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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: HB3414

We oppose the dash-17 amendment to HB 3414. We live in Canby. Canby is in the process of evaluating a future expansion of the UGB. It looks from what has currently been published (the study is not finalized to our knowledge) that a UGB expansion will be required over the next ten years or so in order to provide for demand. So UGBs can be expanded using the current process required by Land Use Goal 14 when the demand can be clearly demonstrated. The dash -17 amendment is not needed, we have a system that works now to meet need while preventing the sprawl that causes pollution, global warming, and paving over farmland. In addition, the dash-17 amendment allows local governments to avoid rezoning land and using currently unused land inside the existing UGB. We should maximize the use of land inside the current UGB rather than expanding.

Expansion of UGBs can be accomplished under the current system. Don't give in to a quick land grab by developers.

Thank you for your consideration

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