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I haven chosen to oppose this bill for a few reasons. As many of you know that Portland international race way brings in millions of dollars of revenue to the area yearly and brings that this is a public park that money helps many of Portlands other expenses. By banning leaded race fuel you can almost guarantee that half of the the current participants won't be able to use their race cars/ dirt bikes/ road course bikes any longer. If that happens the track will loose support and ultimately close, which is what the politicians in Portland are aiming towards in the long run. What they forget is they will also loose the money the facility brings in year after year. The second part of this is the city already has a problem with street racing and many deadly accidents caused by it. If the facility is closed many will turn to the streets and that problem will grow even more. They blame low test scores related to leaded fuel but have absolutely no hard facts that is actually a result of leaded fuel. I truly believe it's a cop out and a low blow to get the facility closed down. It would be a lot more beneficial if the city did more about the Drug/ prostitution/ human trafficking/ and homeless issues it has in the area surrounding the track rather then this. Thank you for your consideration and time.