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To: [SWICC](#)
Subject: [External sender]comment on Far West Recycling - Hillsboro [#1]
Date: Monday, April 22, 2024 3:34:10 PM

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Zip code *	97123
What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *	Please do not renew their license. The facility backs up to a residential neighborhood and the noise level coming from the recycling center is extremely loud and so disruptive. When sitting outside or walking the trails all you can hear is the noise at the recycling center. It's time for them to find a new location.

From: [Wufoo](#)
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Subject: [External sender]comment on Far West Recycling - Hillsboro [#2]
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	OR
Zip code *	97123

What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *

Far West consistently violates local noise violations by participating in excessively loud operations past noise ordinance regulations of 9–6. I have filed several complaints to code compliance officers and police. They seem to operate until almost midnight often. Increasing the amount of materials they are allowed to process will lead to additional time needed and more late hours. Please make note that my neighborhood has been dealing with these late hours for years and many complaints have been filed. Code compliance officers need to visit after 10 pm sometime.

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Subject: [External sender]comment on Far West Recycling - Hillsboro [#3]
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Address	[REDACTED] Southeast Genrosa Street
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	OR
Zip code *	97123

What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *

FarWest Recycling in Hillsboro is now embedded in the neighborhood of South Hillsboro. They are a noisy recycling plant that works around the clock. Neighbors endure their noisy all the time. We have complained to them and to the local authorities many times when they have not adhered to the required "quiet hours" so that neighbors can sleep and they only seem to back off for a short period of time. I am not even in the closest neighborhood that backs up to their property. I feel so much concern for children who need to sleep to be able to be present in school. The noise makes having a gathering outside in your backyard on the weekend, difficult because of the noise. I understand that when they were first in Hillsboro, all of the new housing that has come to Hillsboro in the last 4 years or so wasn't here. However, the city/county approved all of these neighborhoods and need to also ensure livability of all of these properties. A business that produces the amount of noise around the clock that this recycling center does ---- does not belong in a neighborhood. PLEASE do not approve their ability to stay in their current location. Neighbors are not supportive. Thank you for listening.

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Address	[REDACTED] SE Genrosa St. Hillsboro Oregon
Zip code *	97123

What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *

Dear Metro Neighbors, While there may have been a time when the SE Alexander St. Location was an appropriate spot for Far West Recycling, that is not the case today. The South Hillsboro development means that this recycling business on Gordon Creek is now a significant nuisance to many of the homes in their vicinity. At our home on Genrosa Street, we are thankful to have a wonderfully quiet and peaceful neighborhood on Sundays. Other days of the week, the noise from Far West starts early in the morning and goes all day until early morning hours. I'm guessing you have checked with the City of Hillsboro regarding complaints about the noise. I know of at least a few times when the city has come out to check the decibel levels in the neighborhood. I've wondered if they have been there when a large bin of glass is being dumped from one bin to another. It's quite a crash. The large vehicles are far louder at 1:00 in the morning than TV highway. My neighbor tried to talk to the company about the noise, and told me Far West employees were intimidating and laughed about the concerns. The overwhelming impression is that they simply don't care... at all. They are not good neighbors, and should find a place to be where they don't give recycling a bad name. Thanks for listening! It is much appreciated.

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Zip code *	97123-5059
What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling - Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *	We appreciate your work but you are too loud very early and late in the day. It's hard to sleep in the morning or go to sleep with kids at night. Can you possibly limit your work hours to 8am - 6pm? Thanks

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Zip code *	97123

What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *

The area around this facility has changed dramatically over the last several years. The immediate area is home to families, childcare facilities, and schools. Recycling batteries can pose a serious risk to air quality and health such as:

Dust and Particulate Matter: Breaking down electronic devices and batteries can generate dust which may contain toxic metals like lead, cadmium, and mercury.

Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs): Some battery recycling processes can release VOCs, which are harmful when inhaled and contribute to air pollution.

Acidic Gases: Certain types of battery recycling can release sulfur dioxide or other corrosive gases, which can affect respiratory health.

It is impossible to contain all the dust and gasses that are inevitably released when processing batteries for recycling. With so many houses within 100 yards alone, the costs to human health are not acceptable.

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What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *	This facility should not be allowed to run the business all hours of the night, it is a nuisance and disturbs the peace.

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What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *	The noise from the business disrupts the neighborhood at night. Please move out of the residential neighborhood.

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What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *	As a homeowner located directly behind the facility just across the green space, we constantly hear noise from the facility at all hours and nighttime is the most frustrating!! We would prefer them to find a new location away from residential communities!! Thank you for this opportunity to submit comments on this decision.

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What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *

Metro West is a horrible neighbor, they consistently do not abide by the city noise ordinance running their operations from Monday about 6am till Friday 6pm without stopping. In the middle of the night and early morning hours we are often awakened by loud pops that sound like gun shots coming from Far West. We have contacted Washington County non emergency multiple times due to the unrelenting noise. You are welcome to come to our house and listen for yourself. We must close all our windows and run the air conditioner because when we open the windows of our home the noise is constant. This causes us to pay a higher utility bill and utilize natural resources instead of being able to open our windows and have cool air enter our home. Please for the sake of our community and our sanity deny their application.

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What would you like to share with Metro about the Far West Recycling – Hillsboro solid waste facility license application? *

The recycling plant runs at all hours of the night with disregard for local noise restrictions. Residential neighbors adjacent to the site and along Genrosa are awoken on a nightly basis from loud bangs, pops from containers being crushed and the dumping of materials at the backside of the building (or in the building with the overhead doors open). The application should be denied if the facility cannot adhere strictly to the local noise ordinances. I'm willing to make and provide records of the nightly noise if necessary.