productive and scenic agricultural region and limiting the encroachment of suburban development.

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Our farmland is disappearing at an alarming rate. With this loss of farms goes the history of our heritage. Big box development is not the solution. Preserving our farm lands is the solution.

Please save Helvetia and preserve our land.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

Unless you are a termite, you can't eat houses. I have lived in this area for over 64 years and I have watched the country side turn from a rural farming community to one big housing development after another. The best agricultural land is slowly being eaten away by contractors and city officials who are only looking at the money those lands will generate in housing and tax money without considering the consequences. When is this going to stop.

People migrate here because of the crowed conditions where they come from, yet the first thing that happens is that we start building those same crowded conditions.

The wild life is being pushed into smaller and smaller areas. Now it is becoming quite common to see coyotes, raccoons, etc. closer to civilization. My wife and I actually saw a cougar while traveling through Roy. We have seen elk herds very close to the city limits of North Plains.

The Urban Growth Boundaries were established to eliminate urban sprall. However, each year those boundaries are being moved to create the very problem that they were intended to prevent. We need to stop it now a preserve the land that will grow the crops for future generations.

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The Helvetia community and the vicinity around it is absolutely gorgeous farm country. This area is a treasure that should be preserved. If you allow it to be used as urban reserve, it will fill up with developments and be ruined. I ride my cycle through Helvetia often for recreation. This rural area is so peaceful it rejuvenates me. Please don't ruin it. Please make it off-limits to development.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern). In this age of "instant internet everything", it is imperative that we do everything we can to preserve and protect our local resources. I don't know about you but my family and I (and many folks we know) enjoy and appreciate fresh locally grown produce, meat, poultry and eggs. I like to know where my food comes from. Another factor is that in these uncertain economical times, our local farmers need their farms to survive. Also, the environmental concerns of "growth" are HUGE! Our planet and our wildlife

cannot survive if we continue to "pave paradise". Our schools, roads and resources are stretched to capacity and we cannot afford to heap anymore burdens upon them.

I don't mean to be melodramatic but this is an issue of extreme importance. Please designate the the areas north of US 26 as rural reserves. Literally, our lives depend on it!!! Thank you.

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Washintgon county is important to the entire Portland area for maintaining our local food access and we need to maintain the rich farmland we have here. In the future, with more expensive and more scarce fuel, with less water, with increased instability in the world, it is more important than ever that we sustain our own population with as much local food as possible. It saves us all money and provides us with much healthy food and air when the food is local. It is also critical that we support the vital small farmers that are the backbone of this nation. I buy from local farmers markets, and local food at New Seasons as much as I can.

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When I moved to this area 15 years ago, I was amazed by the rural beauty of the Helvetia area. I could not believe that land this lovely could exist so close to such a vibrant city as Portland. I came here from the East Coast, from New England, a place I called home and truly loved. But looking at this land, I had to admit to myself--"these guys got it right. These guys figured out how to preserve what's special and compelling in the land." Now that I've been here a while I appreciate that the land is more than beautiful--it is productive. These farms grow our food. They're a crucial part of the eat local/buy local ethos that makes this community so strong. Moving away from that is moving in the wrong

direction. Furthermore it's irreversible. Once developed, you will never get this land back, you will never get this landscape back and you will never get this community back.

I would ask you to rethink this proposal and postpone this decision. There must be another way.

Thank you.

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I work at Intel in Hillsboro. Having farm and natural areas nearby is great and I use them as they are. We need more density in the existing UGB, not an expansion of the UGB.

It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

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The next generation of Metro citizens will not thank us for creating more housing tracks. They will thank us for protecting critical farmland and open spaces. Once paved, those productive soils and ecosystems will not recover in our lifetime. Now is the time to stand firm to protect these irreplacable lands in Helvetia.

The Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retain moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water

retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation.

This is the Promised Land! When do we stop paving it?

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This is the land that grows my family's food. With the changes that we've been seeing in the food industry and the environment in recent years, it's very important to me that we have safe, local food sources. If this area changes to be zoned urban, then we will lose yet more land to grow safe food for our families. And we'll be forced to ship in food from further away, increasing our dependence on fossil fuels to ship the food. Additionally, the beauty of the agricultural landscape will also be lost. Please, please do not change the zoning of this area!

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To paraphrase Mike Burton when he ran for Metro, "if all the farms are paved over where are we going to eat?"

Our family makes every effort to eat locally and support local farmers. Due to the vibrant Washington County farm community, this is possible. We eat locally grown meat bought directly from the farm. We pick our berries and buy other produce from Helvetia area farms. When we do purchase our food at stores or restaurants we make a point of patronizing stores (such as New Seasons) and restaurants that get their food from the same sources. The Willamette Valley contains some of the richest farmland in

the country and definitely farmland close to a major urban area. In an era where we need to reduce our carbon footprint and develop a more sustainable economy, why would we destroy such an irreplaceable resource?

When driving out to Helvetia, we pass many empty buildings and office space for lease. We do not need more development when we cannot fill the space we have. We have seen how volatile the real estate market is and how quickly large corporations will abandon our (or any)area when their share price drops. We need residents that are truly invested in our land and our community --farmers.

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According to the American Farmland Trust: "Every minute of every day we lose two acres of agricultural land to development." www.farmland.org

When will policy makers and planners start to behave in ways that acknowledge (1) there is no more land being created, and (2) we all have to eat? Washington County's "engine of economic growth" thinking is going to take us all over the cliff, while munching on computer chips.

Let's use our soils for their highest and best uses. I implore you to put preservation of agricultural lands ahead of factories or houses.

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I have lived in this area for 27 years and have worked for Intel Corporation for a good many of those years. I have seen how pristine farmland has slowly disappeard from this fertile area over time. I understand that growth has to occur but am concerned at the choice here regarding the Helvetia area.

The area north of 26 known as Helvetia is probably some of the best farmland in Washington County -

not to mention it's asthetic value when viewed even from the asphalt of Highway 26. Likely what will happen here is that the land in this area would be developed into very high-end, up-scale properties that would maximize the tax revenues for the area relative to the land. This results in a win for the County's tax purse and for the relatively few that could afford residing in the new area. In my opinion this land would much better server the county as a whole if it could remain as productive farmland. Can't unused areas within the existing urban boundaries be explored?

Thanks for providing the open forum here. Regards, Scott Rifenbark

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Please dont make an irreversible decision that will affect generations for years to come. I know the pressure you must be under. Development must look very attractive for many reasons. I urge you to take a longer view on this issue. Helvetia is the heart and soul of this part of the country. Places like this and what they produce are the reasons so many people want to live here in the first place. So by preserving the zoning of Helvetia, you will be preserving the area's economy. Stay strong! Thank you.

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If these areas or other farmland in Washington County is to be designated for development, then a huge burden should be placed on the businesses and developers to provide new transit options and infrastructure. How can we expect Fortune 500 companies to located in rural farmland because the land is cheap, but not contribute significantly to the regions infrastructure needs, especially new transit. I understand that the MAX already serves some of these areas, but the distance from central Portland is too great to realistically expect people to use transit.

Multnomah and Washington Counties should do everything in there power to encourage growth and development within the city. I don't believe that there is a lack of developable land to not do this.

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This area has a special place in my heart since it is the place my great great grandparents moved to as emigrants to the United States. I am currently living in Ontario, Oregon, which has a much different climate than that of the Willamette Valley, but I will never forget what an impact grawing up Oregonian has made for me and my family because of the little farm communities my fore fathers worked many years ago. My husband and I travel most every summer back to that area with our seven children to give them a taste of their rich Oregonian History. It would be a shame to lose this piece of my families history when there seems to be so little left of these beautiful places in the Willamette Valley left.

Please preserve this land for my children and future generations to enjoy!

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I have lived in the Helvatia area for 5 years with my wife and children. As I was walking through the neighborhood with my wife last week, it occured to me just how much the community would change if this beautiful agricultural area was developed. Productive farms that provide berries, grapes, and grain would be replaced with blacktop and houses, traffic would choke the narrow roads, and pollution would dominate the currently pristine area. And for what? To enable a developers dream of building ever larger developments destroying the landscape forever? Progress does not need to mean growth outward and progress should not be about greed or political gain, Please join me in opposition to the destruction

of Helvatia forever.

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August 20, 2009

The Hon. Tom Brian, Chairman Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee 155 N First Ave., Suite 350 Hillsboro, OR 97124

Dear Chair Brian and Coordinating Committee members:

On behalf of the Oregon Chapter of NAIOP, the Commercial Real Estate Development Association, I write to express qualified support for the planning directors' recommendation to you for candidate urban and rural reserve areas.

As you are aware, the Oregon Chapter of NAIOP has been a very active participant in the reserves process ever since the concept was first proposed during the 2007 legislative session, and we consider it a very important tool for effectively managing future growth in the region. However, we urge you to keep in mind that the effectiveness of this urban reserves tool will be significantly lessened if the supply is too small.

Designation of land as urban reserves in no way automatically translates into expansion of the urban growth boundary—this is a completely separate process with much different criteria. Urban reserves serve as a planning tool and afford the opportunity for further comparative analysis, infrastructure and transportation costs, and economic opportunities prior to UGB decisions.

Having a sufficient supply of urban reserve land simply provides a greater range of options for future Metro Councils as they periodically review performance within the boundary and new projections for residential and job growth over the next 40-50 years. This is obviously a very long time period and we can hazard only the roughest of guesses about changes that will occur to make any current projections very far from what actually occurs.

Thus urban reserves provide future generations the potential to accommodate economic and population growth as they decide. To minimize the risk of

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projecting low on employment land needs, urban reserve areas need to be large enough to accommodate projections that are on the high side of the range, not just average or low projections. By contrast, the 33,800 acres of urban reserve areas now being considered is just slightly more than half the 66,934 acres that Washington County Planning staff identified as necessary to meet the high range population and job needs through 2060, and only two-thirds of the 50,411-acre high-range need through 2050.

We urge you to maintain this acreage amount as the absolute minimum needed to accommodate 40 and 50-year urbanization needs. Please reject any requests to decrease the acreage amount any further.

If the reserves aren't needed, they won't be used. But if future decision-makers do need the lands, and don't have them, then there will be adverse impacts on jobs, tax revenues, and economic development. This potential "opportunity cost" of lost economic activity was vividly illustrated by the Washington County economic mapping project undertaken by the Oregon Business Development Department, with support of Washington County cities and NAIOP.

Washington County and its municipalities have striven to attract and retain major employment clusters, including high tech manufacturing, solar manufacturing, and biopharma. *These industries are an economic foundation for our region and our state*. These employers have a core, common need: sufficient land for long-term expansion on developable sites that are adjacent to their clusters, proximate to their employees, and near or serviceable by, urban infrastructure. It would be truly unfortunate if lack of expansion sites choked off the employers that you and your peers worked diligently to bring to the region.

