

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING A) RESOLUTION NO. 96-2274A
REFINEMENT PLAN FOR THE FOREST PARK)
TARGET AREA AS OUTLINED) Introduced by Mike Burton
IN THE OPEN SPACE IMPLEMENTATION) Executive Officer
WORK PLAN)

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WHEREAS, Resolution No. 95-2228^A authorizes the Executive Officer to purchase property with accepted acquisition guidelines as outlined in the Open Space Implementation Work Plan, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

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ADOPTED by Metro Council this 15th day of February, 1996.



Jon Kvistad, Presiding Officer

Approved as to Form:



Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel

Staff report

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Date: February 1, 1996

Presented by: Charles Ciecko
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This is an area along the west slope of the Tualatin Ridge, presently well forested, but with scattered subdivision development. This area is part of the farm/forest matrix that connects Forest Park habitat to the Coast Range, and provides a logical trail linkage to the proposed Rock Creek Greenway. This area is generally outside of what has traditionally been thought of as Forest Park lands, which are along the east slope of the ridge. However, the Forest Park Neighborhood association, Unified Sewerage Agency representative, and consulting biologists all stressed the importance of this area to the overall biological and recreational potential of Forest Park.

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Mature forest habitat there provides roosting and some nesting opportunities for wintering bald eagles that forage on Sauvie Island, as well as habitat for big game that traverse the area. An important local watershed originating from this area feeds the wetlands along the Multnomah Channel. Outstanding views are available from Dixie Mountain across the Columbia River, to the Cascade volcanoes of Washington. Additionally, the Greenway to the Pacific could cross this area. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) presently manages over 500 acres in several scattered sites around the mountain.

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Date: February 1, January 29, 1996
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Inholdings and "Pinch Points"

In the northern third of the Park, there are 2 "pinch points," where the park is quite narrow, and several significant inholdings exist. Management and protection of the Park will be accommodated by acquisition of land to correct these deficiencies. Additionally, the important Miller Creek watershed would benefit by these steps.

Newberry Road to Cornelius Pass

This corridor provides potential big game habitat connectivity towards the Coast Range, and a complementary upland forest habitat for bird species that use Sauvie Island wetlands. A logical extension of Forest Park trails north to a linkage with the proposed Burlington Trail, Ancient Forest, Multnomah Channel, and the "Greenway to the Pacific" trail would be included in this concept. Currently this area is subject to continued clear-cut timber harvest, expansion of the Angell Brothers Quarry, and rural subdivision development. Stakeholder interviews revealed a high degree of consensus for this area to be a high priority in the acquisition program. As this area contains a great deal of land, a multi-faceted strategy that would combine selected land purchases, purchase of more limited easements or timber rights, and partnerships with local landowners is imperative.

Upper Rock Creek Tributaries

This is an area along the west slope of the Tualatin Ridge, presently well forested, but with scattered subdivision development. This area is part of the farm/forest matrix that connects Forest Park habitat to the Coast Range, and provides a logical trail linkage to the proposed Rock Creek Greenway. This area is generally outside of what has traditionally been thought of as Forest Park lands, which are along the east slope of the ridge. However, the Forest Park Neighborhood association, Unified Sewerage Agency representative, and consulting biologists all stressed the importance of this area to the overall biological and recreational potential of Forest Park.

Dixie Mountain Area

Dixie Mountain lies at the north end of Multnomah county, about 10 miles from the northern boundary of Forest Park and provides an important opportunity for open space expansion.

Mature forest habitat there provides roosting and some nesting opportunities for wintering bald eagles that forage on Sauvie Island, as well as habitat for big game that traverse the area. An important local watershed originating from this area feeds the wetlands along the Multnomah Channel. Outstanding views are available from Dixie Mountain across the Columbia River, to the Cascade volcanoes of Washington. Additionally, the Greenway to the Pacific could cross this area. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) presently manages over 500 acres in several scattered sites around the mountain.

Another refinement process finding is the concern about the potential density of housing that might be developed between **Cornell Road and Newberry Road**, within the UGB. Pressure to increase densities as part of the 2040 Plan may result in upzoning of this area. Intense development would lead to higher traffic, more fences, dogs, and other barriers to native wildlife movement. Thus, while Metro is attempting to secure wildlife connectivity to the north and west, the park may get cut off at its existing boundary.

Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee

A presentation of the Staff Report was given by Metro Staff and its consultant at a public meeting in the Metro Council Chambers on January 16th, 1996. This analysis and resulting objectives were approved by a unanimous vote of the full Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee. Several residents of the Forest Park area expressed their views on the report.

