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As a long time Eugene city resident I would like to see a ban on the use of gas powered leaf blowers in urban growth boundaries.

The noise and air pollution are unnecessary. With assistance and over time the gas powered machines can be replaced by electric ones.

Worker safety also needs to be considered, these are often low paid, minority workers, who don't have a voice of their own.

Their hours of exposure to the toxins is careless on the part of employers. Thank you for considering the short and long term effects of the pollution. Nancy Smith