In the planning director's recommendation, rural reserves abut urban reserves in many areas that are likely to see ongoing growth. This scenario will pose significant problems for employment growth if these urban areas are built out, given that immediately adjoining rural reserves cannot be developed over a 50-year timeframe. *If the Coordinating Committee chooses not to expand the proposed, "tight" set of urban reserves, we would urge you to consider the broader use of undesignated lands* – areas that are neither urban or rural reserves – as buffers around urban reserves. This strategy could provide a "margin of error," so future leaders would have the potential to expand urban reserves as needed. However, we would suggest that this strategy be secondary to ensuring that a sufficient supply of urban reserves is designated now.

In conclusion, NAIOP sees the reserves process as an improvement over the region's traditional growth management system, and so we have supported this process for years. Reserves allow us to select the most appropriate lands for potential long-term growth and economic prosperity, while preserving the region's most important rural areas. But designating reserves requires careful balancing of these needs, given the statutory structure and generational timeframe of these designations. Emphasizing one set of needs over another could create unfortunate economic limitations for the region's future leaders.

NAIOP wishes to see Washington County continue to have the potential to attract the world's best industries and employers, and to prosper for the next 50 years. NAIOP expresses "qualified" support for the planning directors' recommendation to you due to concerns that it may not represent enough urban reserve land necessary to accommodate 40-50 years of land needs and that the location of rural reserve areas may not allow for future needed UGB expansion if current growth projections are significantly lower than what is actually experienced.

Thank you for all the work that you and your staffs have devoted to this important project, and please let us know if there's any additional assistance that our organization can provide.

Sincerely,

Michael Wells, LEED AP

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NAIOP Public Affairs Committee Chair

# The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon



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August 27, 2009

Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee c/o Washington County Department of Land Use & Transportation Long Range Planning Division 155 N. First Avenue Suite 350, MS 14 Hillsboro, OR 97124-3072

Reserves Steering Committee c/o Ms. Laura Dawson-Bodner Metro 600 NE Grand Avenue Portland, OR 97232-2736

# Dear Committee Members:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon ("Confederated Tribes") regarding the recommendation to designate lands north of Highway 26 in Washington County as urban reserve. Before the Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee makes any recommendation to the Reserves Steering Committee, the Confederated Tribes request government-to-government consultation with both Washington County and Metro to discuss the impacts such an urban reserve recommendation would have on the Confederated Tribes.

Grand Ronde is a federally recognized Indian Tribe. Under the treaty of January 22, 1855, the tribes and bands of the Confederated Tribes ceded a significant part of their homelands in the Willamette Valley and along the Columbia River to the United States. The Atfalati (or Tualatin Kalapuyas), one of the antecedent bands of the Confederated Tribes lived in what is today Washington County. The Confederated Tribes' Cultural Resources Department has identified the area in Washington County north of Highway 26 as a remnant cultural landscape of significance to the Confederated Tribes. The Confederated Tribes believe this is an area containing sacred, historical, cultural, and burial sites. Designating this area as urban reserve could facilitate development that would irreparably harm these sites. In view of this, the Confederated Tribes request to meet with you at the earliest opportunity to initiate a government-to-government process that would ensure the protection of the Confederated Tribes' interests in this area.

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I look forward to hearing from you. I can be reached at (503) 879-2306. You may also contact our Tribal Attorney, Rob Greene at (503) 879-2270.

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Very Truly Yours,

Jack Giffen, Jr.

Tribal Council Secretary

cc: Chairman Brian and Washington County Board of Commissioners

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August 29, 2009

To: Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee
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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

My name is Anne Caruso. I want to express my grave concerns that those of you who are entrusted with making decisions regarding the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process pay attention to maintaining a sustainable, healthy area close to the city for future generations. I am addressing you about the proposals to change the urban growth boundary in Washington and Multnomah Counties.

'I have been a resident of Northeast Portland since 1977. I was originally drawn to move to Portland from Southern California because of the proximity of inner Portland to nearby farmland and open wild areas. I have often taken my children berry-picking in East Multnomah County. Sadly, many of the farms where we used to pick berries and other fresh produce have succumbed to urban development. As a child I saw the last of the orange groves and strawberry fields disappear from around my school in Orange County. Southern California squandered its farmland and wild valleys thoughtlessly to piecemeal development. In the Willamette more attention has been given to urban planning. But each generation needs to remain attentive to the implications of additional urban growth.

The farmlands and natural resources in Washington County north of Highway 26 should be preserved. The healthy headwater streams and wildlife habitat around Forest Park also need to be protected.

My family has for several years been a subscriber member of Pumpkin Ridge Gardens, a Community-Supported Agriculture farm. This small family farm is located in North Plains, close to the proposed boundary change. This membership gives us the opportunity to see where our food comes from and to have some participation in the farming process. Our diet now includes many nutrient-rich and chemical-free vegetables, as well as meat and dairy products, that we wouldn't have had, or even known about in many cases, except for the CSA farmers. We appreciate the care and effort that go into planting and nurturing the food we eat.

Urbanization of Helvetia and the farm area north of Highway 26 will result in the inevitable loss of the small farms that would fall within the extended urban growth boundary. As property values rise and development grows up around them, the struggle for these farms to survive will become more and more difficult. Farms to the north and west of this area will also be affected as infrastructure supporting farms is weakened by extended urbanization. Development around Forest Park would harm the wildlife corridor between the park and the Coast Range.

Yes, increased population needs places to live. But a more healthful urban environment can be maintained by requiring infill and increasing density, making more efficient use of our already existing urban transit systems. Any additional roads to support new urban areas should be paid for by developers, not subsidized by existing taxpayers.

Please designate all study areas north of Highway 26 in Washington and Multnomah Counties as RURAL RESERVES. These precious rural and wild areas are a timeless legacy that we owe to the whole metropolitan population, as well as to future generations and to the health of our finite planet.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Anne Caruso

Washington County and Metro Regional Reserves Committees c/o Washington County Long Range Planning 155 N First Ave., Suite 350, MS14 Hillsboro, Oregon 97124

Testimony: Rural Large Lot Owner Support of Urban Reserve Designation

Dear Reserve Steering Committee, County Commissioners, and Regional Steering Committee:

Cornelius recently surveyed large lot property owners within the rural area around Cornelius recommended for a 50-year Urban Reserve. All respondents to date, except one (26 to 1) favor an Urban Reserve Designation for their properties as opposed to a Rural Reserve Designation. Representative property owner responses are quoted below.

"I wish to preserve my options. I do not plan to subdivide during my lifetime, but would like my children to be able to maximize their inheritance."

Reinard B & Shirley M Okeson 34520 SW Cook Rd Hillsboro, OR 97123

"We should be able to enhance our properties to accommodate the growth in the region in one way or another."

Lloyd Duyck 2170 SW LaFollett Rd Cornelius, OR 97113

"We are on border of EFU & property is too small to farm."

Greg & Jeannie Peters 1990 SW LaFollett Rd Cornelius, OR 97113

"Locking in for 50 years is a long time without options."

Donald L. Claeys 19813 NW Metolius Drive Portland, OR 97229

"The Washington County Farm Bureau is affirming that ALL the farmers in the area wish their properties in the 50 year agricultural reserve. This is not true about the Van De Moortele farm, which I would prefer to have placed in the urban reserve. This allows the family to have the option of being sold at a profit or continue on as a farm. Is also gives the City of Cornelius the option of increasing land available to its community for homes, industry, or business."

Ruth Anne Van De Moortele Dean NW Susbauer and NW Long Roads Cornelius, OR 97113 "I have heard that the Farm Bureau is stating that all the farmer want their property zoned into the 50 year Agricultural Reserve. I would like to have my farm zoned in the 50 year Urban Reserve. It would allow me to continue to have it farmed as long as I choose. It would also allow my daughters who will inherit the land to have some choice when I pass away. They are not farmers."

Ruth Van De Moortele Jennings McCall Assisted Living 221 Oak St. Forest Grove, OR 97116

"I think that Cornelius, which has always been supportive of its agricultural foundation and surroundings, can have some room to grow and continue to be a good neighbor of our agriculture businesses. This will not hurt farming in Washington County and will be a big boost to Cornelius"

Walt Duyck & Tim Duyck 1640 NW Cornelius-Schefflin Rd Cornelius, OR 97113

"We own a number of large parcels within the area recommended as Urban Reserve. This includes acreage north of Council Creek, Dairy Creek and near McKay Creek. We support the Urban Reserve designation recommended for our land north of Cornelius."

Melvin and Marie Finegan 5750 NW Glencoe Rd Hillsboro, OR 97124

"We own over 30 acres of land west of Susbauer Rd. that is partially urbanized with our meat packing business. We have farmed the vacant part of our land with field crops like hay and have never been able to even cover our property taxes with our farm profits. We urge the county and Metro to designate this land north of Council Creek Urban Reserve and add it to the Urban Growth Boundary this year."

Letha & Harry Jacobsmuhlen 1395 NW Susbauer Rd. Cornelius, OR 971113

"I would like all my 364 acres southeast of Cornelius off 345<sup>th</sup> Avenue to be designated Urban Reserve and added to the Urban Growth Boundary for urban development as soon as possible."

Michael Speer 16830 SW Sarala St Beaverton, OR

Survey response indicates a desire for a 50-year Urban Option for their property.

Alan & Mary Jesse 16520 SW Midway Rd Hillsboro, OR 97123

"No more canneries or processors in county, very limited products to grow or sell. No markets, too much traffic to move machinery. We have farmed on 331<sup>st</sup> since 1952. Times do change, sorry to say."

Helen VanDyke 1000 SW 331<sup>st</sup> Ave Hillsboro, OR 97123

"I believe our property is in close proximity to the city of Cornelius and it would be a logical direction for the city to grow."

John G. Krautscheid 508 NE Birchwood Ter Hillsboro, OR 97124

"...please consider including our Urban Reserve Property in the next Phase of the UGB expansion." 3/16/09 letter to Kathryn Harrington, Metro District 4

"Our property (6.75 acres) meets and exceeds the criteria for consideration of the UGB."

Barbara Hadley & Karen Palenik 33442 SW TV Hwy Hillsboro, OR 97123

"Options are always better than not." In favor of 50-year Urban Option.

Katherine Henmen Kraft Pact LLC 1600 Hobbs Road Cornelius, OR 97113

Survey response indicates a desire for a 50-year Urban Option for their property.

Dick and Sue Hertel 33650 NW Hornecker Rd Hillsboro, OR 97124

Survey response indicates a desire for a 50-year Urban Option for their two properties.

Edward & Christine Sahlfeld Trust 31960 NW Hornecker Road Hillsboro, OR 97124

Survey response indicated a desire for a 50-year Urban Option for their property noting reasons of "flexibility & poor commodity prices."

Anonymous

Survey response indicates a desire for a 50-year Urban Option for their property.