The following are specific objectives of the Forest Park Proposed Refinement Plan:

Tier I

- Outright purchase of key inholdings, adjacent holdings, and "pinch points"
- Protect and enhance water quality in Balch and Miller Creeks through fee acquisition, purchase of timber rights, conservation easements or other strategies
- Provide a "corridor" sufficient for trail access from the north end of the park to the proposed Burlington-Northern Rails to Trails project
- Protect through fee acquisition, conservation easements, or other strategies, the upper Rock Creek tributary area west of Skyline.
- Acquire key trailhead site(s) in the south half of the park to ease pressure at the Thurman Avenue entrance to the Lief Erickson trail.

Tier II

- Protect additional lands along the corridor at the north end of the Park, including a buffer for the Ancient Forest, through acquisitions, easements and voluntary management agreements
- Provide trail and habitat linkage to the Rock Creek Regional target area

Partnership Objectives

- Work with BLM to assist in purchase or consolidation of public land in the Dixie Mountain area
- Encourage ODOT to establish a riparian crossing under Highway 30, linking the north park extension with the Burlington wetlands
- Establish relation with private landowners in the area to explore opportunities for easements, timber management strategies, and common watershed protection
- Work with the City of Portland BES to coordinate land purchases in the Balch Creek area, and with USA in the Rock Creek area

Executive Officer's Recommendation

The Executive Officer recommends passage of Resolution No. 96-2274.

FOREST PARK REFINEMENT PLAN

Public Workshop held January 10, 1996 at Audubon House

Comments

- Acquire land north of Burnside where w. trail goes through private land (incl. in boundary).
- Land use important.
- Secure rec. values (inholdings, pinch points, Burnside Trail).
- Add area east of pinch point (Springville Road).
- Priorities:
 - 1) inholdings
 - 2) add trail heads (Linda Hoffman at BLM)
 - 3) pinch points
- 500 acres of upper Balch Creek crucial to watershed.
- Increased densities around park conflict with park protection.
- Emphasize wildlife habitat in purchase priorities.
- Focus on connectivity for wildlife.
- Look at linkages to Willamette River from ex. park (i.e. Doane Creek, Miller Creek).
- Need more bike connections from Highway 30.
- Look for partnerships along west Germantown Rd. Need outreach to property owners.
- Question future of public contact.
- Need more access in south park to help preserve more isolated habitat in north.
- First priority should be in and around Forest Park.
- Don't ever rely on land use regulations in Balch Creek.
- "Area of critical environmental concern" BLM designation.
- Chris - volunteered to go with Metro to BLM (need citizen support).
- Need to prioritize in and around ex. park (pay attention here)
- Prioritize forest management protection (cons. easements) in Multnomah County part of Balch Creek.
- Keep long term picture for role of Forest Park in larger greenway vision.

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C O N T A C T L I S T

(12/28/95)

Name		Affiliation	Address	Phone	Fax	Cont. Resp.	Date Cont.	Comments
Skip	Anderson	Angell Brothers Rock Quarries	PO Box 83449 Portland, OR 97283	286-4201		MW	11/29/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish cooperative management partnerships with owners of large tracts of land. Integrate preservation of wildlife habitat with economic opportunity. Protect Forest Park by purchasing lands not by establishing more regulations.
Kurt	Augustine	Multnomah Co. Animal Control	1700 W. Columbia Riv. Hwy Troutdale, OR 97060			MW	12/15/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No 1995 pick up records for McNamee Rd., Cornelius Pass Rd., Gemantown Rd. Newberry Rd. Skyline crossing between Thompson and Cemetery. St. Johns Bridge area sightings.
John	Caruso	BLM / Tillamook				DA	11/29/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BLM Lands near Dixie Mt. managed for eagle and OG connectivity. Small holdings could be traded away.
Larry	Crabb	Multnomah Co. Animal Control	1700 W. Columbia Riv. Hwy Troutdale, OR 97060			MW	12/15/95	<i>See Kurt Augustine</i>
Lori	Faha	Water Resources Program Manager / Unified Sewerage Agency	155 N. First Ave., #270 Hillsboro, OR 97124	648-8730		MW	11/21/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider expanding USA service boundary to Skyline Road. Protect Stream headwaters and corridors south of Skyline.

