Climate Leadership Summit

Friday, April 1, 2011

8 am - Noon

Oregon Convention Center,

Room 256-257

Program

7:30 a.m.

Registration and light breakfast

8 a.m.

Moving toward a more climate smart and sustainable future with local solutions – Metro Councilor Carlotta Collette, JPACT chair

Climate change raises uncertainties for Oregon's economy and environment, but the policy choices the region makes can have a big impact. Today's summit kicks off an assessment of how to best address the issue in the context of growing the regional economy and creating more livable communities.

8:15 a.m.

A Region Ready for Action: Results of local public opinion research on climate change – Adam Davis, Davis, Hibbitts & Midghall

A leading pollster will tell us where Portland metro area residents stand on climate change and related strategies, based on research finished in recent weeks. Davis will explain the most effective ways to communicate about land use, transportation and climate change. Davis will use keypad polling to show us where participants at today's event stand on the issue.

8:35 a.m.

Q & A and group discussion/keypad polling – Adam Davis, facilitator

8:50 a.m.

You and climate change: a showcase of public and private leadership and innovation

Public and private sector leaders are building vibrant, prosperous and equitable communities – that also happen to address climate change.

Connie Ashbrook, executive director, Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. – Ashbrook describes the success of her organization and partners to provide green economy jobs for women and minorities who are often left behind.



Greg Chambers, director of climate and energy, Nike – Chambers discusses the business case for climate action, Nike's work on climate change policies and how it has changed business practices to address the issue.

Craig Dirksen, mayor, City of Tigard – Tigard's mayor will make the city's case for landing the region's next light rail line by building a walkable, vibrant regional center. This effort wasn't motivated by climate change, but climate policies could help.

Dwight Unti, Tokola Properties – Developer Unti will share the challenges and opportunities that came as he built apartments and a grocery store in downtown Gresham. Fully leased in the midst of recession, the project indicates market demand for climate smart development.

9:10 a.m.

Q & A and group discussion – Carlotta Collette, moderator

9:35 a.m.

Break

9:45 a.m.

What does a Climate Smart Community look like and how do we get there from here? – John Fregonese, Fregonese and Associates, Inc.

Learn which land use and transportation strategies are most effective in reducing carbon emissions and see what different land use and transportation strategies might look like in communities in the region and other places.

10:15 a.m.

Q & A and introduction to keypad polling exercise – John Fregonese, facilitator

10:30 a.m.

Discussion and polling activity – Tell the region what you think about potential climate smart solutions

Provide input on different approaches for meeting state targets with land use and transportation. Use your keypad device to rank strategies on their potential to advance your community's aspirations.

11:45 a.m.

What we learned today – Carlotta Collette

A wrap up of new ideas from the morning's discussion

11:55 a.m.

Working together regionally - What's next? - Clackamas County Chair Charlotte Lehan, MPAC chair

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