

 **Metro** | *Agenda*

Meeting: Natural Areas Program Performance Oversight Committee
Date: December 7, 2011
Time: 8 to 10:30 a.m.
Location: Metro Regional Center, Room 501

7:45 **COFFEE AND PASTRIES**

8:00 **WELCOME**

Linda Craig

8:05 **PROGRAM UPDATES**

Acquisition, capital grants and local share
Natural Areas Information System database
Stabilization
Natural area tours

Kathleen Brennan-Hunter
Brian Kennedy
Kate Holleran and Jeff Merrill
Kathleen Brennan-Hunter

Handouts

1. Dashboards
2. Financial report
3. Acquisition report with stabilization costs

Conclusions, questions for follow-up and recommendations

9:00 **METRO'S PORTFOLIO OF NATURAL AREAS, PARKS AND TRAILS:
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES**

Jim Desmond

9:50 **COUNCIL UPDATE**

Councilor Harrington

Handouts

4. Letter from Councilor Harrington

10:00 **OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WORK PLAN FOR THE YEAR**

Committee discussion

10:30 **ADJOURN**



Natural Areas Program Performance Oversight Committee

December 7, 2011

Committee members in attendance: Linda Craig (committee chair), Christine Dupres, Kay Hutchinson, Andrew Nordby, Norman Penner, David Pollock, Kendra Smith, Steve Yarosh

Committee members excused: Dean Alterman, Drake Butsch, Michelle Cairo, Walt McMonies, Rick Mishaga, Sean Narancich, Autumn Rudisel, Cam Turner

Metro: Councilor Kathryn Harrington, Kathleen Brennan-Hunter, Jim Desmond, Brian Evans, Heather Kent, Kate Holleran, Brian Kennedy, Jeff Merrill, Laura Oppenheim Odom, Hope Whitney

Welcome

Committee chair Linda Craig welcomed the committee and thanked them for attending.

Program updates

Acquisition, capital grants and local share

Kathleen Brennan-Hunter said there have been three acquisitions since the last committee meeting – one along Baker Creek in the Lower Tualatin River target area; a trail easement along Northeast Marine Drive; and 42 acres in the Rock Creek target area called Orenco Woods. She indicated several more are under contract and should close within the next several months. David Pollock questioned why the City of Gresham's commitment to build the trail was 3 to 6 years away. Kathleen explained that for some trails, the gaps have all been filled and are ready to build, and the jurisdiction has the money to do so. In other cases, the jurisdiction will complete the trail once adjacent gaps are filled, which is the case with this section of the Marine Drive Trail. Linda Craig noted that access at Orenco Woods was only rated as medium, and wondered if it would be rated "high" in the future. Kathleen said while there is no public access at this time, eventually the site will be a nature park. She noted that there is a MAX light rail station just west of the property. The dashboard and acquisition report are attached.

Kathleen said that the negotiators continue to discuss opportunities in the target areas where there have been few or no acquisitions. They have reviewed strategies and contacted landowners in those target areas. She said this review will be ongoing.

The deadline to submit full capital grant applications is in January. Kathleen indicated there will likely be 6-7 applications to consider. She said it was about a four month process for the capital grants review committee to review the applications and present them to the Metro Council for approval, and suggested inviting members of the capital grants review committee to the April Oversight Committee meeting to discuss the process and the current applications. Steve Yarosh, who is also a member of the grant review committee, said members engage in vigorous discussions about the applications and also go on site visits and often meet with applicants on site to discuss their projects. He invited Oversight Committee members to attend a meeting to learn more about the process. Heather Kent said the next meeting will be 10:30 a.m. to noon on Friday, Jan. 13. This meeting will be an opportunity to introduce new committee members, reflect on the program's progress to date and determine if any refinements to the process are needed before starting the next cycle. Linda asked to be included on the invitation list.

Kathleen announced that the cities of Portland and Rivergrove have made incremental progress in their local share projects; she had no other local share progress to report at this time.

Financial report

Brian Kennedy noted that, because of the way Metro's accounting cycles line up, the financial report (attached) is as of October 31, and there were few changes since the last meeting. Linda inquired about the direct admin staff costs, which seem to be substantially different than those reported at the last meeting. Brian said it may be a data entry error and will send an email to the committee with the correct information. He said Metro is still planning a small bond sale in late spring or summer to ensure the program has the resources to continue without interruption.

Natural Areas Information System database

Brian gave a short presentation on the new database, which will improve workflow, create a central depository for information (staff currently use more than 50 databases to track information) and support ongoing management of acquisitions. Linda asked whether the database will help with tracking how the region's ecological health is improving. Brian said that really isn't in the scope of the program, but the database *will* help staff track and monitor the progress of each property, and eventually the database will be linked to Metro's GIS database. Councilor Harrington asked if the database will interact with the biodiversity atlas. Kathleen said that the Regional Conservation Strategy will be a high level strategy and management actions on specific sites will be linked to habitat outcomes. Kendra Smith suggested that eventually the database may be able to interact with other databases, such as the one the watershed councils are beginning to use. David Pollock suggested investigating whether the system should be open sourced or sold to other government agencies – it could be a potential source of revenue as well as leadership. Linda asked if the performance measurement charts currently in use will be found in the new system. Kathleen said performance measures will be included. Brian said he expects Phase I to be complete in May 2012.

Stabilization

Kate Holleran and Jeff Merrill discussed the new function-based stabilization guidelines, which they are beginning to apply to Metro properties. Kate said the new guidelines have driven staff to develop new benchmarks. Jim Desmond thanked the committee for their help in developing the new guidelines. Linda thanked Jeff and Kate and said she hoped they would return in 6-12 months for another update on how the new guidelines are working.