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Name		Affiliation	Address	Phone	Fax	Cont. Resp.	Date Conf.	Comments
Rand	Fisher	Washington Co. SWCD	1080 SW Basline, Bldg B, Suite B-2 Hillsboro, OR 97123	681-0953		MW		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tualatin Basin Rural Land Management Requirements take effect 1/1/96.
Ivy	Francis	Bureau of Environmental Services	1120 SW Fifth Avenue, Room 400 Portland, OR 97204			MW	11/22/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect / enhance and restore water quality in stream corridors and headwaters. • Protect all wetlands and springs within the area. • Restrict logging on lands zoned EFU within UGB. • Establish water quality baseline data for Miller Creek basin.
Mark	Hayes	PCC Biology	Rock Creek Campus PO Box 19000 Portland, OR 97280	244-6111		MF	12/15/95	
Keith	Hays	Greenway to Pacific	15775 Ribbon Ridge Rd. Newberg, OR 97132	538-0924				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect Forest Park along Highway 30 to Scapoose.
Gordon	Howard	Multnomah County Planning	2115 SE Morrison Portland, OR 97214			DA	11/20/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need forest protection in upper Balch Creek area. • Secure "corridor" at north end of park. • Focus on natural resource protection first, recreation second.
Karin	Hunt	Multnomah County Planning Commission	2115 SE Morrison Portland, OR 97214	621-3024		MW	11/26/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect / acquire lands to protect integrity of Forest Parks but other areas may have more need. • Develop and implement on Agricultural Practices Act. • Think in rural terms when considering watershed protection (EFU zoning is a tradeoff for development).

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Name		Affiliation	Address	Phone	Fax	Cont. Resp.	Date Cont.	Comments
Steve	Kenworthy	BES - Storm Water	1120 SW Fifth Ave, # 400 Portland, OR 97204	823-7100		MW	11/22/95	<i>See Ivy Francis</i>
Esther	Lev	Wildlife Biologist	729 SE 33rd Portland, OR 97214	239-4065		MW / DA / MF	11/15, 11/30, 12/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on "regionally significant" species. • Trout and anadromous fish - upper Balch and Miller Creeks. • Eagles / Raptors - Dixie Mt., Newberg, Cornelius Pass Corridor. • Big game - same as above. • Use land use policy, partnership and purchase to stretch dollars.
Brian	Lightcap	US Army Corps of Engineers	333 SW First Street Portland, OR 97204 OP-G 8th Floor	326-6140		MW	11/15/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • W. Multnomah SWCD partnership with Metro. • Explore income producing possibilities on managed lands. • Prioritize educational opportunities.
Cathy	Macdonald	The Nature Conservancy	821 SE 14th Portland, OR 97214	230-1221		MW	12/19/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently negotiating with land owners on Multnomah Channel for property purchase. • BPA wetland mitigation at Burlington Bottom. • Support connection to Dixie Mountain, Multnomah Channel and Northwest Washington County.
Patrice	Mango	BES - Balch Creek	1120 SW Fifth Ave., # 400 Portland, OR 97204	823-5275		MW	11/21/95	<i>See Ivy Francis</i>
Ken	Margolis	Ecotrust / property owner	c/o Ecotrust 1200 NW Front, #470 Portland, OR 97209			DA	11/28/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider conservation easement potential. • Focus on most important habitat, i.e. Balch Creek, corridor, wetlands, Dixie Mt. Eagle area. • Wildlife habitat first priority.

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Donna	Matrazzo	OOPS/Sauvie Island Conservancy			DA	11/28/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conserve most important habitat. • Concerned about quarry expansion and housing development.
Tom	McGuire	Portland Planning Bureau	1120 SW Fifth, #1002 Portland, OR 97204-1966		MF	11/29/95	<p>Upper Saltzman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain Wildlife Corridor to Northwest. • Balch Creek Watershed is relatively unprotected in Washington Co. and should be prioritized.
Richard	Meyer	Director / Portland Audubon Society	5151 NW Cornell Rd. Portland, OR 97210	292-6855	MW	11/29/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select properties using ecological, political and social criteria. • Acquire lands within UGB as priority. • Integrate 2040 process with regulations and acquisition of greenspaces; fully explain advantages of increasing urban density. • Emphasize environmental education; establish connections between natural areas and urban issues (e.g. CSOS; social services; housing, etc.).
Fred	Nilsen	Portland Parks	Hoyt Arboretum 4000 SW Fairview Blvd. Portland, OR 97221		MW	11/30/95	<i>See Jim Sjulín</i>
Terrence	O'Donnell	Historian / Oregon Historical Society	1200 SW Park Avenue Portland, OR 97205		DA	11/16/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deferred to John Sherman and Ken Margolis.
Theo	Patterson	Portland United Mountain Peddlers			DA		telephoned / no call back

