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From: (b) (6)]
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2016 12:33 PM
To: HarborComments <HarborComments@epa.gov>
Subject: Hold polluters responsible and give Portland a healthy river

Dear Administrator Gina McCarthy,

Right now, the EPA's draft cleanup plan for the Portland Harbor Superfund Site lets polluters off the hook and condemns our river to never truly recovering from more than a century of accumulated pollution. The EPA needs to significantly revise its plan to clean up the Willamette Superfund site to restore one of our city's biggest and most important habitats.

1. EPA should select Alternative G with additional dredging in areas of high human use, areas of high ecological value, and areas where there is high risk of recontamination of the river.
2. EPA should set much clearer timelines and metrics for success including setting an explicit date by which Portland Harbor specific fish consumption advisories will be lifted.
3. EPA should select an alternative that allows all members of our community to eat fish safely from our river, including woman of childbearing age and children.
4. EPA's cleanup plan should include the heavily contaminated uplands as well as the heavily contaminated river.
5. EPA should do a much better job of addressing environmental justice issues, including reviewing and correcting significant deficiencies in its public engagement strategies for future phases of the Superfund process and delineating strategies for ensuring the jobs, economic benefits and other benefits associated with the Superfund process to the local community and particularly to underserved communities that have been impacted by contamination in Portland Harbor.
6. EPA should eliminate the confined disposal facility which would create a permanent toxic waste dump in our river.

Please put the community's interests ahead of the polluters and give us a restoration plan we can be proud of, and one that will give our children and grandchildren something we have never had: a clean river.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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