Natural areas tours

Kathleen said staff is arranging a series of tours for the committee. The tours will be held 8:30 a.m to noon, on Jan. 20, Jan. 26 and Feb. 9. Tour sites include the Columbia Slough/Marine Drive Trail, which includes both natural areas and trails; Deep Creek, including portions of the Cazadero Trail; and Upper Rock Creek near the top of the watershed close to Northwest Skyline Blvd., where there have been several recent acquisitions. Kathleen will send an email to committee members with more information. She noted that while members of the Oversight Committee are the primary audience, invitations will also be extended to members of the Metro Council and several key internal staff. Councilor Harrington suggested inviting the Executive Council on Active Transportation.

Council update

Councilor Harrington discussed the Metro Council's suggestions for the committee to consider as it formulates its work plan (see Nov. 29, 2011 letter, attached).

Oversight Committee work plan

Linda said the draft work plan is based on the committee's "year ahead" section in the annual report, plus suggestions from council. She would like to discuss performance measures pertaining to the local share program and how the acquisition performance measures may be rolled together to give an overview of all of the acquisitions combined. She asked Kathleen to present another target area update at the February meeting. She suggested discussing cumulative results of performance measures per target area, as well as an ecological overview at the April meeting. Norm Penner said voters may like to know how the properties acquired to date will provide economic benefit to their communities, and suggested addressing this issue in the committee's next report. Linda, David Pollock and Christine Dupres will meet with staff in early January to discuss performance measures. If anyone else is interested in joining this subcommittee please contact Linda or Marybeth Haliski. The draft work plan is attached.

Metro's portfolio of natural areas, parks and trails: opportunities and challenges

Jim Desmond discussed the report, which was presented at the Metro Council's Nov. 22 meeting. The report details Metro's portfolio of land and outlines possibilities for restoring, maintaining and publicly opening these sites in the future. Jim said the report was written by staff in response to a request by the Council. Many staff participated in the project. For example, the chapter on restoration and land management was written by members of the science team. Kay Hutchinson commented that she hadn't realized Metro owned and operated such a wide range of properties until she read the report. Linda asked whether the type of property – nature park, natural area or habitat preserve – could be added to the closing memos or performance measurement charts. Discussion of the pros and cons for doing this followed.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be in early February. As usual, staff will send a poll after the first of the year for members to determine their availability.

