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This message originated outside of the City of McMinnville.

We are writing to implore City Council to NOT expand the urban growth boundary to any area of urban holding in the area of Redmond Hill Road nor ANY other area in McMinnville.

Development of these farm areas will be detrimental to all citizens of McMinnville.

-We do not have enough room in our schools for additional students. Just last year after adding all those houses near Hill/Baker Creek, the school bus drove right by my students because it was too full.

-We do not have places for additional residents to shop. Our stores are all very crowded and losing JC Pennys has put even a bigger strain on limited resources.

-In the area of Redmond Hill Rd we already have huge runoff problems, with many having to install expensive sump pumps since we over developed the surrounding area.

-The UH area in question is full of beauty and wildlife, as well as a hill that is sacred to Native Americans.

-People choose to live in McMinnville because of the natural beauty and open spaces.

-Our city is not an urban town, we can't support thousands of more residents with the limited shopping and recreation available.

-We can not put the builders' wants ahead of what is best for the environment and the citizens of McMinnville.

Do NOT expand the urban growth boundary. Put the environment and citizens first.

Thank You,

Aaron and Jennifer Wood