

Greenspaces Technical Advisory Committee

SUMMARY MINUTES: *Wednesday, April 14, 1999*
 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 Federal Building 911

Urban Forest Canopy/Land Cover mapping presentation

Sam Doak from Ecotrust reported on the progress of the inventory and mapping projects included in the implementation of Title 3 of the Regional Framework Plan. Ecotrust's work is focused on the determination of the region's urban forest canopy cover, land cover, and vegetation classification/characterization for natural areas. See the enclosed handout entitled *Portland Metro Inventory and Mapping Project Summary* for more information.

Metro is seeking input from GTAC members to help define the criteria for natural areas used in this project. Please contact Jennifer Budhabhatti at 797-1876 if you are interested in participating. (The results will be reviewed by all of GTAC).

Update on Policy Paper

Jennifer Budhabhatti reported on the progress of the policy paper "Compendium of Regulatory and Non-Regulatory Policies for Natural Areas and Parks Protection". The purpose of the paper is to identify successful strategies to encourage private landowners to conserve and protect natural resources, and to discuss the related issues. The study looks at regulatory and non-regulatory strategies used elsewhere and will employ a survey of stakeholders and program administrators.

Next Steps: second year work plan development

Metro is beginning to draft a second year work plan for the Regional Framework Plan and is looking for volunteers from GTAC to help shape the work that will happen next. Please contact Jennifer Budhabhatti at 797-1876 if you are interested in participating or if you have any input. (The results will be reviewed by all of GTAC).

Action Item: Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999, federal legislation

GTAC voted unanimously to support a resolution to the Metro Council to endorse the proposed Federal legislation which would preserve, protect and enhance parks, open spaces, fish and wildlife habitat, trails and recreational facilities with the following revision:

"Whereas, Metro and local government park providers could compete for funding from each Federal program and thereby leverage limited local funds . . . "

was changed to

"Whereas, Metro and local government park providers and non-profit land conservation organizations could compete for funding from each Federal program and thereby leverage limited local funds . . . "

See enclosed copy of the new draft.

Regional Goal 5 Update

Rosemary Furfey of Metro's Growth Management Services reported on the progress of Goal 5 efforts. The goal of the project is to identify, map, analyze and determine protection, enhancement and restoration measures for Goal 5 regional resources for fish and wildlife habitat as directed by Title 3, Section 5 of the Urban Growth Management Functional Plan.

Current work is focused on the development and implementation of a public involvement plan that informs and involves local jurisdictions, landowners, public natural resource agencies and citizens. A four-week process of intensive, multi-day policy workshops and public open houses around the region began on April 20 and will continue through May 12. See the enclosed *Streamside CPR* handout for more information.

Please contact Jennifer Budhabhatti at 797-1876 or Rosemary Furfey at 797-1726 or Jennifer Thompson at 231-6179 for more information. (Jennifer Thompson is the GTAC representative to the Goal 5 committee.)

Regional ESA Coordination

David Moskowitz was unable to attend and will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

NEXT MEETING: *Wednesday, June 9, 1999*
 1 to 3 p.m.
 Metro Regional Center
 Room 370

PLEASE NOTE! The May 12 meeting has been cancelled.