George & LeAnn Rose 2626 SW 325<sup>th</sup> Avenne Hillsboro, OR 97124

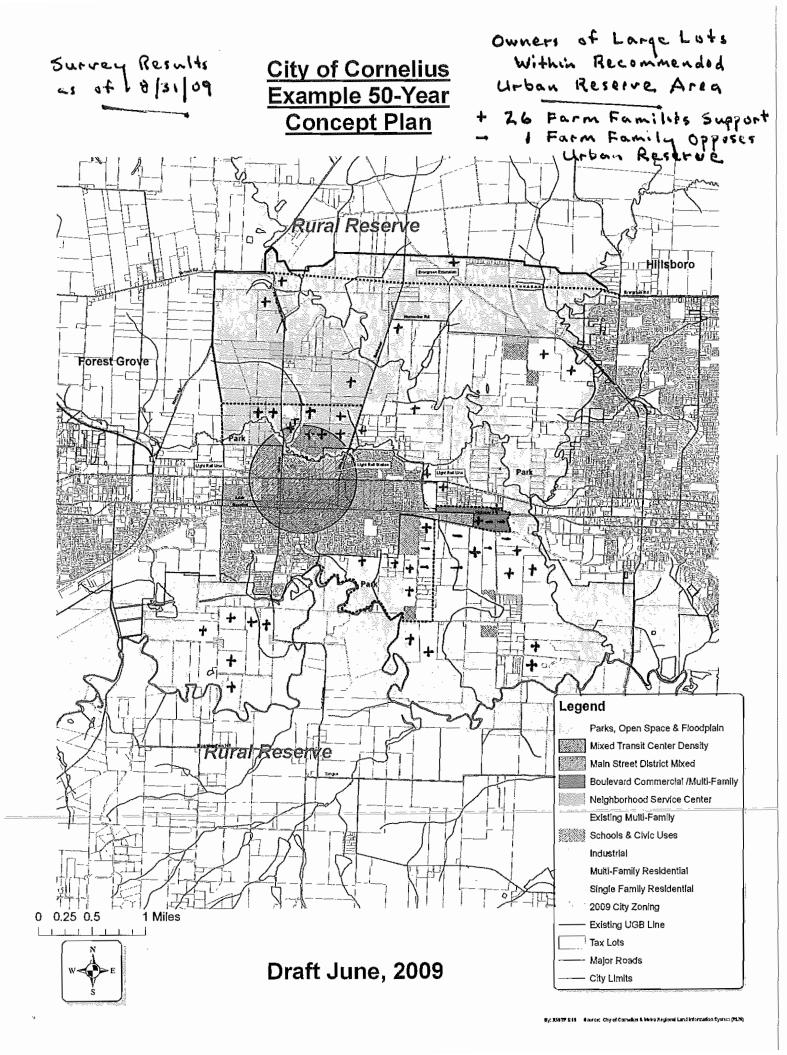
Thank you for your consideration of property owner preferences in our area of the region.

Thank you for your public service.

Sincerely,

Richard Meyer

Cornelius Development & Operations Director







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September 1, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is being written in regards to the proposed designation of 33,000+ acres of agricultural land as urban reserves in Washington County. As a faculty of the Department of Crop and Soil Science at Oregon State University and Field Crops Extension Agent in the North Willamette Valley (Washington, Yamhill and Polk Counties), I urge you to consider several factors that will impact the agricultural community in Washington County.

As you are aware, Washington County has a thriving agricultural industry that produced over 302 million dollars in gross sales in 2008, ranking third in overall sales amongst the 9 counties in the Willamette Valley. According to the 2008 Oregon County and State Agricultural Estimates Guide produced by Oregon State University Extension Service, all of Washington County's Agricultural Commodity Products are produced on less than 100,000 acres of agricultural land.

Production of grass seed, wheat, oats, clover seed, hay, vegetable, tree fruits and nuts, cane berries, and dairy products make Washington County an extremely diverse agricultural community. Such diverse operations are supported by extremely skilled farm operators, a climate that supports cool season crops, and high quality soil resources. Mild winters that deliver a steady stream of precipitation create an environment for high yielding specialty crops that are world renowned. Washington County contains some of the deepest, fertile and most highly productive top soils in the state of Oregon. Farmers in other parts of the Willamette Valley, and across Oregon, often comment on their desire to farm ground that is "as well-drained, nutritious, and fertile" as those of Washington County. The loss of 33,000+ acres of such highly sought after acreage would be a major loss not only to Washington County but to Oregon's Agriculture community as a whole.

Additionally, I urge you to consider the increased cost of agricultural production that results from farmer's having to cultivate smaller parcels of land that are often times fragmented and located far away from the hubs of their farming operations. The costs of equipment, diesel, water, and labor have risen steeply in recent years and are expected to continue climbing. It is more expensive to farm many small fields as opposed to several larger fields. It takes more hours of time, more feet of irrigation pipe, more gallons of fossil fuel and more hands to manage. In times of especially low prices for many local crop commodities, rising fuel costs, and overall hard economic times, a reduction in rural acreage would come as a very bard hit to the county's farmers and those who benefit from their agricultural operations.

Please protect the viability and vitality of the Washington County agricultural community.

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## August 27, 2009

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Metro Reserves Steering Committee

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

I came to this area 11 years ago. When asked when we will return to California, the answer is "never!" How could we with such beautiful country side just minutes away from our home and from downtown Portland. Much of the beauty of Oregon is not so much the city, but the beauty of nature that surrounds the city...the beautiful country side adn wildlife all year round. If this is going to turn

into another Los Angeles, then, no doubt, may of us will no longer be calling this area our home.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

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Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Please be smart about urban growth and keep the Helvetia area rural. You will be glad you did. Consider the growing need for local food security. There will be a time when we look back and thank you (our leaders), for having been wise enough to preserve this land as rural for agricultural purposes.

Thank you.

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Enough is enough! Leave our prime farmland alone. DO NOT disturb the habitat.

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I have lived in the Hillsboro area for numerous years and have always considered the Helvetia area a breath of fresh rural air. It has always been a blessing to have this proud community willing to share

their area with all who enter. It has always been a therapeutic quick get away for many. Not having this area with the "corn for sale" signs and the rural wineries and the large farms and estates to visit either physically or from afar would be such a loss for human mental well being. Must we ruin every wonderful spot like Helvetia with more housing developments and such? Please keep in mind how much this area is loved by all, AS IS.

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The Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retain moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation.

One of the big reasons I moved out to this area is because it is rural. I ride my bike weekly along all the roads and savor the quiet time to myself. I would be truly disappointed to see this beautiful area turned over to urban developers. Please keep Helvetia rural.

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As a resident of Hillsboro, I consider the Helvetia farm lands a local treasure. They're close to home but completely unlike the business parks and developments nearby. The rolling hills, lavender, wine, llamas, etc. bring a smile to my face. Even though I work in tech, I don't see a need to put more business parks in this beautiful area. Please leave it the way it is!

Sincerely, Mary Sullivan Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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I was not happy as I attended the WA CO group discussing changes to the Urban Growth Boundary at Beaverton's Library. It seems as though the Commission has not sought all necessary parties to what is

a seriously complicated decision.

I was alarmed at the evidence presented about noxious weeds that will proliferate on idle land enlarged by the extension of the Boundary. I know WA Co governance to be rather lax on close monitoring of property and safety issues outside of the towns. We live in Beaverton, but greatly enjoy being able to drive into countryside. The farm land around us is such a valuable asset. Please consider the various parties to this decision, including the farmers, and those of us who enjoy the outdoors.

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The Helvetia area is very special to my family which consists of myself, my wife and our 2 young children, ages 6 and 8. We live in Hillsboro, near the airport and the new Costco. We have seen the growth and infill in the 10 years that we've lived in Hillsboro and while it has been a little painful dealing with the increased traffic and noise, it also seems appropriate. Directly adjacent to our property line, we watched a single house turn into a condo development with 50 residences. Directly next to that a single house was torn down and replaced with 70 or so condos. We are a stones throw from Costco, Intel, the library, Orenco Station stores and I know many of my neighbors walk or bike to work

and the store. This makes sense to me and is the right thing to do for many obvious reasons that you already know. My point with this is that as you drive around Hillsboro and most areas of the metro region, it is obvious that increasing density like this within the current UGB is possible and desirable. People, particularly in the Pacific NW, are very concerned about the environment, global warming, dependence on cars and foreign oil. We don't want to see our natural treasures, those areas like Helvetia, covered with cement, buildings, houses. This destroys the vary reason why many of us, including my family, chose to call this area home.

A little more about Helvetia...we spend a lot of time in Helvetia because of it's proximity to our house and its fabulous beauty and bounty. This is where we pick blueberries, rasberries, marionberries, blackberries, peaches, apples, pears, corn, tomatoes, flowers, lavendar, pumpkins and look forward to doing so with our family every single summer and fall since we moved here in 1999. Not only is some of the highest quality produce you can find, it is affordable, and has taught our kids where food comes from and the value of farming. We have purchased farm fresh eggs and even bought a quarter of a cow last year for meat from a local farmer. Both of my kids attend West Union Elementary and have gone on numerous field trips in Helvetia area, to a dairy farm across the street from the school to learn where milk comes from and to local pumpkin patches in the fall. This provides them with hands on learning opportunities and memories that they will have forever. My wife and I feel that this is important knowledge that they can take with them through the rest of their lives. One other very special tradition that we have is to head to Helvetia after Thanksgiving to cut down a fresh Christmas tree. My wife insists that we have candy canes in hand, xmas music on the radio and we usually visit 3 or 4 xmas tree farms each year because it is so fun and part of the experience.

As a resident of Hillsboro and Washington County, I think it would be an extreme shame and disappointment if you don't do everything within your power to protect the treasures of our community and allow an area as unique and special as the greater Helvetia area (from Cornelius Pass to the far side of North Plains and North of Hwy 26) to be replaced by commercial, industrial or residential subdivisions. There are many other less appealling and agriculturally productive areas of the greater metro area that can accommodate future growth.

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This area is what makes living in the Portland Metro area so wonderful. No matter where you are, you can take a short drive and be in beautiful lush farmlands. I've bought my Christmas Trees at Helvatia Winery for years and am passing this tradition on to my Neice and Nephew. It would be devistating to drive through housing developments to get there instead of the beautiful scenery that exists now.

Please vote to keep this a RURAL wonderland as it is - families all over the area will be so appreciative!!

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Let me tell you a personal story: I have been working with homeless youth services for the past 15 months. Recently, I took a group of young people from services out to one of the small farms north or Highway 26. It was a packed trip: we had to turn youth away; everyone wanted to get out of the city and go to a farm. When we got off the highway, the mood in the car changed from rowdy and wild, to calmer, focused and (comparatively) reverent.

We spent only a few hours out there; some of the youth asked the farmer if they could come back:

"I'll walk back if I have to". Others had questions about the meaning of organic, and what it is to buy local food. The trip home was peaceful, and afterwards, youth were talking about it and thanking me constantly.

The farms in this area serve as support for urbanites in many ways: they provide inexpensive, local and organic food; they allow Portlanders who pride themselves on their sustainability ethic to live within their values; and they provide relief from the stress of the city, to all city dwellers who care to come visit. As a New York native, I am fully aware of how different this is from other cities, especially the city I came from. We don't have farms 20 minutes from the city. We usually have to import organic products, from several hours away, to several days. Often from Oregon.

Please do anything you can to avoid endangering this farmland.

