METRO REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RPAGAC) MEETING NOTICE

Date:

Tuesday, May 4, 1999

Time:

6:30 - 8:00PM

Place:

Metro Regional Center, 600 NE Grand Ave, Portland, Room 270

AGENDA

I. Introductory comments and announcements (10 minutes)

 II. Revision of the By-laws of the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee (Ron Klein) (15 minutes)
 Committee discussion, recommendation and approval

- III. RPAGAC letter of support to U.S. congressional delegation for federal funding to preserve, protect and enhance parks, open spaces, fish and wildlife habitat, trails and recreational facilities. (Ron Klein) (10 minutes)
 Committee review, discussion and approval
- IV Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces slide show (Ron Klein) (20 minutes)

 Committee review
- V. Adjourn

The advisory committee will review their current by-laws that address the form and function of the organization. The by-laws were approved by Metro Council when the advisory committee was originally established in 1994 (Metro Resolution No. 94-2026). Metro staff recommends updating the by-laws to reflect implementation of the Regional Framework Plan and the Parks and Natural Areas Protection Plan.

The advisory committee will review and approve a committee letter to the Oregon and Washington U.S congressional delegation endorsing proposed federal legislation that would provide grant funds for parks and greenspaces, including the Portland metropolitan region.

Ron Klein will present the new Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces slide show. The show highlights Metro facilities, programs and opportunities for people to get involved with the protection and stewardship of the region's vital green heritage.

Next RPAGAC meeting will be on June 1, 1999 Metro Regional Center, PM



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The Honorable Ron Wyden United States Senate Senate Hart Office Bldg #516 Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Wyden,

The Metro Regional Parks & Greenspaces Advisory Committee, during its April 6, 1999 meeting, voted unanimously to support the proposed Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999 (CARA).

The components of the bill of most interest to the committee are:

- 1) the increase in appropriations for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, (LWCF) the largest funding source for assistance to state and local governments for park conservation and development projects which would significantly leverage local funds available for land acquisitions and park improvement projects,
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This committee respectfully requests your endorsement and active support of the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999 or a similar measure with equal or greater financial support for the elements mentioned above. Please work to ensure the best legislation possible is generated. Thank you.

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The Honorable Gordon Smith United States Senate Senate Dirksen Office Bldg #359 Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Earl Blumenauer United States House of Representatives 1406 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Peter DeFazio
United States House of Representatives
2134 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative DeFazio,

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The Honorable Darlene Hooley United States House of Representatives 1130 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable David Wu United States House of Representatives 510 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Slade Gorton **United States Senate** Senate Hart Office Building #730 Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Patty Murray United States Senate Senate Russell Office Building #173 Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Murray,

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The Honorable Norman Dicks United States House of Representatives 2467 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Dicks,

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The Honorable Adam Smith United States House of Representatives 116 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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