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I have been a Realtor in the Portland Metro area since 2006, and I primarily serve minority communities and first-time buyers. The need for something between condos (which are often unstable and/or out of price range for many simply because of increasing HOA dues) and a single-family home is incredibly important and much needed. We have focused far too long on "luxury apartments" which will likely be condo-ized as soon as the time limit for legal action against a developer has passed, and on ADUs which are used for short term rentals and which, even if used as long term rentals, do nothing to help people who want to PURCHASE their own home. Please consider the humble cottage cluster going forward.