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# August 27, 2009

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

Keep Helvetia rural. Fertile farmland such as this is a rapidly shrinking natural resource we can't afford to destroy.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the

existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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As a former resident of Washington County and current resident of Columbia County I often take drives or go on bike rides along Helvetia Road, Jackson School Road and the surrounding hills. This seems exactly the reason we should preserve this area from development - to prreserve this beautiful and tranquil area for everyone to enjoy.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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Greater Helvetia is a place of true regional, cultural, and historic significance. Helvetia (Latin for 'Switzerland') was named by Swiss and German immigrants in the late 1880s. Earlier settlers farmed the lowlands from 1840 on. The Kalapuya speaking Atfalati Indians made the area part of their seasonal rounds for centuries. There are numerous cultural sites of significance: Five Oaks, the Logie Trail, and Native American burial sites.

I do not think we can undervalue the importance of open space that is now our forests and the land we

call "the country". For those of us who do not live there, being able to drive or walk through that environment is a source of refreshment and beauty. We need that open space. Once it is gone we cannot reverse that decision. Thank you for your careful decision making.

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I grew up in Hillsboro and enjoyed my childhood of going out to Helvetia, taking weekend drives and

have many friends who live out there. I have spent many christmas seasons working at tree farms and for this to go away would be heart breaking. Helvetia and places like Helvetia are areas to go to unwind, clear your mind and see beautiful land. Thank you!

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

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I am a CSA (community supported agriculture) subscriber in SE Portland. Our family receives its vegetables every week from a farm located in this area, and it is important to our family that we continue to have the opportunity to purchase fresh, healthy, organic vegetables from our local community. We are proud to support our farmers. We need rural reserves to help feed the urban areas; especially as oil prices become ever more turbulent and food prices correspondingly go up. We have been CSA subscribers for five years now, and it is now more cost-efficient to buy our vegetables locally through a CSA than through a farmer's market or from the grocery store - rural reserves are important

for our region's food security.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

I have lived in this neighborhood for 30 years, and I have enjoyed bicycling on the back roads of the Helvetia area. My family and friends always look forward to a visit to the wineries and farms. It would

be a disaster to turn the area into another suburb. Please reconsider any plans to change this area from rural to developed.

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The Greater Helvetia area is the habitat of several herd of Roosevelt elk, providing connectivity to Forest Park and the Coastal Mountains. Bobcat, cougar, coyote, deer, and other fauna also call the Helvetia area home.

I am in favor of protecting this land from urban growth--for many reasons, including but not limited to the following:

This region is important plant and wildlife habitat. It would be a shame to disturb the beauty and purity of the area. The thought of construction taking place in such a serene environment is terrible. The urban growth boundary should by no means extend that far. The suburbs are already overrun with new residences being crammed into miniscule spaces, and the area of land in question needs to be protected from that. Then there is the issue of likely contamination to water quality or water quantity of any wetlands and so forth. Please say no to distrupting the serenity of such a beautiful, picturesque piece of our beautiful state, and thereby you will also be preventing the possible demise of many of our winemakers' and farmers' livelihoods.

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I am a resident of Multnomah County and have been supportive of efforts to densify the city and preserve farmland in our region and state. I have heard that the Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retains moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation. The idea that we would take this out of farm use and encourage more sprawling development does not seem like a good idea to me. We need a coordinated effort in our attempts to do things like provide jobs and housing in both Multnomah and

Washington counties. Using up our farmland for development is surely a quick fix that does not take into account future generations, especially given the possibility of greater numbers of people coming out here to live. Please show leadership by making decisions that impact all of us in the biggest, broadest and best way. Thank you.

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As oil prices continue to rise and climate change worsens it is increasingly essential that food be grown closer to home. Converting local farmlands to housing in areas outside the current growth boundary further exacerbates our current reliance on foreign fossil fuels not only by the elimination of local food production but by the increased distance which both people and goods must travel to support residences further from the urban core. There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the areas expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing

outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB. Please make the decision to help Portland stay close to it's roots and "grow up" not out.

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We cannot do away with all of the natural beauty that makes Oregon a great place to live. I believe higher density in within the Urban Growth Boundary is a far better solution than giving over our precious natural and agricultural land to development better situated elsewhere.

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I would very much like to see the helvetia area remain open agricultural land and not developed. We already have enough development and should protect what open spaces are left. Please take this to heart and preserve it as rural land. thank you

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

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The Greater Helvetia area is one of my favorite places in Washington County. My friends and family enjoy riding our bicycles, picking fruit, and seeing deer grazing.

With the current housing environment (plenty of inventory in our urban and suburban cities), why do we need to use the Helvetia area for the development of additional homes?? Keep the existing UGB and ensure we infill first before expanding to Helvetia.

Thanks! Aaron McBride Washington County resident

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The Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retain moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation.

I live between North Plains and Banks and can't help but wonder how long it will be until suburbia creeps into my back yard. It has already started and needs to stop. Do you really want to see Helvetia turn into the next Bethany? Please, NIMBY.

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We have lived in the Rock Creek housing development for I8 years. We have a tradition of picking out a

Christmas tree and chopping it down every year. We would really miss this opportunity! We also know people who live in the Helvetia area and would like them to be able to enjoy the place they have chosen to live.

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We are writing to you as resident and new farmer of Washington County, located just off of Helvetia Road on Logie Trail. We moved to the Helvetia area just this past December, 2008. We are considered the "new kids on the block" since most of my neighbors have lived here for 20 or more years, one neighbor for over 90 years!

We started looking for a new home last year and wanted to move our young daughter to a rural area where she can learn about farming, animals and a simply lovely way of life. Our goal was to move to

an area where she could grow up, know her neighbors and perhaps eventually take over our farm. Within a few weeks of us moving to Helvetia we already know more neighbors than we did in the city.

Helvetia was the place for us to live. Both my husband and I grew up in the Beaverton area and were familiar with Helvetia and have always wanted to live on farmland just outside of the city. Our home has many wild animals including elk that lay in our pasture. We can hear cows, sheep and goats from other farms. Recently we acquired 3 llamas. It would be a shame to see that go away to an urban way of life.

We are new farmers to the area and it will take time for us to establish our small farm, but the reason we moved here was for the people, history and general sense of community. Please carefully assess the extension of the UGB and Urban Reserves and what it would do to the many farms and families. We see what the other farms provide and it would be a shame to see that disappear, we hope to also provide for others in the near future.

Please do not target the farm land north of Highway 26 for urban development. There is great benefit to both farmers and consumers to have active farms in close proximity to urban centers, but great care must be taken to ensure that rampant urban growth does not consume this irreplaceable resource. We urge you to hold the line of urban reserves at Highway 26.

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The Greater Helvetia area is the habitat of several herd of Roosevelt elk, providing connectivity to Forest Park and the Coastal Mountains. Bobcat, cougar, coyote, deer, and other fauna also call the Helvetia area home.

I think it is vital to protect open spaces where they exist in less impacted areas. Metro can do create much more urban infill and vertical development projects, combined with incentives for solar, wind, and rooftop gardens that can help spur sustainable development all over America. If agricultural lands are

unused or unproductive, they can be returned to their natural state over time.

Preservation could in turn attract more ecotourism to the area and help revitalize the economy of Oregon and create badly needed jobs.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

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Please save Helvetia! We can't replace it! Oregon is a truly special place but covering all our farm land

with houses will ruin it!

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

Although I no longer live in the Portland Metro Area, I am a frequent visitor to the rural area near Helvetia to take advantage of the many opportunities to purchase fresh produce and to visit the wineries and alpaca farms. This agricultural area is critical for the continued availability of rural habitat for growing fresh fruit and vegetables. The area north of US 26 needs to remain in a rural designation

and not become gobbled up by more housing developments.

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I would be really disappointed if West Union and Helvetia got any more crowded.

I'm an avid cyclist, and I've been riding in the Helvetia area for years. I even have friends who got engaged while we were riding there! I call it proposal point. It's been a beautiful and safe place for me and my friends to ride.

I by produce at a CSA there (La Finquita del Buho), and sometimes go the the Skooch dairy for milk,

too. I've even bought wine out that way. I kind of feel connected to the land out there, so it feels good when I know the produce I'm eating was grown right there. It's important to my family that we are able to by these goods from local sources, and teaches my children good lessons in sustainability and responsible farming.

Traffic has slowly increased over the years on Helvetia. It's still a fantastic place to ride, but if the land gets developed out there, it won't be. Narrow roads, unsafe shoulders and blind turns will make it difficult for cars to pass safely in numbers. What is a calm, scenic place to ride would become a stressful unpleasant corridor to the next guiet route beyond the boundaries of development.

The Helvetia area is a treasure we hold dear. Rural areas and farmland close to the city limits are very important. Please consider this in your planning.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

We love the rolling hills and green farmland for what they represent--a value of the land. Our family receives most of our vegetables from a local farm. We'd like to continue doing so and we know others

would like to enjoy the same opportunity. If we do not protect this land now, future generations may never know the gift of eating fresh, local foods.

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Greater Helvetia is a place of true regional, cultural, and historic significance. Helvetia (Latin for 'Switzerland') was named by Swiss and German immigrants in the late 1880s. Earlier settlers farmed the lowlands from 1840 on. The Kalapuya speaking Atfalati Indians made the area part of their seasonal rounds for centuries. There are numerous cultural sites of significance: Five Oaks, the Logie Trail, and Native American burial sites.

We do not need to enlarge "Stump town," enough of Mother Nature's assets were destroyed let's not

continue the destruction for all of the plants, animals and people. Let's plan for the seven generations ahead of us and not be selfish today.

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

Please keep this areas just as it is. Farming is very important to the state of Oregon. Beautiful countryside.

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As a frequent visitor to the Helvetia region, north of Highway 26, I was shocked to learn of the possibility of urbanizing this fantastic area. Not only does it have a splendid rural feel so close to town, but it sports such scenery, wildlife support and recreational oppostunities that development of the area would be an absolute shame.

I urge you to carefully consider the proposal before you. Take in a bike ride, taste the fine wines and marvel at the scenery, this may persuade you that this step, once taken, is irreversable and will truly

harm the spendor of the area. Thank you!

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My name is Lynnette Trabosh and I have lived in Hillsboro all my life. I went to West Union as my Grade school. Although my family did not live in the community of Helvetia proper we lived close, my bus went through all of Helvetia it seemed before it dropped me off at my own door step on Scotch

Church Road. Helvetia has always been an area of beauty and wonderment, when I was a crazy teenager I used to drive the bus route I would ride when I was younger to just think about easier times. Now my friends, probably my best friends live there, and work there. He is a farmer, he works on land that has been in his family for over 100 years. 100 years! That is amazing, what is even more amazing is that he shares his life, his farm, his knowledge, and his love of farming with my kids, my husband, and me and others who show an interest. His wife often says that his hobby is his passion, and blessedly is his livelihood. I hope you decide to keep Helvetia as a rural reserve, there is a community there that wants to continue to thrive, please let them.