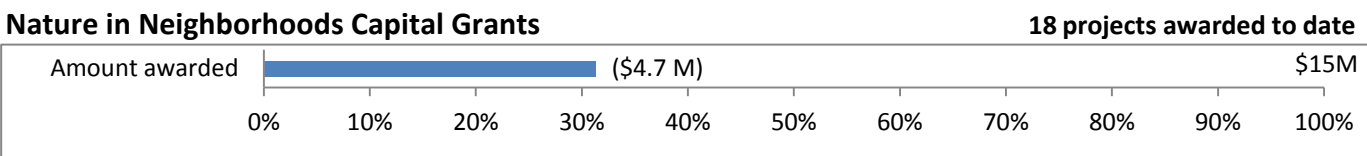
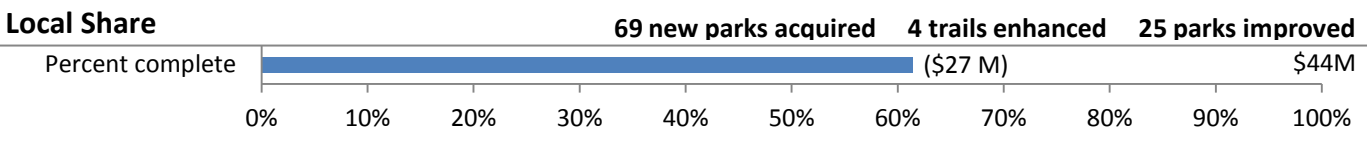
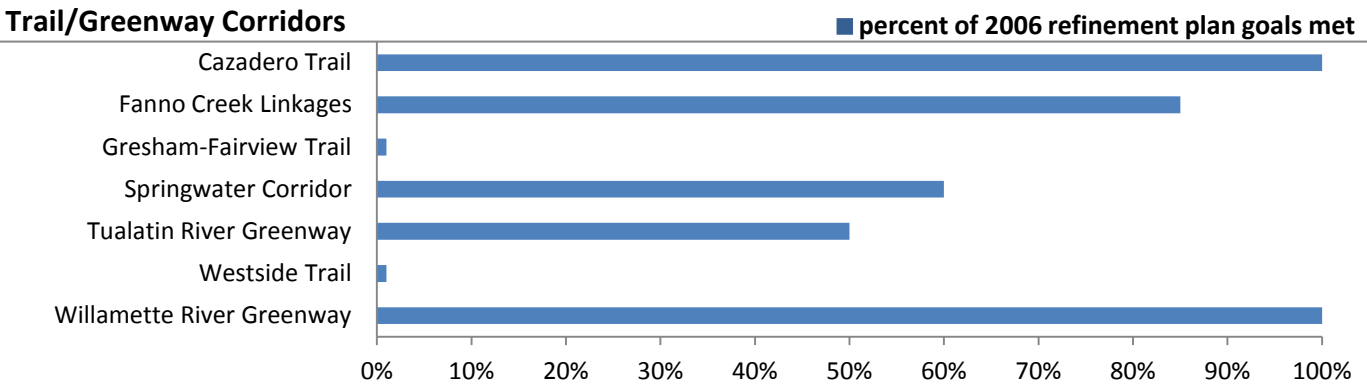
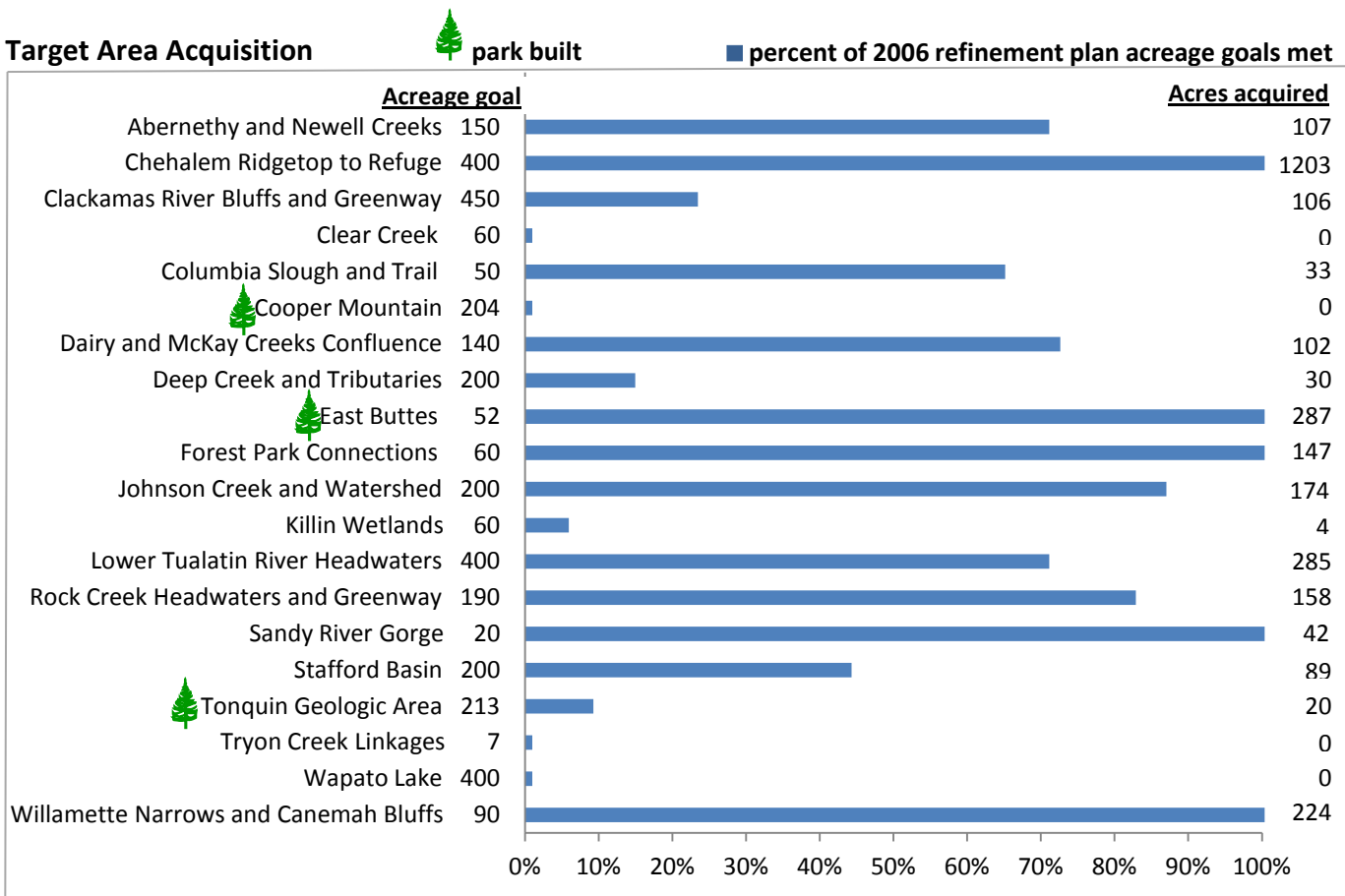
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Marybeth Haliski.