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Name		Affiliation	Address	Phone	Fax	Cont. Resp.	Date Cont.	Comments
Joe	Pesik	Non / Game Biologist - ODF&W	ODFW - Clackamas Office 17330 Evelyn St. Clackamas, OR 97015			MW	12/4/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire large blocks of land now - protect small inholdings with zoning. • Require mitigation for upland development. • Consider more stringent protection of rural lands within UGB not protect by Forest Practices Act. • Permit only single family clustered development inside UGB adjacent to Forest Park. • Establish bald eagle preserve in Dixie Mountain Area.
Mark	Peters	Oregon Department of Agriculture Program Manager: Tualatin Basin Agricultural Management Plan	635 Capitol St., NE Salem, OR 97310	986-4714		MW	11/21/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report detailing Tualatin Basin and management rules forthcoming.
Russ	Pinto	The Nature Conservancy 821 SE 14th Portland, Oregon 97214	821 SE 14th Portland, OR 97214	230-1221		MW	12/19/95	<i>See Cathy Macdonald</i>
Arnold	Rochlin	Friends of Forest Park	PO Box 83645 Portland, OR 97283	289-2657		MW	11/22/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire lands using both "willing seller" and eminent domain strategies. • Connect rural, urban and natural areas via powerline corridors and EFU zoning • Require mitigation for water quality degradation and upland development in sensitive areas.

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Name		Affiliation	Address	Phone	Fax	Cont. Resp.	Date Cont.	Comments
Nancy	Rosenlund	Friends of Forest Park, Forest Park Neighborhood Association	5830 NW Cornell Rd. Portland, OR 97210	297-6316		MW	11/22/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concentrate on purchasing and protecting lands within the UGB. • Resolve jurisdictional conflicts within Balch Creek watershed. • Initiate a regional transportation study in the Cornelius Pass and Balch Creek watershed areas. • Increase regulatory rule making re: erosion and damaging forestry practices.
John	Sherman		1912 NW Aspen Portland, OR 97210	241-9348	241-8326	MW / MF	12/8/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John prioritized spending acquisition funds on large contiguous properties and inholdings • Wildlife corridor good idea but unaffordable under current funding • Creating connection with Burlington Bottom has strong merit
Jim	Sjulin	Portland Parks Natural Resources	1120 SW Fifth Ave., #1302 Portland, OR 97204	823-5122		MW	11/15, 29, 12/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vandalism, off-road, slope stability. • Acquire selected Forest Park inholdings. • Develop additional protective measures for Balch Creek watershed. • Acquire and protect Forest Park linkages to the Willamette River. • Acquire and protect the wildlife corridor.
Seth	Tane	Newberry Road		735-0339		DA		Called / no return.
Homer	Williams	HGW, Inc. (developer)				DA	11/16/95	• Deferred to John Sherman.

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



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Nancy	Zapatocki	Urban Biologist / USFW	2600 SE 98th, #100 Portland, OR 97266	231-6179		MW	11/30/95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase both big holdings and strategic small parcels. • Emphasize environmental education of the urban edges: link natural area character with urban culture. • Strengthen forestry practices act; initiate Ag. practices act. • Initiate partnership discussions with large landowners and land managers.

Figure No. 2

Forest Park Proposed Refinement Plan

Legend

-  Forest Park
-  Proposed Forest Park Target Acquisition
-  Other Target Areas
-  Existing Trail
-  Proposed Trail

Objectives

1. Acquire 320 acres adjacent and within park to maintain habitat.
2. Improve protection of key watersheds, including Balch Creek, Miller Creek, and the headwaters of Rock Creek.
3. Secure the integrity of the "big game" corridor that links the Park with source habitat in the northern Coast Range.
4. Provide trail linkages to the north, particularly the proposed Burlington trail and the Coast to Portland trail.
5. Secure avian habitat connectivity between the Tualitan Mountains and the Sauvie Island/Multnomah Channel Bottomland areas.
6. Secure the important scenic resource of the forested Tualitan Mountains as viewed from Sauvie Island.
7. Provide trail and habitat connectivity to the proposed Rock Creek Greenway.
8. Secure important inholdings and "pinch points" from future development.

