

The University Park Neighborhood Association's Board and its Land Use & Transportation Committee support HB 2674 and encourage the House to pass this bill. The University Park neighborhood has about 7500 residents and includes the University of Portland. The neighborhood is located on a bluff above the Swan Island industrial zone with its large fleets of diesel trucks. Diesel engines generate more than half of the diesel particulates in North Portland at levels between 20 and 30 times the state health benchmarks. This impacts the health of residents and students and increases the presence of diesel particulates in the Willamette River and the local parks and open spaces. A DEQ study can provide needed research to quantify the impact of diesel emissions and suggest mitigation options. Please pass HB 2674.