Natural Areas Program

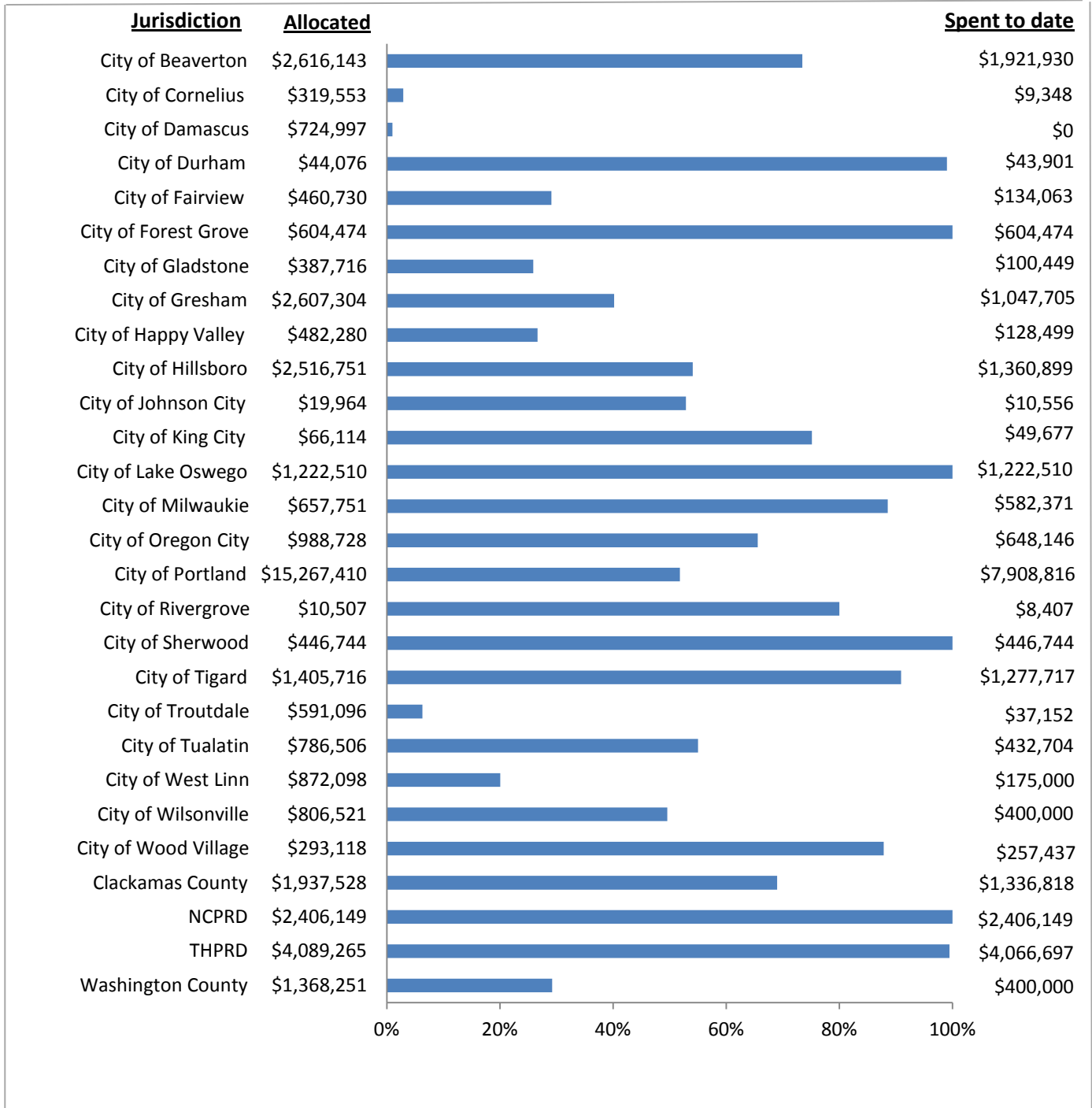
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Local Share program

November 30, 2011

■ percent of local share allocation spent



2006 Natural Areas Program - Regional Acquisitions - Including Stabilization Costs

File #	Seller	Date	Acres	Purchase Price	Stabilization Costs	City/ Jurisdiction	Total Stream Frontage (ft)	% Metro Ownership	% Other Ownership	Mgmt. By	% in Tier 1
<i>Abernethy and Newell Creeks</i>			<i>Goal: 150 acres</i>								
03.053	Evanson/TPL	8/13/2007	106.7	\$1,140,000	\$4,786	Unincorporated	0	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 1			106.66	\$1,140,000	\$4,786		0				
<i>Cazadero Trail</i>			<i>Goal:</i>								
52.001	OSU Foundation	5/19/2010	24.63	\$325,000	\$37,354		0	100			0.00%
Transactions: 1			24.63	\$325,000	\$37,354		0				
<i>Chehalem Ridgetop to Refuge</i>			<i>Goal: 400 acres</i>								
48.001	Berry (Hamacher/Ponzi)	2/11/2008	36.3	\$1,146,500	\$30,115	Unincorporated	0	100		Metro	100.00%
48.001	Berry (Hamacher/Ponzi)	12/31/2007	4.2	\$0		Unincorporated	0	100		Metro	0.00%
48.002	Chehalem Ridge Natural Ar	1/7/2010	1143	\$6,120,000	\$215,064		5,280	100		Metro	100.00%
48.004	McKenzie	9/22/2011	19.17	\$175,000			670	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 4			1202.7	\$7,441,500	\$245,179		5,950				
<i>Clackamas River Bluffs and Greenway</i>			<i>Goal: 450 acres</i>								
18.030	Anderson	2/26/2008	0.689	\$5,000		Unincorporated	0	100		Metro	100.00%
18.033	Thompson	2/27/2008	0.344	\$5,000		Unincorporated	0	100		Metro	100.00%
18.039	Pratt	10/9/2009	88.3	\$404,000	\$8,398	Damascus	0	100		Metro	100.00%
18.041	ODOT Carver Curves	5/28/2008	16.25	\$335,000		Unincorporated	2,000	0	100	Clackamas	100.00%
Transactions: 4			105.58	\$749,000	\$8,398		2,000				
<i>Columbia Slough</i>			<i>Goal: 50 acres</i>								
28.003	Multnomah C Tax Transfer	10/25/2007	2	\$0		Portland	0	100		Metro	100.00%
28.004	OR Parks Donation	12/10/2007	0	\$0		Portland	1,450	75	25	Metro	0.00%
28.009	Roughton	2/24/2011	20.5	\$1,960,000	\$45,096	Portland	4,500	33.3	66.7	Portland	100.00%

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Transactions: 3			22.5	\$1,960,000	\$45,096		5,950				

Dairy and McKay Creeks Confluence **Goal: 140 acres**

07.039	Wetter Trust	4/13/2007	88.05	\$700,000	\$10,770	Unincorporated	5,280	100		Metro	100.00%
07.040	McKay Creek Property, LLC	2/7/2011	6.94	\$0		Hillsboro	0	100		Metro	100.00%
07.042	Saxton	1/22/2009	6.7	\$105,700	\$27,655	Cornelius	673	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 3			101.69	\$805,700	\$38,426		5,953				

