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On Behalf Of:
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Measure: HB3414

I oppose the dash-17 amendment to HB 3414, which would allow an expansion of Urban Growth Boundaries that our land use laws do not allow. Oregon communities certainly have a shortage of housing, but expanding to build more single-family homes that most Oregon families cannot afford is NOT the solution. We need to use the land inside UGB's better, by completing infrastructure, modifying zoning restrictions, and promoting the creation of more types of housing that is more affordable. Expanding UGB's for sprawling development is never a good practice, but it's even more ill-advised as we move into a future of climate change and wildfires.