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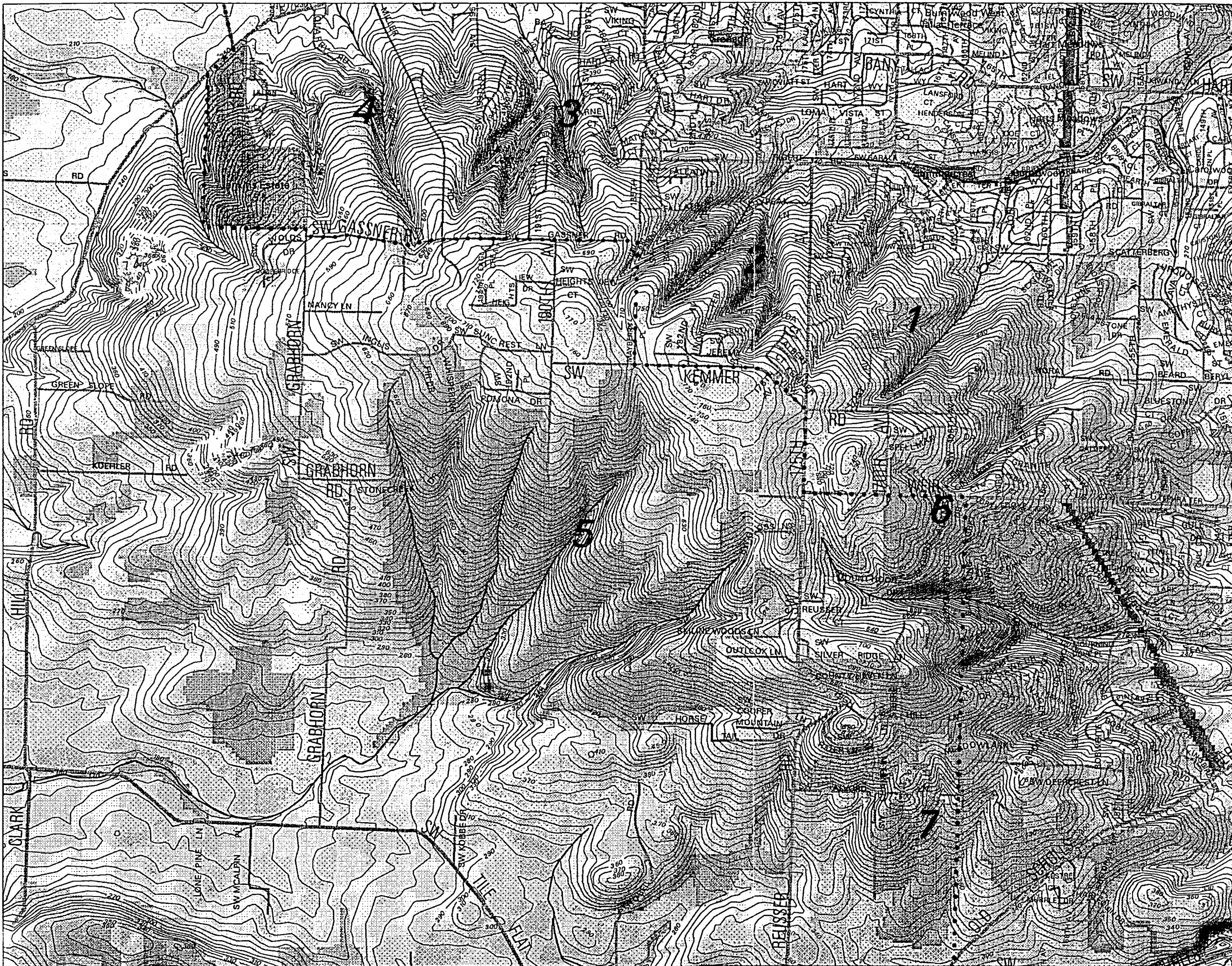
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Dean Apostol and Mark Wilson

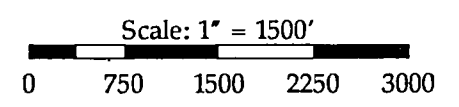
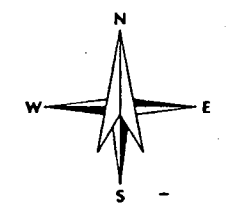




Measure 26-26

Cooper Mountain:
Sites visited by Audubon Society

-  Urban Growth Boundary
-  Parks



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