Deep Creek and Tributaries **Goal: 200 acres**

46.002	Mabel Johnson Trust	10/29/2009	17.9	\$845,000	\$27,378	n/a	3,400	100	0	Metro	100.00%
46.008	Homes New to You	12/21/2010	4.83	\$344,000	\$6,030	Boring	500	100		Metro	100.00%
46.012	Schafer	10/4/2011	7.2	\$380,000		Unincorporated	4,040	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 3			29.93	\$1,569,000	\$33,407		7,940				

East Buttes **Goal: 52 acres**

02.038	Happy Valley Homes	7/26/2011	14.7	\$462,000		Happy Valley	6,000	100		Metro	100.00%
02.097	Miller	6/30/2008	20.99	\$3,000,000	\$24,190	Happy Valley	1,404	97	3	NCPRD	100.00%
02.110	Scouter Mountain	5/5/2011	68.3	\$1,353,000	\$19,095	Happy Valley	0	100		NCPRD	100.00%
02.125	Darby Ridge/Gabbert Hill	6/6/2007	37.3	\$3,600,000	\$24,496	Gresham	0	75	25	Gresham	0.00%
02.132	Sunnyside Brook, LLC	6/15/2010	22.48	\$504,500	\$22,715	Clackamas	1,936	100		NCPRD	0.00%
02.135	Persimmon	7/20/2007	70	\$3,454,920	\$22,763	Gresham	0	100		Metro	100.00%
02.136	Persimmon	7/20/2007	8	\$198,250	\$902	Gresham	0	100		Metro	100.00%
02.137	McMorihara, Inc	10/14/2008	15	\$379,500	\$1,226	Gresham	0	100			
02.140	Rogers	4/8/2011	30.02	\$750,000	\$17,941	Happy Valley	150	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 9			286.79	\$13,702,170	\$133,329		9,490				

Forest Park Connections **Goal: 60 acres**

06.058	Margolis	3/27/2007	57.5	\$1,790,000	\$55,367	Unincorporated	0	100		Metro	100.00%
06.063	Multnomah Co. Foreclosure	9/25/2008	2.8	\$0	\$0	Portland	0	100			0.00%
06.065	OPF - Audubon Lease	11/20/2008	86.5	\$86,450	\$57,561	Portland	9,876	100		Metro	0.00%
Transactions: 3			146.8	\$1,876,450	\$112,929		9,876				

Johnson Creek and Watershed **Goal: 200 acres**

File #	Seller	Date	Acres	Purchase Price	Stabilization Costs	City/Jurisdiction	Total Stream Frontage (ft)	% Metro Ownership	% Other Ownership	Mgmt. By	% in Tier 1
29.001	Wong/Gilberts Ridge	6/22/2007	10	\$525,000	\$4,671	Portland	0	100		Portland	100.00%
29.002	Spani/Seely	12/29/2006	1.02	\$240,000	\$11,616	Portland	150	100		Metro	100.00%
29.004	Telford	11/27/2007	20	\$1,200,000	\$123,815	Gresham	3,600	100		Metro	100.00%
29.005	Allesina	7/31/2007	1.28	\$450,000	\$19,696	Gresham	766	100		Metro	100.00%
29.006	Clatsop Buttes	7/13/2007	49	\$5,148,750	\$19,738	Portland	900	100		Portland	100.00%
29.007	Clatsop Buttes 2	1/7/2008	1.54	\$260,000	\$3,515	Portland	0	100		Portland	100.00%
29.008	Reeves	11/30/2007	52.68	\$5,850,000	\$5,917	Portland	0	100		Portland	100.00%
29.009	Emmert Lents 2	8/6/2009	10	\$1,135,000		Portland	1,300	0	100	NCPRD	100.00%
29.011	Emmert Clatsop	5/30/2008	11.32	\$1,600,000		Portland	350	25	75	Portland	100.00%
29.012	Stickney	7/14/2008	1.98	\$400,000	\$37,388	Gresham	1,485	100		Gresham	100.00%
29.013	Parson	2/9/2010	5.59	\$378,000	\$26,406	Gresham	2,100	100	100	Metro	100.00%
29.015	Jones	10/7/2008	0.5	\$350,000	\$23,614	Gresham	30	100		Metro	100.00%
29.017	Gonzales	12/23/2008	0.38	\$25,000	\$2,048	Gresham	0	100		Metro	100.00%
29.019	Peden	4/8/2011	5.85	\$187,000	\$3,276	Gresham	1,040	100		Metro	100.00%
29.020	Marston	11/18/2010	2.97	\$322,626	\$12,563		1,350	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 15			174.11	\$18,071,376	\$294,262		13,071				

Killin Wetlands

Goal:

56.001	Williams	12/11/2008	3.58	\$10,000			560	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 1			3.58	\$10,000			560				

Lower Tualatin River Headwaters

Goal: 400 acres

54.001	Burge Trust	5/2/2007	52.93	\$808,500	\$9,857	Unincorporated	9,240	100		Metro	100.00%
54.003	Holmes	10/17/2008	38.6	\$1,050,000	\$64,313	Sherwood	3,400	100		Metro	100.00%
54.004	Cole	6/8/2009	5	\$325,000	\$3,011	Sherwood	1,550	100		Metro	100.00%
54.005	Streeter	6/8/2009	23.2	\$680,528	\$41,431	Sherwood	0	100		Metro	99.96%
54.006	Brown	4/30/2007	44.19	\$244,000	\$5,956	Hillsboro	0	100		Metro	100.00%
54.012	Massoni	12/15/2010	10	\$70,300		Sherwood	1,840	100		Metro	100.00%
54.013	Ralston/Consani	8/23/2010	34	\$600,000	\$13,657	Unincorporated	2,900	100		Metro	100.00%
54.014	Schmeltzer	11/21/2011	76.55	\$900,000		Sherwood	4,100	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 8			284.47	\$4,678,328	\$138,225		23,030				

