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I'm absolutely on board with eliminating PFAS as quickly and thoroughly as possible, and establishing far stricter standards for chemicals generally in WA state. I'm 29, and I resent the way in which previous generations allowed plastics generally and deeply unsafe chemicals like PFAS specifically to not only circulate but become widely used and depended upon; I worry about the hemming and hawing in the plan RE: finding "safer" alternatives before phasing chemicals we know to be unsafe out. I understand this is reductive, but so what if people have to oil their pans better? So what if weatherproofing is less thorough? We cannot keep making awful health decisions with unknown consequences in the name of convenience and at the direction of market forces. Consumers will largely want what is cheap and convenient, but such choices have obviously had a deleterious effect on our health and our ecosystem. The market can't continue to control public and environmental health. You have the opportunity to stop the bleeding; on behalf of those of us who have to live on this degrading planet for several more decades, please seize it.