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I lived in Colorado up until 10 years ago and watched there as developers choked off farms and forest land. The area called Highlands Ranch, Colorado is now infamous for sprawl and was feature in National Geographic as an example of urban sprawl. I moved to Oregon to seek refuge from a lack of land use laws. Now I see these protections being eroded and will consider moving out of the area. It's a very sad thing to see our food and water security traded for short-term profits of developers who find it cheaper to build out than to plan carefully and build up. What happened to quality of life values?

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

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As a former resident of the Portland metro area, I hold a special appreciation for the urban growth boundaries and the reservation of areas such as Helvetia as Rural Reserves since I no longer have access to such resources living 3000 miles away. The citizens of the Portland metro area are quite privileged to have had local governance with such foresight to set aside Rural Reserves and set strong regulations on land use within those reserves. Those of us who live elsewhere in the US do not have the joy of driving just a short distance from a vibrant urban setting to pristine rural lands where the beauty of nature and the bounty of agriculture can be so readily experienced. Washington County is

indeed unique because of these Rural Reserves, and re-designation of the land use without the agreement of the current residents endangers an integral part of the lifestyle that makes Portland one of the most desirable places to live in this country. As you work to reconsider the proposals to redraw the lines between Rural and Urban Reserves, please consider the desires of the residents who made the choice to meet the requirements of living outside of the UGB in Helvetia and made the area the jewel of Washington County.

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I support designation of the Helvetia parcel as Rural Reserve under OAR 660-027-0060(4). This land has long had a strong agricultural base, and thus is very well-suited for agriculture for at least the next 40 years. This land provides excellent habitat for flora and especially for fauna, which are diverse in this area; and also affords excellent recreational opportunities.

Clearly, in the absence of Rural Reserve designation, this land is vulnerable to urbanization.

I am a supporter of local agriculture and was on the board of my local food co-op (not in Oregon) 20 years ago. Also, generally I support increased residential and commercial uses, but this is not the place or time for that.

Land use decisions require a weighing of factors, and the factors lay heavily on the side of Rural Reserve designation.

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The Greater Helvetia area is meditative and therapeutic: a close-in rural setting that allows decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives. There is a strong sense of place among area residents and visitors alike. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond.

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Greater Helvetia is a place of true regional, cultural, and historic significance. Helvetia (Latin for 'Switzerland') was named by Swiss and German immigrants in the late 1880s. Earlier settlers farmed the lowlands from 1840 on. The Kalapuya speaking Atfalati Indians made the area part of their seasonal rounds for centuries. There are numerous cultural sites of significance: Five Oaks, the Logie Trail, and Native American burial sites.

It does not seem necessary for Helvetia to turn into an urban community. Portland is close enough, and

is an urban oasis. Lets keep the land of Helvetia sacred. Please respect the earth. Our world is in crisis and why would you want to be responsible for adding to this? Seems crazy. Please preserve all the beauty and good Helvetia has to offer. Thank you.

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As a fourth generation Oregonian and Washington County resident my objections to including the Helvetia area in the urban reserves include: loss of a thriving agricultural community, loss of the "livability" qualities that attract individuals and industry to the metro area, more restrictions on basic resources, and the loss of my personal recreation.

I personally do not want to own a farm, but my husband and I wanted our children to be aware of the environment and where their food comes from. We want our grandchildren to have that opportunity

too. Our children learned to ride horses. They still pick u-pick peaches, strawberries, blueberries, and marionberries and go with us every year to cut a Christmas tree. We buy other flowers, fruit, and vegetables from local stands. Adding the Helvetia area to the Urban Reserves will eventually take away those opportunities for many families.

My family still lives in the area because it only takes us twenty minutes to get downtown, I don't have to sit in traffic very long to get to the beach, mountains, the local farm to u-pick, or a quiet road to ride my bike on. My business can be easily moved, my spouse works from our home for a company overseas. Taking away local rural areas takes away my reasons for living and owning a business here.

I object to the continued sprawl without serious consideration of the impact on the entire infrastructure that must support it and how that infrastructure will be supported. How are the schools going to be funded when the current schools are not adequately funded now? Please do not try and tell me that the new industries and new residents are going to fund the infrastructure, because we all know that everything that gets impacted does not receive funding.

Hwy 26 is a mess, continues to be a mess, and will be a bigger mess if Helvetia becomes urban. There is no access to public transportation in Helvetia. I've lived in my home in a housing development in the metro area for over twenty years and I still have to walk over a mile to the nearest bus, or drive several miles to a transit center.

Where is the water coming from? What about water quality? The sewage systems do not get adequately funded. The streets in my neighborhood flood periodically. The street runoff goes directly to the streams. Every time the local area gets a new fast food restaurant, the local sewage treatment plant struggles to keep up with the waste. (Believe it or not, I have taken a tour of the local treatment center.)

Many urban families do not deal well with the wildlife that gets displaced and is forced to live in neighborhood green spaces. But, where is the wildlife supposed to go? I have had deer stuck in my backyard. My crazy neighbor traps squirrels, raccoons, and even skunks. The poor Fish and Game person got an earful because he would not help her catch the deer that live in our neighborhood and feed off of the roses and another neighbor's fruit trees. I am not positive, but I do not believe that Fish and Game gets funded with urban development.

As an avid bicyclist I have ridden my bike in the Helvetia area with and without the Portland Wheelman. It is one of the few areas in the Metro area that still provides "roads less traveled on". The roads with picturesque, well tended, farmland that draw us out on the bikes for the peace and solitude that comes from pedaling away the frustrations of the week or day on a road with not much traffic. There are less and less roads like this in the Metro area.

I have watched the area from Sandy through Portland to Forest Grove become one long strip mall. Yes, we do need industry in the area. Yes we do need growth, but the decisions made have turned our wonderful metro area into one much like every other metropolitan area in the United States. I think if you really put your heads together, you can come up with something better. This is not Boston, Los Angeles, Chicago, or even Miami, but it will be no different if we do not stop eating up every inch of forest and farmland to build housing, industrial parks, and strip malls. If we need to build, we need to build up, infill, or replace unusable with usable buildings. We do not need a long line of strip malls all the way to the Coast Range. We can do better and we need better decisions from you.

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To Whom It May Concern,

Normally I receive and review requests and oppositions to rezone or redesignate land in our county, so it is rare that I comment on a rezoning request or a redesignation request of any kind. I'm Pete Sorenson, Lane County Commissioner, and I'm submitting these comments on my own and not part of Lane County government.

Like a lot of Willamette Valley residents, I travel up and down the valley. I live and work in Eugene, but my daughter and son in law live in Washington County and I visit the Portland Metro area often for both work and pleasure. My brother lives in the Portland metro area, as does my neice. I've been to the land involved in this possible redesignation many times.

As I'm sure you know the area around the Helvetia Winery in Washington County is among the most prized lands in Washington County. What you also need to understand is that this portion of Washington County, in mmy opinion (and I've probably help to adjudicate more land use decisions that any other person in Oregon) is one of the State's most prized possessions, and it is critical to keep the area north of US 26 in a rural designation, to avoid it being gobbled up by yet more single family housing. To have this prime agricultural land so close to greater metropolitan Portland is essential for providing fresh local produce, respite from the urban envionment and open space to be admired and enjoyed by all. The land around the Helvetia Winery still maintains abundant wildlife species and open space, and I urge you to give it the rural designation it deserves.

Very truly yours,

Pete Sorenson Lane County Commissioner

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I have only lived in the Helvetia area for 31 years, I am a relative newcomer compared to those third generation farmers who are currently tending to their family land and heritage. However, my grandfather and father farmed in the Tigard area for over 80 years so I am familiar with people whose hard work and dedication result in a productivity that benefits everyone. I would like to offer several observations to the Reserves Steering Committee for your review.

I worked for nearly 20 years at Tektronix in Beaverton, from 1972-1991. I remember well when the

work force totalled nearly 26 thousand worldwide in the late 1970's. Then, the company began to face challenges from new competitors. Many of their own engineers left to start their own business. The result was the employee count began a steady decline. Today there are fewer than 3,500 total employees. Several of the buildings constructed at the Beaverton campus have been demolished, many are leased and some are vacant. I have attended several meetings during the past several months concerning the Rural Reserve process and leaders from the City of Hillsboro and Washington County are telling us that companies like Genentech, SolarWorld, Intel and the like are going to continue to expand and prosper. Although I would hope they continue to prosper, I don't think their continued growth is an absolute. In fact, I believe these companies will reach their peak employee counts in a relatively short period of time and then begin to shrink in their number of employees. In today's global economy, competition is fierce and new competitors appear frequently. What were perceived as third world economies three decades past are now major economic rivals. When you consider land for expansion north of the Sunset Highway, I would hope you truely consider those actively engaged in agriculture. Your estimates for growth and expansion are only your best estimates, projections, and approximations. That is not the case with all of the people you could impact. They are real, absolute, and prospering and they certainly are not seeking to expand their boundaries.

I have another observation reflecting on existing conditions at many of the high tech sites with respect to the number of vehicles at these various locations. When a person views these locations from the air, the number of vehicles parked in their lots is truely staggering. I would have thought when our local governments granted millions of dollars in tax credits to the companies they would have been in a strong position to insist these companies make use of the various forms of mass transit available. Huge expanses of land are devoted to parking spaces and not manufacturing. Two or even three tiered parking would have eliminated some of the parking sprawl and made much better use of valuable land. Think of all of the land that could have been more effectively used had there been concerted efforts to better use mass transit and errect parking structures that use available space more efficiently.

When a person travels west from Beaverton to Forest Grove along TV Highway, the word sprawl certainly comes to mind. Where do Aloha, Hillsboro, Cornellius and Forest Grove start and end? It seems one can only tell by observing the city limit signs. The city of Hillsboro, considering the actual population, really has a very small central core. Clearly, the flat land city and county planners so obviously cherish is actually very fragile and can easily be misused. Constructing buildings higher than one or two stories is something that should be practiced, as should infill. Done properly, they can better define a city and certainly make better use of available land.

I believe any intrusion onto these agricultural lands north of Hwy 26 would be truely destructive to the landowners. The economic contributions they make to their own households and the regional and state economy would be eliminated. More importantly, please remain cognizant of the lives of those who care for and farm these lands. I believe the balance of the scale must favor people, not projections.

Thank you to the Committee for your time and for your consideration.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

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The Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retain moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation.

My name is Calliope Sullivan, and I'm an urban farmer in Portland, OR. I have several seasons experience farming in more traditional rural areas in Southern Oregon, but due to not being able to find land to farm in a rural area, I now farm within the city of Portland. I am able to farm within the city

because my "farms" are backyards, front yards, and vacant city lots. The few areas I have to grow crops in are due to some rare urban residents here that see the coming food crisis and have decided to make a difference by allowing food crops to be grown on their property where there were once lawns. Sadly, the seemingly endless demand for new housing in Portland, as evidenced by the many lots that have been converted to cheaply built row houses just this season, will I fear make space for these urban farms less available.

The scale in which food can be grown in this urban manner is very small, even using very labor and resource intensive methods. Growing enough local food to matter within the urban growth boundary is just not a practical approach in the long term. What is a more viable approach is to preserve and revitalize the rural land that we have in our region. Did you know that the biggest obstacle in solving our food crisis is that there are very limited opportunities for the many new farmers entering farming to find land to use. These new farmers are largely young adults who are eager to farm in sustainable ways that produce quality, healthy food while restoring and improving soil and ecosystems.