Rock Creek Headwaters and Greenwa Goal: 190 acres

13.040	Steinberg	9/30/2011	39.5	\$995,000		Portland	0	100		Metro	100.00%
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File #	Seller	Date	Acres	Purchase Price	Stabilization Costs	City/Jurisdiction	Total Stream Frontage (ft)	% Metro Ownership	% Other Ownership	Mgmt. By	% in Tier 1
13.043	Keystone Construction	4/12/2010	20.61	\$245,062	\$13,149	Unincorporated	3,050	100	0	Metro	100.00%
13.044	Chang	9/14/2009	20	\$225,000	\$4,988	Portland	3,800	100		Metro	100.00%
13.046	Cho	6/4/2010	40	\$838,060	\$60,371	Portland	3,900	100		Metro	100.00%
13.048	Fernald	4/21/2011	37.39	\$900,000	\$14,512	Portland	3,400	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 5			157.5	\$3,203,122	\$93,021		14,150				

Sandy River Gorge

Goal: 20 acres

04.024	Friberg	12/1/2009	41.8	\$275,000	\$65		2,600	100	0	Metro	0.00%
Transactions: 1			41.8	\$275,000	\$65		2,600				

Stafford Basin

Goal: 200 acres

55.002	Stevens	6/20/2008	24.7	\$1,800,000	\$37,222	Lake Oswego	4,550	100		Metro	100.00%
55.003	Landover Properties, LLC	6/8/2009	63.91	\$4,473,000	\$94,093	West Linn	0	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 2			88.61	\$6,273,000	\$131,315		4,550				

Tonquin Geologic Area

Goal: 213 acres

08.024	Dammasch DAS	7/25/2008	19.76	\$186,300	\$63,455	Wilsonville	718	100		Metro	0.00%
Transactions: 1			19.76	\$186,300	\$63,455		718				

Tualatin River Greenway

Goal: 100 acres

11.031	Kapaun	9/28/2007	0.41	\$275,000	\$7,195	Unincorporated	410	100		Metro	0.00%
11.033	Icon	10/24/2008	1.5	\$300,000	\$12,657	Tualatin	75	100	0	Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 2			1.91	\$575,000	\$19,852		485				

Willamette Narrows and Canemah Bl Goal: 90 acres

21.007	Davis	3/11/2009	24.34	\$690,000	\$16,025	Oregon City	0	100		Metro	100.00%
21.015	Reeder	6/28/2011	181.3	\$2,200,000	\$546	Oregon City	0	100	0	Metro	100.00%
21.019	Benson	9/27/2011	4.9	\$330,000		Oregon City	0	100		Metro	100.00%
22.025	Kahre	3/25/2009	13.29	\$795,000	\$11,071	West Linn	0	100		Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 4			223.78	\$4,015,000	\$27,642		0				

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Willamette River Greenway			Goal:								
01.006	River View Cons. Easement	7/15/2011	143	\$2,250,000		Portland	12,500			Metro	100.00%
Transactions: 1			142.96	\$2,250,000			12,500				

Total Acres Acquired: 3,165.73
Total Purchase Price: \$69,105,946
Total Stream Frontage: 118,823 Feet / 22.50 Miles
Total Number of Acquisitions: 71
Total Stabilization Costs: \$1,426,741

2006 Natural Areas Program Trail Acquisitions

File #	Seller	Date	Linear Feet	Acres	Purchase Price (regional share contribution only)	Ownership Type	City	County	Council District	Regional Trail	Ownership/ Mgmt. by
Cazadero Trail											
Totals:			0	0	\$0						
Columbia Slough											
28.012	Diamond Beall, LLC	4/25/2011	750	0.42	\$15,720	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.013	The Archaeological Conservancy	7/26/2010	264	0.12	\$648	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Portland
28.014	Detz, et al.	3/18/2011	238	0.14	\$9,105	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.015	8910 Vancouver Properties, LLC	11/8/2010	535	0.25	\$11,454	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.017	Zakharyuk	7/20/2010	250	0.24	\$14,467	Trail Easement	Gresham	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Gresham
28.018	Ducks Moorage, LLC	7/2/2010	175	0.17	\$8,000	Trail Easement	Gresham	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Gresham
28.019	Dominguez	7/2/2010	340	0.32	\$12,675	Trail Easement	Gresham	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Gresham
28.020	City of Portland - BOM	5/12/2010	1,750	1.21	\$0	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.021	Oregon Dept. of Corrections	11/24/2010	725	0.50	\$31,616	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.022	Riverside Golf & Country Club	12/3/2010	1,800	1.33	\$74,162	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.023	Staples Corp.	3/31/2011	440	0.52	\$0	Trail Easement	Gresham	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Gresham
28.026	Mult. Co. Drainage District	1/6/2011	1,023	0.83	\$0	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	5	Columbia Slough Trail	Portland
28.030	Portland Water Bureau	7/11/2011	215	0.21	\$2,247	Trail Easement	Gresham	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Gresham
28.032	Maslo Commercial, LLC	3/23/2011	490	0.79	\$25,360	Trail Easement	Portland	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Portland
28.033	Kilander	8/4/2011	300	0.72	\$200,000	Fee Simple Title	Portland	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Metro
28.037	Bridgestone Americas Tire	11/28/2011	280	0.39	\$12,500	Trail Easement	Gresham	Multnomah	1	Marine Drive Trail	Gresham
28.045	Infaitth Development, LLC	1/14/2011	355	1.93	\$90,000	Fee Simple Title	Portland	Multnomah	1	Columbia Slough Trail	25% Metro, 75% Ptld
Totals:			9,930	10.09	\$507,954						
Fanno Creek Linkages											
16.064	Elliott	4/21/2010	115	1.07	\$20,000	Trail & Grnwy Easement	Tigard	Washington	3	Fanno Creek Greenway Trail	Metro
16.066	Tigard Industrial, LLC	4/9/2010	750	2.23	\$32,300	Trail & Grnwy Easement	Tigard	Washington	3	Fanno Creek Greenway Trail	Metro
Totals:			865	3.30	\$52,300						
Gresham/Fairview Trail											
Totals:			0	0	\$0						
Springwater Corridor											
24.007	Oregon Pacific Railroad (OPRR)	9/21/2010	3,210	0.75	\$617,950	Quitclaim Deed	Portland	Multnomah	6	Springwater Corridor Trail	Metro
Totals:			3,210	0.75	\$617,950						
Tualatin River Greenway											
Totals:			0	0	\$0						
Westside Trail											
Totals:			0	0	\$0						
Willamette River Greenway											
1.002	6710, LLC	8/23/2010	1,900	6.34	\$396,667	Fee Simple Title	Portland	Multnomah	5	N. Ptld Willamette Grnwy Trail	33% Metro, 67% Ptld
Totals:			1,900	6.34	\$396,667						
Totals for Trail Acquisitions:			15,905	20.48	\$1,574,871						
			Linear Ft.	Acres	Cost						

