

METRO REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES  
**Greenspaces Technical Advisory Committee**

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**MEETING NOTES:**

Wednesday, January 12, 2000  
1 to 3 p.m.  
Metro Regional Center

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**Metro's Natural Resource Protection Strategies: Public Involvement Plan**

Jennifer Budhabhatti presented the public involvement plan for the newly-named Greenspaces Protection Plan. The goals of the public involvement plan are to inform the public about the work being done and to get their input and feedback. The three major pieces of the plan are a series of presentations to local groups (the "Top 20" list of local stakeholders) through March; several open houses around the region in February (a collaborative effort with Metro's Goal 5 habitat protection program); and the Parks Forum, a grassroots level gathering of friends of greenspaces. For more information, call Jennifer at 797-1876.

**Goal 5/Title 3 Update**

Mark Turpel from Metro's Growth Management Services presented an update on the work being done on Goal 5 (see enclosed fact sheet). For a copy of the discussion draft of *Streamside CPR - Development of Measures to Conserve, Protect and Restore Riparian Corridors in the Metro Region* (December 1999) or the PowerPoint summary presentation, call Heather Nelson Kent at 797-1739. There is also extensive information available on Metro's web site at [www.metro-region.org](http://www.metro-region.org).

**Mapping "Regionally Significant" Natural Areas**

Jennifer Budhabhatti and Joe Price (from Metro's Data Resource Center) presented some examples of how the GIS mapping tools and the data that has been collected so far can be used to model "regional significance" using several likely variables. Maps have been prepared to show regional greenspaces as they relate to several ecological and community values including: size, presence of wetlands and waterways, connectivity, biological diversity, proximity to mass transit, views and vistas, and potential for trail corridors. For more information or to participate on the subcommittee working to define "regional significance", call Jennifer at 797-1876. The subcommittee meets next on February 24, 9 a.m. to noon at Metro Regional Center in room 101.

**Level of Service Standards Report Discussion**

Steve Bosak led a discussion about the draft Level of Service Standards document prepared by the Level of Service Subcommittee. The changes recommended by GTAC will be made to the document and distributed at the next GTAC meeting. The LOS Subcommittee is meeting Tuesday, Feb. 15 at Metro to wrap up their work. Any additional comments regarding the LOS report should be directed to Steve Bosak (503-645-6433) prior to this meeting.

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**FEBRUARY MEETING IS CANCELLED . . .**

The next GTAC meeting will be Wednesday, March 8 at the Tualatin Hills Nature Park. It will be a joint GTAC/Quarterly Trails meeting and is tentatively scheduled from 1 to 4 p.m.

**JOIN US TO DISCUSS REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE . . .**

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