If we as a region are serious about improving our independence in our food supply, and being able to feed the population we now have, we must stop destroying our rural areas to create more housing. More housing equals more people to feed, and less land to grow the food. There is a Native American saying that says if we continue to destroy our environment in the pursuit of money, soon we will only have money to eat.

I urge you to preserve what is our heritage, this amazing and beautiful land we call Oregon.

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The Greater Helvetia area is meditative and therapeutic: a close-in rural setting that allows decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives. There is a strong sense of place among area residents and visitors alike. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond.

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I work in Hillsboro now and also did in 1980. One of the reasons I love working here and visiting this area is the beautiful farmland landscape, the many birds it attracts, the openness and cleanness of the air and the quiet...away from the continual drone of life in a city or a housing / industrial area.

Let's think clearly about the long-term future of this area and of Oregon--let us preserve the beautiful land we have and the ability to grow food for the people who live here locally! If it's important to construct housing, let's be smart about it and build up a bit...low level condo communities near the Max

so that we can use the light rail transportation that we have and not clog up our highway with MORE cars.

Please consider all of the ramifications of changing the designation from rural to urban. Think with your heart and with your mind (about other creative methods to get the housing we need) and don't take the easy way out.

Thanks you.

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My family and I moved to Washington County 31 years ago. We moved to Aloha in 1971 from a congested, polluted area in Elizabeth, New Jersey. Aloha was then, a beautiful ruarual area.

In the late 70's and early 80's growth and progress came to Aloha. And the crime and congestion followed it. Because of this urban growth we moved out of Aloha in 1981 and to Banks, Oregon, a very rural area with low crime and congestion. After raising a family we decided to downsize and move from the area.

Our children still reside in Washington County. The best times of our life were visiting the U-pick farms, taking the scenic drives and exploring the woods, rivers and wild life. In the winter time we would go to the tree farms to cut our own Christmas tree. A lovely family outing.

It is appalling to us to know that the Helvetia area and western Washington County will experience the same growth of Aloha and Beaverton if this bill were to pass to allow urban growth. The rural areas need to be preserved for many livelilhoods and for our children.

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This area is a treasure to the entire Metro region.

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# August 29, 2009

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

During my near 20 years as an Oregon resident, I have become a believer in the land use planning that has helped to both save prime agricultural land, and encourage homes and development in urban areas.

Locals and tourisits can live/stay in a vibrant downtown community while still accessing the nearby countryside for their pleasure. And the diverse agricultural industry, in it's many forms can continue to prosper.

Within this framework, 15 years ago, I began a winery touring company, (Grape Escape), that benefits from that planning and Oregon's growing reputation for sustainability, and now as a hot spot to visit. It's been quite a ride.

What we've witnessed. The business community can reap the benefits through both agricultural and tourism dollars. Each year, we see the number of tourists visting Oregon in general, and the wine country as well, growing dramatically because of the things we have to offer. Call it The Oregon Bounty... if you will.

People come from diverse areas, that have been squandered. Once here, they revel in what we have, and they wish their areas had done the same. They spend generously on food, wine and accomodations.

As always, a drumbeat to develop prisine land for business parks, is tempting. However, just looking at today's econcomy, and the slump in hi tech, might lead one to believe that a balance with traditional industry, hi tech, agriculuture and tourism makes sense. That would insutlate from economic ups and downs. And that's why making wise use of land is imperative.

Currently, there is talk of expanding the urban growth boundary line to include the area near Helvetia. In doing so, you may kill a potential golden goose.

Nearby, in Yamhill County, the powers that be encourage agriculture and the wine industry. The results are astouding. A new resort in Newberg is generating tremendous enthusiasm, and customers from near and far are on board to come.

Meanwhile, in Washington County, home to many wonderful wineries, prisinte farmland, and roads, that are the nearest to the Portland Metro, it could be an opportunity is being wasted.

My suggestion. Save pristing areas such as Helvetia, and help make the entire area more vibrant with a mix of agriculture, wineries, golf courses, etc. that will bring tourism dollars. Add to that, restaurants and accomodations that will be a draw, and the trickle down to your entire community will continue to benefit all for years to come.

Oregon is gaining a national reputation for sustainability and the things it has done right. We love bringing people to the wineries in/near Helvetia, and hope to continue to do more in the future. That will only be possible if Hevetia remains a pristine area that people will want to visit.

Sincerely,

Ralph Stinton Grape Escape 503.283.3380

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The Greater Helvetia area is meditative and therapeutic: a close-in rural setting that allows decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives. There is a strong sense of place among area residents and visitors alike. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond. I want my grandchildren to be able to experience farms and a rural setting that is fast decressing in the metro area of Portland and its surroundings towns. Fresh fruit and vegetables are important to a health life for me and my family. Please leave this area alone to preserve what

generations have kept alive.

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I am also a cyclist and use the area proposed as Urban reserve as a safe route for riding my bicycle. If this area is allowed to be polluted by new urban development, this would destroy the bike route of

hundreds of cyclists.

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Greater Helvetia is a place of true regional, cultural, and historic significance. Helvetia (Latin for 'Switzerland') was named by Swiss and German immigrants in the late 1880. I am a descendant (great, great granddaugher) of Jacob Yungen. My family came to Hevetia in 1889 settling on the land which is now home to the Helvetia Winery. My grandfather was born in the house which is now used for the tasting room of the winery. Many of Yungen family are buried at the cemetary by the church in Helvetia. Please keep the designation of Rural Reserve for the Hevetia area. It is a beautiful, fertitle

area just a few short miles from the hustle and bustle of city living. The rolling hills offer beauty to many who want to escape that kind of life but also produce food for our tables. We must stop urban sprawl or we will have homes lining Hwy 26 all the way to the coast. And it needs to stop at Helvetia. Who will produce our food products when all the land left is unfarmable?

Please do not change the boundary to Urban Reserve. Let us have places to go where it is not one house or industrial park after another. Let us enjoy the farm life.

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Our family enjoys going to Helvetia to cut our Christmas tree every winter and to pick berries in the summer. I love just driving through some of the farmlands to show my children the horses, cows, and sheep. It is a beautiful area and should be preserved for generations to come.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

I have been purchasing farm fresh eggs from my friend and local small farmer for the better part of a year now. My children have become better stewards of the earth after "picking" the eggs from the nesting boxes and saving all of our produce peeling, old lettuce, melon rinds etc. to feed the chickens

on our weekly trips for eggs.

They now see the beginning and the end of part of our food chain. Please keep this for all the children to see.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

Keeping this area as it is now is extremely important in maintaining livability instead of making it yet another urban sprawl. To be able to have easy access to green fields, u-pick farms and wineries is part of what makes living here so great. I have been going to West Union farm for over 20 years, it is the only place around here to get good reasonably priced berries and produce. Although the farmers markets are great, they are to expensive for most families like ours to patronize on a regular basis. The farm stands that used to spring up around the area are gone. Please, please keep this area rural.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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I would like to see the farmland north of Hwy 26 set aside as a rural preserve. I value the farms that are there. I belong to one of the CSA farms and it is an important part of my life to be able to live so close to where so much of my food comes from. I have input into what gets grown, can take part in the process of growing it, and care about the people who farm this land. I feel there are ways that more efficient use can be made of the areas within the Urban Growth Boundary.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

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Having biked miles of it's roads, picked much produce, driven from NE Portland to Helvetia Tavern just for what Helvetia has to offer, I ask that you consider other alternatives to developing this area.

This gorgeous area with peace, quiet, and amazing views of farmland and fields should be preserved. Hillsboro should grow up, not out.

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One of the things that drew us to this area is that the communities appeared to respect the land and what it can provide its inhabitants locally, that you'd figured out that a community thrives best when it uses its land not just for housing development but for feeding the people who live there and providing rich agricultural related economy for the locals as well. We've lived in places that paved first and ask questions later - the developers make their dollars and move on to convince the next community to let them in, and there is no recovering farmland once you've given it away. The Helvetia region is a gift,

offering locally grown produce to people who wish to leave a small footprint on our planet and offering local people meaningful livelihoods. We need to protect it, not sacrifice it.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

My family and I live North of Hwy 26 near Beaverton and Hillsboro. We love the area we live in for many reasons, one is its close proximity to Portland and all that a busy metropolitan area offers and another is the accessibility we have to rural areas and all that they offer. We love taking guests to local

wineries, farmers markets and picnic spots.

We are so fortunate to have a bit of both in our little corner of Oregon. It is important to preserve our rural areas and support the local farmers who are trying to make a living, support the earth, promote their community and provide us with good food. As our environmental quality of life degrades from the persistent and continuous use of pesticides, chemicals, gasoline and other types of concoctions it is important to attempt to move away from that model. We need to consider how we can support products grown close to home, support the people in our community and promote organic practices. We are all becoming more aware of the "locovore" movement. I am proud to say my family and I try to support our local farmers and growers by purchasing food from farmer's markets and produce stands. We have been members of a CSA for the last 10 years and we love it.

While we do have concerns of population growth, we must come up with creative ways to use land that has already been developed. We need to look at further infill, denser housing and housing options that are near light rail and public transportation. There are many parts of the world where this type of housing not only is common but thrives.

It is important for me to pass on to my children the knowledge of how their food is grown. Strawberries don't just appear in the grocery store. This summer my children and I picked strawberries, blackberries and blueberries. My children love it. While we do this my children see how these berries grow, learn how it is hard work to pick them but so fun to eat them and we get to enjoy the fruits of our labor for the coming year by freezing the berries or making jam. It is such a wonderful feeling to be able to support the people in our community who grow much of our food. I absolutely love that much of this is practically in my backyard and it is beautiful. It is so gratifying to drive through the rolling hills of the Helvetia area.

What we must strongly consider is that once these areas are developed and local farmers lose their livelihoods- we cannot turn back. We cannot decide we made a mistake and unpave the roads and replant mature trees and crops. Once it is done we have lost that parcel of diverse, agriculturally productive land. Already we are losing our natural areas too quickly to environmental degradation, urban sprawl and rapid development. Let's consider the issue carefully before making the ultimate decision.

The Helvetia area is a wonderful piece of Oregon, let's continue the movement of eating locally, supporting our community and living sustainably. Please save Helvetia from development.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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While the farmers and other residents of the communities of rural Washington County have an obvious stake in the land, many of us living outside the area are equally concerned about its preservation. My partner and I have been community supported agriculture (CSA) subscribers of Pumpkin Ridge Gardens for nearly a decade. Our weekly deliveries of fresh produce provide a significant portion of our food and we, in turn, are pleased to contribute to the farm's success.

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For about 10 years, our household has been getting fresh produce weekly from Pumpkin Ridge Gardens. Through them, we've connected with other area businesses that provide bread, nuts and other food the farm doesn't provide. It would be a great loss to us, to lose those wonderful resources.

