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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB4026

We oppose an insertion of an urban growth boundary amendment into HB 4026 and urge you to delete it. This amendment targets North Plains voters that want growth but not compete with Hillsboro on how much, where, and what kind. We also want to save the thriving agricultural and forestry businesses that surround us while adding compatible commercial, industrial, and affordable housing uses.

Please do not insert an antidemocratic process into HB 4026. North Plains' voters are trying to express their desire for conservative, not radical growth. The interests of powerful development and real estate concerns, plus land owners poised to make huge windfalls should be balanced with the desire for responsible and conservative growth within Oregon's rural areas.