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Portland, OR 97239

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Sincerely,  
Roy Sendek  
31485 NE Wand Rd  
Troutdale, OR 97060

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

Thank you for your willingness to address climate change in your plans.

Please prioritize adopting a climate action plan now. An imperfect plan adopted now can be amended and improved in the future. Taking no action now will be harder to remedy.

Steps to include would be to limit development within the scenic areas boundary, prohibit conversion of forest areas to agricultural uses, increase protective buffers around sensitive habitat, and adopt higher energy efficiency standards for any new residential construction.

Thank you,

Chris Eykamp

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Christopher Eykamp  
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Portland, OR 97202

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The above suggestions are important to the health of the Gorge and the majority of people that you are representing. It is imperative that there be definite and enforceable procedures and policies.

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Howard Shapiro

2545 SW Terwilliger Blvd  
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5707 NE 15th Ave  
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2030 NW 7th Pl  
Gresham, OR 97030



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Donna Wehrley  
307 E 2nd Ave  
Mosier, OR 97040

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- Lyric Emmons

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As Columbia Gorge communities cope with the pandemic and the Forest Service wisely closes recreation areas, now is the time to make pro-active climate decisions. We've seen how climate and Covid are related.

We recommend that the Gorge Commission view climate issues as their top priority.

Cold Water Refuges: The Columbia River tributary streams have been designated by EPA as Cold Water Refuges they provide vital relief and resting areas for upstream migrating steelhead and salmon when Columbia River temperatures become overly warm. The EPA's models show an increase in tributary river temperatures unless measures are taken to at least maintain current temperatures or better, try to reduce temperatures. Forest practices that remove riparian shade trees can increase stream temperatures.

The Sandy River Delta has been a focal point of on the ground climate work that has included the planting of 1.5 million native trees and shrubs and a current experiment of planting regional native climate resilient plants with the goal of 2 million seedlings by 2025. My organization Trees of the Gorge is trying replicate the Delta's planting numbers in the mid-Columbia area and we recommend that Balfour Park and other public Gorge sites become centers for restoration.

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