

# GTAC Meeting Notice

**To:** Greenspaces Technical Advisory Committee

**When:** September 13, 2000  
Wednesday  
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

**Where:** Metro Regional Center  
600 NE Grand Ave  
Portland, OR 97232  
Room 370 A & B

## AGENDA

1:00 - 1:30 pm

**Update: Regional Greenspaces System Map (30 min.)**

*Update on map review meetings*

Jennifer Budhabhatti

1:30 - 3:00 pm

**Discussion: Regional Greenspaces System (90 min.)**

*What does it mean to be "in" the Regional Greenspaces System?*

All

Next GTAC meeting Wednesday, October 11, 2000, 1:00 – 3:00 pm at Metro.

## **GREENSPACES REGIONAL SYSTEM**

**sys-tem 1:** a group or arrangement of parts, facts, phenomenon, etc., that relate to or interact with each other in such a way as to form a whole: the solar system; the nervous system

### **What is the Greenspaces Regional System supposed to accomplish?**

According to the Regional Framework Plan (1997), the Regional System will:

- a) protect the region's biodiversity
- b) provide citizen's opportunities for, primarily, natural resource dependant recreation and education
- c) contribute to the protection of air and water quality
- d) provide natural resource buffers and connections between communities

**How do you accomplish the goals of the Greenspaces Regional System?  
What does it mean to be considered a part of the Greenspaces Regional System?**

### **For Public Lands it may include one or many of the following measures:**

- Natural Resource Management Plans/Master Plans
- Best Management Practices.
- Signage
- Funding
- Performance standards
- Consistent rules and regulations.
- Consistent user fees
- Regional System information phone line
- Clearing house for land based information (maps, GIS)
- Resource evaluation criteria
- Monitoring
- Site-specific standards (natural resources)
- Trail standards
- Grant prioritization
- Consistent delivery of Environmental Education/Interpretation
- Staff/equipment sharing
- Legislative agendas
- Funding initiatives

**REGIONAL PARKS DISTRICTS – A SNAPSHOT**

	<b>Area</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Management</b>	<b>Funding</b>
<b>MidPenninsula Regional Open Space District</b> Est. 1972	44,000 acres between the San Francisco Bay and the Santa Cruz mountains (portions of three counties, 16 cities).	All acquired lands owned by the District. 24 preserves 250 miles of trails	All lands managed by the District.	Property taxes collected within the District (\$01.7 per \$100 assessed value -- approx. \$10 million annually).
<b>East Bay Regional Park District</b> Est. 1934	91,000 acres throughout Alameda and Contra Costa counties.	All acquired lands owned by the District. 59 parks 1,000 miles of trails	Some parks in the regional system are State Parks. District lands managed by the District.	Property taxes.  1988 Bond Measure (Measure AA) for acquisition, habitat preservation and facility improvements.  Regional Parks Foundation also raises funds to support the District.
<b>Twin Cities Regional Parks System</b> Est. 1974	Seven-county Minneapolis/St. Paul metro area.	State, County, cities and special districts own their parks and trails.  Metropolitan Council is authorized to determine what parks and trails should be included in the regional park system.	State, County, cities and special districts manage all parks and trails.  Metropolitan Council does not manage or own any lands in the regional park system.	Metropolitan Council allocates state and regional funding.  Since 1974, \$312 million for acquisition and development. Starting in 1985 \$2-4.5 million annual allocation for operations and maintenance of the system.
<b>Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority</b> Est. 1939 by Michigan State Legislature, approved by county residents 1940.	13 MetroParks covering almost 24,000 acres. Parks are generally more than 1,000 acres each. Also includes 9 full-service interpretive centers (nature, farm, historical).	Governed by 7-member commission. Two selected by the Governor, others selected by each of the five member counties.  All lands owned by the Metropolitan Authority.	All lands managed by the Authority.	Principally property tax levy and user fees (includes golf courses).
<b>Toronto and Region Conservation Authority</b> Est. 1957	32,000 acres acquired within nine watersheds in Great Lakes Basin.	All acquired lands owned by the Authority.	Manages some lands. Also utilize management agreements with the City of Toronto and other local municipalities for management.	

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