2006 Natural Areas Bond Fund

Summary of Resources, Requirements and Changes in Fund Balance
(Unaudited)

	<u>FY07</u>	<u>FY08</u>	<u>FY09</u>	<u>FY10</u>	<u>FY11</u>	<u>Through</u> <u>10/31/2011</u>	<u>Program</u> <u>Total</u>
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Beginning Fund Balance	0	122,299,840	93,979,814	77,117,027	56,800,428		36,436,243
Resources							
Bond Proceeds	130,678,369	0	0	0	0	0	130,678,369
Interest Earnings	1,301,230	5,600,503	2,538,906	940,859	322,830	23,379	10,727,707
Other Resources	10,000	27,380	5,322,056	385,730	414,009	81,212	6,240,387
Subtotal Resources	131,989,599	5,627,883	7,860,962	1,326,589	736,839	104,591	147,646,463
Requirements							
Land Acquisition							
Staff Costs	117,956	206,692	425,072	465,329	512,240	6.3	1,948,074
Materials & Services	6,786	2,599	334,980	328,153	8,506		707,437
Land Costs	7,596,372	25,224,753	14,517,160	10,274,472	8,457,543		70,952,497
Due Diligence							
Staff Costs	0	412,029	492,589	455,774	430,237	5.0	1,939,600
Materials & Services	96,539	199,756	183,474	299,244	315,358		1,172,936
Stabilization							
Staff Costs	19,578	116,534	190,606	290,234	388,887	4.7	1,147,836
Materials & Services	294	177,441	345,330	284,874	643,569		1,582,045
Local Share							
Staff Costs	0	36,269	43,872	47,458	49,759	0.5	196,633
Materials & Services	0	25	188	3,500	0		32,261
Payments to Jurisdiction	400,000	4,798,366	4,316,165	5,399,109	6,312,927		25,969,212
Capital Grants							
Staff Costs	0	63,831	89,352	125,466	91,744	0.8	414,559
Materials & Services	0	1,400	1,363	811	75,621		120,301
Grant Payments	0	0	49,750	534,899	1,211,418		(6,455)
Capital Construction							
Staff Costs	0	84,071	113,921	115,064	100,643	0.9	452,210
Capital	455,072	1,513,347	2,503,147	1,841,075	917,019		(27,199)
Administration							
Bond Issuance Costs Refinement	295,889	0	0	0	0		295,889
Staff Costs	1,477	5,426	0	0	0		6,903
Materials & Services	382,030	85,882	0	0	0		467,912
Direct Admin Costs							
Staff Costs	230,815	527,644	490,722	750,704	868,127	3.7	2,953,703
Materials & Services	25,980	152,422	51,490	56,082	263,857		673,260
Indirect Admin Costs*	60,971	339,422	574,569	370,939	453,567		2,156,987
Other Requirements	0	0	0	0	0		0
Subtotal Requirements	9,689,759	33,947,909	24,723,748	21,643,188	21,101,023		11,076,699
Ending Fund Balance	122,299,840	93,979,814	77,117,027	56,800,428	36,436,243		25,464,135
	<u>FY07</u>	<u>FY08</u>	<u>FY09</u>	<u>FY10</u>	<u>FY11</u>	<u>FY12 YTD</u>	<u>Total</u>
Administration as % of Total Expenditures	10.29%	3.27%	4.52%	5.44%	7.51%	5.12%	5.36%

* Indirect Administrative Expenses are those charged through internal allocation, and include services such as Human Resources, risk management, payroll, building rents, etc.

Note: Due Diligence staff costs have been removed from "Indirect Admin Costs" and the FTE for these positions is shown as a direct expense.



November 29, 2011

Linda Craig
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Dear Linda,

Thank you for your multiple years of service on the Natural Areas Program Performance Oversight Committee and for your leadership in serving as the chair of the committee this last year. The Metro Council is very appreciative of the service that each member of the oversight committee provides and would appreciate your conveying the thanks of the entire Council to the committee for their hard work and commitment. The attention of the oversight committee has assured that the business practices and acquisition methods used by our staff at Metro meet the highest standards. This program is critical to the health and economy of the Portland metropolitan region for current and future generations, and your passion and professional discipline helps us fulfill our fiduciary responsibility with this important land conservation measure.