Farm land near the city is a finite resource, without which the quality of life for the entire region would be lessened. We chose to pave rural land in Beaverton and Hillsboro, losing similar urban-rural

connections. I hope that you'll avoid the same mistakes in making decisions about the land north of Highway 26.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

This country has examples of plenty of urban areas who are getting this wrong. The Portland Area has been a beacon of hope and foresight in its planning. Please continue to create a great example of how urban growth can exist with strong and much needed protections for the farmland, greenspace, and way of life that make living in this environment so wonderful.

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Let me be brief: All local decisions should be locally made. I am a resident on Valley Vista Road and if I were asked for my vote on local expansion I vote no! The greater Helvetia area is a absolute treasure for Hillsboro. Developing this land for use other than farming is wrong for Oregon and is wrong for Hillsboro. Don't turn this into an expansion of California.

Thanks you

Robert Mangham Resident Valley Vista road

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The Greater Helvetia area is meditative and therapeutic: a close-in rural setting that allows decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives. There is a strong sense of place among area residents and visitors alike. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond.

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Aside from all of this wildlife, Helvetia is prime farmland that should not be covered up with development. With its proximity to the urban area it is priceless as a place where food is grown

locally. Helveltia has historic significance to Oregon with sites that should be preserved.

Thank you for helping to save our heritage and protect our future by preserving this area as a protected rural area.

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The setting of Helvetia is one of the reasons we moved to the North Bethany area. To continue to build would not only diminish a strong agricultural base, but change the very environment many of us moved here for.

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The area of Hillsboro that lies just south of Helvetia is a testament to the negative consequences of an "urban preserve" designation for the Helvetia area. The land to the South of 26 is an example of some of the most poorly utilitized land in the metro area, because it was converted from productive and valuable agricultural land into valueless urban sprawl of shopping centers and parking lots, not a well planned urban community.

The fact is that growth in the Portland metro area has already slowed, and is expected to continue to slow for the next decade (as noted in the front page article in yesterday's Oregonian) whereas Helvetia provides an irreplacable refuge for Portland area residents. Helvetia is famous for its beautiful country roads valued by cyclists for their quiet nature, and beautiful surroundings. I have taken visitors from all over the world to the Helvetia winery and its environs, and everyone comments on how incredible it is to have such a gorgeous pastoral retreat so close to the Portland suburbs.

The value of Helvetia to the quality of life of Portlanders, as well as the value for tourism and Oregon's wildlife is immeasurable.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

I live in Hillsboro and make a point to ride my bike and run in the Helvetia area twice a week or more. Never have I been more confused by a proposed urban expansion. What happened to Oregon being a model to the rest of the nation in managing growth and limiting sprawl? How is it that we are so

shortsighted that we would urbanize prime farmland and animal habitat without first trying to efficiently using the land withing the Urban Growth Boundary? Lets strive toward a brighter high density living based on Eco-friendly and smart building techniques. Not California like Sprawl and short-sighted Suburban housing developments.

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I am hoping that the money you are planning on spending to expand the Urban growth boundry can be used to improved developed area's of Hillsboro. The downtown area is nice but the surrounding homes could use some improvement. The money could be used to improve the schools and increase transportaion for low income families.

If you take away the Helvetia and surrounding areas you will also be reducing the farming community

that supplies our greater portland area with food. We need to feed the world not destroy our income source. Also if you take away farming you are also taking away supporting business as well. People who supply equipment, seed, and workers ect. Local farmers have been here for generations and destroying that would be tragic to our commiunity.

There is many areas to grow our housing needs but the atmisphere of the Helvetia would be distroyed if we change things.

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This farm land is extremely important to me as I have been a member of a CSA located in Helvetia for 5 years now. Although I live with my family in NE Portland, every week, from May to November, we journey to the farm to collect our share of the wonderful, fresh, organically grown produce. The farm, La Finquita del Buho, is central to my family's life and our health. My daughter, now seven, has grown up learning about where her food comes from, connected to her farmers as extended members of our family. She knows that farming is hard work, and understands the cycles of life on a farm. This

experience is part of what makes life in Portland marvelous, part of the reason we have decided to call Portland home. As a city dweller, I value increasing urban density over the development (and permanent loss) of rural, agricultural land.

Any projected population growth should be accommodated by requiring infill and more efficient use of urban and industrial areas within the existing Urban Growth Boundary.

Since all of the candidate Urban Reserve areas north of Highway 26 are within three miles of the existing UGB and are Foundation agricultural lands, I request that Washington and Multnomah Counties designate these areas as RURAL RESERVES under OAR 660-027-0060(4).

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My husband and I live in rural Multnomah County on Germantown Road, just east of Washington County. We own twelve acres where we maintain over 30 fruit trees plus 9 acres of forest/wildlife habitat. It is our goal to protect and conserve the area's natural resources as well as agricultural lands and to curb the effects of global warming. Along with many of my neighbors, we see ourselves as stewards to native plants and wildlife: owls, pileated woodpeckers, downy woodpeckers, spotted towhees, elk, deer, fox, trillium, huckleberry, cedar, douglas fir, vine maple, nine bark, elderberry,

fireweed and much, much more.

Over the years, residents of this area have maintained productive farms, gardens and orchards, raised chickens or other livestock; providing food not only for family and friends but for the community as well. The agricultural/rural lands of Washington County are a vital part of our neighborhood. Not only do they provide services to our area, they also provide jobs and employment. For example, the vineyards are not just producers of grapes, but also are a place that provides entertainment services, weddings, conferences, musical events. It is a great resource that allows for industry in the food and entertainment arts to find a viable source of income.

Take heart and listen to the healthy aspect of maintaining agricultural/rural lands. There are many young people who wish to participate and put energy into these enterprises. Organic gardening and food production is big. There are many of us who buy local and wish to continue with that model of consumption. We are moving forward and the success of this model can be seen in every grocery market here in the Portland area as well as other parts of the country. Keep your vision clear. Prime agricultural and forest land is a rare commodity that cannot be easily restored once it has been trampled on. Let's think about the next two generations of children and what we leave behind for them.

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The Helvetia, West Union, North Plains area is representative of what Oregon is meant to be. Simple, country living with a close-in rural setting that allows decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives.

My ancestors (Vanderzanden clan) came to this area many, many years ago from Holland. They settled here for farming and small community lifestyle. Many of my relatives still live here and are raising our families in this area. We value the lifestyle of this area tremendously.

I believe this area should be protected from overcrowding and over development. If people want to live in a city, they can move to a city.

I also believe the legislature should create a law that restricts who votes on land use matters. In order to protect and preserve Oregon, shouldn't Oregonians get to make the decision? I mean real Oregonians, how have lived hear for a length of time and truly love what our state has to offer. I have met many people who moved here because of work or because it was pretty, but then they complain about things and want to turn it into their old state, whether it be California or New Jersey or Indiana or whatever.

Please recognize your duty and responsibility to protect a little piece of Oregon. Thanks you for your consideration. Sincerely, Randy Thompson

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I am an artist and my husband is a landscape designer. Living on the north coast, we regularly visit the Helvetia area to buy produce and marvel at the beauty of the exquisite countryside and farmlands. Sadly, we have watched much of the beauty and habitat of our own area be turned into big box stores, half empty housing and other thoughtless development. I would hope you would learn from the mistakes of others and have the foresight to stop that happening to Helvetia while you still can. If you cannot do it for the aesthetics or the conservation of habitat, then please consider the renewed

emphasis on how important it is for health to eat locally grown food in season, an understanding that was forgotten in recent decades as we were seduced by tasteless out of season produce imported from other countries by the big box stores. If Helvetia disappears, we all lose.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Helvetia is what many of us living within Hillsboro consider a small gem of land \*over yonder - very close to home that should remain As Is. The pollution in this town is out of control, and that is all due to population growth !!

I am a native Hillsboro resident and I have watched this town grow too fast, and it is time to Stop! Let the people utilize what has been built up here or move on.. Consider the implications of pollution and

living beings health over all else... Hillsboro is out of control, and reminds me now of a Greedy Entity taking at every open gate. Taxes are out of control for size of plots.

Please just stop, or slow down and let the wildlife be, and those who enjoy clean air the right to it!

Please do what is Right in the minds of many with an environmental consciousness.

Thankyou.

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I believe based on the data presented by the county [1] that the allocation of the urban and rural reserves are misplaced. The current proposal sacrifices regions of healthy agriculture for uncertain, and unlikely growth in manufacturing industry coupled with an unsustainable spread of urban sprawl.

• The Helvetia region has little infrastructure to support an urban environment, and installing appropriate transit routes would disrupt larger urban planning goals. There are few roads apart from

rural byways, all which are unsuitable for the higher traffic densities that exist near to a heavily populated area. There are few Trimet routes that reach the area, and it is remote from any light rail or public transportation hub. The highway that it exists on itself is an impediment to adding mass transit routes to that area. While it could be argued that additional road capacity could be introduced with new housing development, in the past development in Washington County has not followed this pattern. Instead growth has been more similar to the area bounded by Laidlaw Road and Bethany Boulevard north of Highway 26. While being developed for housing, street patterns were laid out specifically to avoid adding additional through-ways and are instead in a laid in a twisting pattern between pre-existing rural roads.

- Washington County's growth estimates are inappropriate for initiating new construction in the area. To estimate future growth of the county's employment opportunities, the Washington County Planning Directors relied solely on employment trends from 1970-2000. This period is highly unusual since it covers the creation of the "Silicon Forest" of high-tech companies in the region. These thirty years of bear economics are not representative of sustainable growth; instead they flag a decline in population. By choosing a time period that ends before the "Dot Com Bubble" burst, they fail to capture that high tech employment has declined over the last decade. Since the termination of the employment report, Tektronix has been acquired by Danaher Corporation that will move its operations out of the state, IDT has shutdown their factory in Hillsboro, and overall employment in this sector has fallen below 1996 levels. Intel, the area's largest technology employer, may be the best barometer of the situation; Intel has completely cleared out two of its sites in the county, abandoned its plan for a new facility on West Union Road, laid off 10% of its employees, and is in the process of shutting down one of its factories. In the face current trends and in the face of common sense, it is absurd to project regional job growth based on the beginning and peak of a transient boom.
- The boundaries of the urban and rural reserves appear to have been created without considering the suitability of the land to agriculture. Almost the entirety of the proposed Urban Reserve is located on soil which is classified as Class I or II; which in the soil survey is defined as "Few (or Moderate) Limitations on Agriculture". Conversely, a large swath at the western end of the proposed Rural Reserve area located on soils surveyed as Class VII or VIII which are defined as ""Very severe limitations for agriculture" or "unsuitable for cultivation." It is perverse to reserve productive land that can be used for a multitude of crops as a housing area, then reserve for agriculture soil that is of poor value for agriculture.
- Much of the proposed urban reserve covers areas of silt loam soil that area rare and ideal for agricultural production. Soils are produced by geological processes over multiple millions of years. Construction of housing or office space is highly destructive to the structure of soil due to the weight of the structures and heavy machinery used construction. Once the internal structure of a soil has been destroyed there is no process to restore it on a human time scale. Even if land that had be urbanized and constructed on were to be returned to agricultural use, its productivity would be permanently impaired.
- The study to determine the urban reserve is too reliant on industry groups that have a vested interest in reserving land for urban development. The suggested urban reserve heavily leverages the growth suggestions and language of the National Association of Office and Industrial Properties. Membership in NAIOP is composed of the heads of companies in the areas of construction, real estate and property investment. All of these stand to profit directly from any decision to increase the land area dedicated to urban construction. This creates a conflict of interest as they will be inclined to support any urbanization regardless if it constitutes sustainable growth in the county.

