

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE  
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING ) RESOLUTION NO. 91-1470  
TUALATIN RIVER DISCOVERY DAY AND )  
ITS GOALS OF RECREATION AND ) Introduced by Councilor  
PRESERVATION ) DeJardin

WHEREAS, Saturday, June 29, 1991 is the second annual Tualatin River Discovery Day, encouraging public access to an endangered stream in Washington and Clackamas county, and;

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Service District enacted a phosphate ban to protect the Tualatin River from phosphate pollution, and;

WHEREAS, Metro coordinates the Metropolitan Greenspaces program to identify, preserve and manage natural areas in the four-county region; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District hereby supports the goals and activities developed for the Tualatin River Discovery Day.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 13th day of June, 1991



Tanya Collier, Presiding Officer



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# Memorandum

June 6, 1991

TO: Metro Council

FROM: Councilor DeJardin

RE: Resolution No. 91-1470, For the Purpose of Supporting Tualatin River Discovery Day and Its Goals of Recreation and Preservation

Saturday, June 29, 1991, is Tualatin River Discovery Day, a free day-long festival encouraging the public to explore the endangered Tualatin River and visit an informal Environmental Fair at Tualatin Community Park. Tualatin River Discovery Day is supported by many governments, community groups, businesses and environmental organizations. At the last Council meeting, I made a motion, which was unanimously supported, to have Metro formally endorse the Tualatin River Discovery Day. Attached is a resolution, prepared by Public Affairs, stating our support for the Discovery Day.

Our support of this event is important as it was Metro which established the regional phosphate ban, in large part to help clean up the Tualatin. The Tualatin was the first river in Oregon for which maximum pollutant levels were established. Now, all retail stores selling laundry detergents in the Metro region must stock only products without phosphates. It is hoped that in time with the ban in place, the river will slowly recover.

The Tualatin River is 83 miles long, meandering through both Washington and Clackamas counties, with its headwaters in the foothills of the Coast Range. The Tualatin is the water source of Lake Oswego and is the principal river flowing through fast-growing Washington County. Wildlife abounds in and around the stream, which offers little public access.

Tualatin River Discovery Day provides a day for the public to enjoy the Tualatin River, by access through mostly private lands. This allows the general public to discover the wildlife, riparian environment and recreation created by the river in areas that would otherwise be inaccessible.

Metro's work with the phosphate ban and with the Metropolitan Greenspaces program seeks to restore, enhance and protect the Tualatin River and other significant resources in the region. It is appropriate that Metro support the Tualatin River Discovery Day and the goals it represents.

# TUALATIN RIVER DISCOVERY DAY

## *A Leisurely Float Down The Tualatin*

June 29<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 AM

From Schamberg Bridge to the City of Tualatin

## **A Half Day Exploring The Tualatin River**

Any Safe People-Powered Craft Is Suitable

Some Canoe Rentals Are Available

Driver Shuttle From Tualatin Community Park Available

### YOU'LL NEED...

A boat with paddles or oars, life jackets, a picnic lunch, and a whistle. We may be able to match you with a boat that has an empty seat. Rentals will run approximately \$30.00. These boats are limited and are available on a first come basis. Rental boats will be delivered and returned for you.☺

### WHERE AND WHEN...

Saturday, June 29th, beginning at 9:00 AM drop off your equipment and friends, then drive to Tualatin. Park your car and take the shuttle back to the put-in. Call for detailed directions. There is an ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR at the park after the float trip.

### WHY??

To learn about your neighborhood and the only river in Washington County. The Tualatin River is on the Endangered River list. Come see what the fuss is about. AND MOST OF ALL BECAUSE IT'S FUN.

For Directions, Reservations, or to Volunteer Call Clair at 639-4320

## **Environmental Fair**

From 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Tualatin Community Park

Bring a picnic lunch (no food vendors will be available) and bring your friends. Learn about the Tualatin River and its valley; its history, geology, ecology and more!



**SATURDAY**

**JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**TUATIN  
RIVER  
DISCOVERY  
DAY**

**CANOE TRIP**

**AND**

**ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR**

## TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

### RESOLUTION NO. 91-1470, SUPPORTING TUALATIN RIVER DISCOVERY DAY AND GOALS OF RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

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Date: June 12, 1991

Presented by: Councilor Gardner

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: At the June 11, 1991, Transportation and Planning Committee meeting, Councilors Devlin, McLain, Van Bergen and myself voted unanimously to recommend Council adopt Resolution No. 91-1470. Councilor Bauer was excused.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ISSUES: Resolution No. 91-1470 expresses Metro support for the Tualatin River Discovery Day and the associated goals of improving and preserving the water quality of the Tualatin River. Metro's support for this day of recognition ties in directly from the Council adoption last year of a region-wide phosphate ban, in large part to help clean up the Tualatin. The Discovery Day will be Saturday June 29, 1991 with free events throughout the day (further information is included in the staff report materials).