The committee is authorized to ask any questions or analyze any aspect of the bond program it believe warrants investigation. The Metro Council appreciates the scope of the committee's examination of the program and its consideration of incorporating feedback from the Council in prior years. The Council has had the opportunity to read your September 2011 report in detail and with this letter respectfully offers some thoughts and additional items for potential future consideration.

The September 2011 report describes various subjects for your work plan for the 2011-2012 year. The subjects in the work plan are also of particular interest to us, and we invite your consideration of our questions and comments in the following areas:

Looking ahead: In a few years the bond measure program will be 10 years old. Are there some performance aspects that we should be monitoring now that will help ensure successful achievement by 2016? With the bond measure having three major aspects (regional acquisitions, local share, capital grants) are there any operational or performance aspects that we should be taking into account now so that we have a solid story to share with our regional residents in 5 years? You addressed this question in the September report with respect to regional acquisitions; could you address it also for the local share and capital grant parts of the program?

Progress regionally: Acquisitions within the 20 target and 7 trail/greenway areas have been proceeding following the bond program refinement plans and principles (e.g. willing seller.) The Council appreciates the level of information that the committee has been following and probing in executing its responsibility to the region. Like you, we are wondering how progress on these specific areas adds up cumulatively for the benefit of clean air, water and natural habitat for the region, and more specifically if there is anything that Metro should consider as it completes the program so that the program is not only successful with each individual area but also that the cumulative set provides a holistic result for the benefit of future generations?

Local Share Progress and Regional assessment: We know that you are planning an evaluation of the local share projects as part of your work plan. We would like to know how you think these local share projects are helping to achieve the regionally adopted 6 desired outcomes of a successful region. How have the local share projects helped to cumulatively achieve a regional result, for example access to parks?

Site Stabilization Timing: We appreciate the committee's attention in reviewing the approach that Metro staff has been taking on site stabilization after property acquisition. Given the seasonal aspect of nature and stabilization activities (ex. cutting seasons and planting seasons) we are wondering if specific seasonal dates were considered for starting a site stabilization clock independent of the specific acquisition date? This might provide enough time for staff to execute a best practice for the site specific inventory walk-through surveys needed, as well as time to construct a site specific stabilization plan including setting up the work crews, none of which can be done until an acquisition has actually closed, and all of which must be done in relation to nature's four seasons. Perhaps your review of site stabilization included such an idea, but if not, please feel free to let us know, as it may be appropriate for the Council to adopt a modified approach for authorized use of bond measure funds for these vital stabilization activities than was originally envisioned and defined.

In addition to these suggestions for the work plan you have already outlined, the Council is pondering some other subjects on which we would appreciate your guidance in this or future years.

Trails and Natural Areas: All of the natural area acquisitions are proximate to our metropolitan population. In some areas, people are creating unauthorized trails. In addition, the region has taken deliberate policy and investment actions with an Active Transportation program. Some habitat areas are quite sensitive, others less so. What criteria might you suggest Metro consider using to enable more trail presence along the edge of or through natural areas so that we can be successful in balancing the needs for human health and access to nature while also preserving natural areas?

Review of Collection with Health, Equity and Tourism perspectives: The acquisition and preservation of natural areas with this bond program are being done to safeguard water quality, protect fish and wildlife habitat and ensure access to nature for future generations. Since then the Metro region has adopted 6 desired outcomes for a successful region. In the full scope of its work, the Metro Council is increasingly reviewing programs with health and equity lenses as well as taking stock of the contribution that tourism makes to our regional and state economy. Your committee offers a valuable perspective to the region and to the Metro Council, so we want to ensure that you have the opportunity to provide us with your perspective. As with all aspects of the Natural Areas Bond Program, we would expect that Metro staff would help frame information for your consideration. Given the increased emphasis that Health, Equity and

Tourism aspects are taking in our region, as the Metro Council considers access to these properties for future generations, what are your thoughts on these three aspects and the properties that make up the regional collection? How would you tell the story of the Natural Areas program for each of these three aspects?

The range of items above reflect the level of respect and appreciation that the Metro Council has for the expertise and opinions of the oversight committee. It also provides some insight into the curiosity that the Metro Council has about the value these bond investments will have for future generations. The Council would appreciate your consideration of our thoughts, but are in no way intending to divert you from your chosen course. We are mindful that the oversight committee has a full complement of work before it in the year ahead. I look forward to your next meeting, and the finalization of your committee work plan, which will lead to another valuable report next year. Thank you again for your service and attention to detail, which helps to ensure our agency ever improves its performance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn".

Kathryn Harrington
Metro Councilor District 4
Council Liaison, Natural Areas Bond Oversight Committee

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Natural Areas Program Performance Oversight Committee Work Plan
October 2011 – June 2012

October 2011	Program updates Progress by target area Update It's Our Nature communication plan Introduce work plan
December 2011	Program updates Natural Areas Information System Database Stabilization update Metro portfolio update Work plan
January 2012	Tours
February 2012	Program updates Natural Areas Information System Database Stabilization update Performance measures/local share and capital grants
Late April 2012	Program updates Performance measures ecological overview Capital grants review Stabilization review Trails and natural areas accessibility
June 2012	Program updates Overhead and staffing Outline annual committee report

Topics for Committee work suggested by Metro Council:

- Local share and capital grants – performance monitoring
- Progress by target area, regional acquisitions
- Cumulative results of the bond measure
- Site stabilization: review timing and outcomes-based results
- Trails and accessibility
- Six desired outcomes for the region – relationships to bond measure program