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I love the area and remember when it seemed remote- it doesn't seem that way anymore with the area in Bethany becoming so developed. I had an art sale at a Helvetia friend's home near the Christmas tree farms and was so charmed by the land and people that live in it. It is precious and unique- please keep it rural and protected. Thanks- Page Clothier

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While I don't live in Helvatia, I find myself there often for bike rides, jogging, fresh produce farms... a

quality of life unique from anywhere else. Please preserve, and support, this agricultural community!

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land. Having grown up in the area I value the memories of where I grew up. Seeing my families farm get swallowed up on SW 173rd between Walker and Baseline I can only say that there is no good that comes from this poor land management. Take note of what some of the worlds best cities and urban areas are doing within the city limits of offering high rise living and

workplaces. We need to keep our fertile lands producing food not paving over them so that we can stymie what the earth was made for! Please pause for a moment and look at it from a different perspective. Nike, THPRD, Intel, have all taken away vital land that was fruitful and productive to our community. I am saddened by the consideration that this land, like many others, ar e being targeted. Think outside the box for once and build within the boundries only this time make it last. The decisions you make will affect our childrens tomorrow.

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I believe that farmland is the most precious resource we have and to decimate it with housing or

industrial uses is unthinkable. Once farmland is converted to urban uses it is forever lost to food and fiber production.

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Although I have only lived in Hillsboro for going on five years, part of my attraction to moving here was the proximity to farm land. Prior to moving to Oregon, I had lived for nine years in the Phoenix metro area and watched how quickly farms there were bought out and turned into residences, apartments, and commercial and business structures. The speed was terrifying.

Since moving here, I have had the opportunity to teach an Environmental Issues course as an adjunct

faculty at a post-secondary educational institution. Portland metro is used as an example of using an Urban Growth Boundary to prevent to sprawl of Phoenix and Las Vegas (and, of course, Los Angeles). I have been saddened to realize that the Urban Growth Boundary is not a real boundary. Expansion/sprawl/loss of farmland is still expansion/sprawl/loss of farmland, just at a slower pace -- which may make it more deceptive. Much of Hillsboro's charm is its agricultural character. When I lived in New England, those types of towns (close to Boston) were where one hopped on a train to go visit for a day. Please don't allow Hillsboro to become an extension of Beaverton -- promote development within the bounds of existing UGB and leave Helvetia alone!

Cindy Polsky Resident of Hillsboro

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the areai¿½s expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

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We desperately need to preserve what farm land is left in Washington County, where ever it is. Farm land is irreplaceable. We cannot afford to waste highly productive land by covering it with houses. The land I farm has been farmed by my family for 120 years, and while my farm is located well outside the Helvetia area, I am still very concerned about the fate of this land. I would be devastated if I was unable to continue farming this land because of development pressure. I feel protecting my land from development is one of my greatest responsibilities as a farmer. We are all very fortunate to live in such

a beautiful, and yet productive area. Development is irreversible. We need to protect what we still have!

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The present configuration of various agricultural uses of the Helvetia area provide a tranquil, beautiful, and serene refuge for both humans and animals. My family and I go there often, whether for wine or

blackberries or viewing alpaccas or a burger and brew. We all need areas of accessible rural refuge for both spiritual and educational reasons.

Helvetia is so well suited for the kind of agricultural activities and such a pleasant and welcoming place for urban dwellers.

We much preserve excellent soil to grow our food. We cannot expect our food to come from China!

Please preserve the Helvetia area as a Rural Reserve.

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With water being such a sacred resource it would be insane to put houses up on what is such productive farmland. We need to start using less resources, not more.

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Subject: Reserves testimony

Date: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 11:11:51 AM

# September 1, 2009

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I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

Born and Raised in Michigan, which contains 10 million people I can tell you first hand suburban outward expansion is not good for the economy, the environment, and the peoples happiness. Michigan is the leader in unemployment, mortgage default, and listed as one of the unhappiest states. Continued suburban expansion leaves the major metropolis (in this case Portland) to be dilapidated and over run with gangs, drug addicts, and the general filth. I love this great state and the typical American mentality of build build is no longer sustainable. Look at Japan, 1/2 the population of the USA and the

whole country is smaller than California. Continued expansion will hurt this great state of Oregon.

I cannot support any public official that votes in favor of continued suburban expansion.

Dominic Aiello Washington County

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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There is enough available land inside the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the area's expected growth over the coming 40 years. Developing inside the current boundary would also be less expensive for taxpayers. Metro studies show that developing outside the UGB is 2 to 3 times as expensive as (re)developing inside the UGB.

We need nonceongested more natural setting for hiking and biking. This is one of my favorite areas to

ride.

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I am not a homeowner in the Helvetia area but do live in the neighboring Bethany area. It is very important to me that Helvetia remain the beautiful rural area that it is today. One reason that Portland is such a fantastic place to live is because of the accessability of the rural amenities to those of us that live in the urban area.

My family and I have spent many hours picking fruit and cutting Christmas trees at the various farms and have gone for many afternoon drives to get away from city life and enjoy the beautiful scenery. It

would be a tragedy to lose Helvetia to high tech industrial plants or residential home sites.

Please keep Helvetia the beautiful country place that it is!

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My kids love the farmer's markets in the area, and there is no substitute for the proximity to great berry picking, exploring local farms, and the fall pumpkin patches and corn mazes. It would be a real shame to do anything that impairs the ability of the area's residents to enjoy all that. We are not an urban area and although we appreciate the proximity to Portland, also having access to a more rural way of life is why people like it out here.

The Greater Helvetia area is meditative and therapeutic: a close-in rural setting that allows

decompression from urban residents' busy and stressful lives. There is a strong sense of place among area residents and visitors alike. Helvetia is known and treasured throughout the region, the state, and beyond.

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Much of the proposed Urban Reserve land would be allocated for more "industrial sprawl", with one- or two-story buildings surrounded by vast acres of parking lots. We must force cities to use industrial land as efficiently as residential land.

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A native Oregonian, I revel in the fresh fruit, veggies, and locally grown products I share with my family and friends. I couldn't live without the farmers markets, the local tourism and influx of crazy yet

amazing people to this state and to this area.

That being said, every time life overwhelms me I head to the Helvetia area and regain a little peace, a little battery recharge and mostly just time to spend with the beautiful land I call home in my head and my heart.

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I live in NE Portland, but Helvetia is special to me, and a big part of what makes Portland special. It's no secret that many move to Portland for the proximity to the natural world. In an hour one can reach the beach or the mountains. But thanks to Helvetia, it takes less than an hour to reach untouched farmland, BY BIKE!

I work at Intel in Hillsboro, and spend my days in a cubicle, staring at a computer screen. Imagine the release, then, when I hop on my bike to head home, and spend the next 2 hours pedaling amid hay

fields, corn fields, horses, cattle, sheep, llamas, blackberries, etc, etc. Is there anywhere else in the country that I could do that? That within 2 miles of my corporate computer job I can be surrounded by natural splendor, with only the sound of wind and birds? Staring at hill after rolling hill, with hardly a man-made structure to be seen? It's a rare treasure we have in Helvetia, one that makes us unique, and we should not take it lightly or squander it.

Please reconsider any plans to allow development in Helvetia. Portland is a special place, but it would only take a few such "small" steps to turn this paradise into just another sprawling metropolis.

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It is the home to centuries-old migration paths and habitat sites for deer, elk, cougars, and a variety of other wildlife, and contains many large stands of historic White Oak trees (a Metro habitat of concern).

Our family has wide and deep roots in this area. My great grandfather immigrated to Helvetia, and our huge Swiss family has grown from there. My great grandfather built his home in Helvetia, and we still hold our family reunion at that home every year. Jacob grew grapes on his land, land which has become Helvetia Winery (in fact, there is a quote from Jacob Yungen written on the back label of every bottle of Helvetia Wine). That's 140 years of rural history that we treasure, in our far-flung but regionally-rooted family that now numbers in the hundreds.

Please protect this beautiful farmland that is so rich in history for our family, and for the Tri-County area. Let's protect our land from urban sprawl, and build more densely in urban areas, so we can all enjoy local food and local beauty, natural habitat, and protect our heritage.

Thank you for your work on this, Juliet Wyers daughter of Judy Wyers, former Metro Council Chair (2 terms)

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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To the Reserves Steering Committee and other interested parties:

I am writing with regard to the Metro and Tri-County Urban and Rural Reserves process.

I am concerned about the farm lands and natural resources north of Highway 26. This area is primarily Foundation agricultural land that currently provides the base for a healthy agricultural economy in Washington County.

The Helvetia area contains the finest Silt Loam soils, which are typically over 6 feet deep, without rock, and retain moisture very well. This soil and its depth allows for very impressive fertility and water retention. Farmers are able to grow productive crops without costly and scarce irrigation.

I am writing in support of saving the farmlands in the Helvetia Area. While growth and development are important in any society, it is equally as important to be able to preserve one's roots and the rich heritage that is passed down from one generation to another. Helvetia is such a piece of that heritage.

My relatives came to the area from Switzerland many years ago and helped develop and cultivate the lands into what they are today. Without them, the soil would not be rich with nutrients that give back to those who utilize it for food and other life giving substances. However more importantly, my relatives also helped cultivate the community into what it stands for today---strength, prosperity, and a deep sense of ethics and morality. Both parts (the soil and the community) of my families' heritage are necessary because they go hand in hand. By being allowed to work the land which in turn gives back to the community cannnot be separated. To take away one by allowing "updated" development would be like taking the breath away from a living soul. Not everything in life needs to be updated or changed. Some things are better left to how the Lord has made them and has appointed His people to be good stewards over them. Please reconsider your plans for this precious area; do not destroy, but be a part of helping to perserve it and allow it to continue to give back in ways that any new development couldn't do.

Thank you for listening and considering this request.

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I personally have lived in the halvetia area for over 10 years now. And I intend to live there for another 50. so, SAVE HALVETIA!!!

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Greater Helvetia is a place of true regional, cultural, and historic significance. Helvetia (Latin for 'Switzerland') was named by Swiss and German immigrants in the late 1880s. Earlier settlers farmed the lowlands from 1840 on. The Kalapuya speaking Atfalati Indians made the area part of their seasonal rounds for centuries. There are numerous cultural sites of significance: Five Oaks, the Logie Trail, and Native American burial sites.

It is important to me that Helvetia stay agricultural, not only for the farmers and people that live here,

but for the state as well. Helvetia's land is perfect for farming, but not for developement, please keep Helvetia agricultural!

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