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# Smith & Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area Management Committee

Nancy Hendrickson, Chair

## **Smith & Bybee Lakes Management Committee Meeting**

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 25, 2000 Metro Regional Center, Room 270 600 N E Grand Ave. Portland, Oregon 97232

## AGENDA

Call meeting to order; Introductions Review and approval of March meeting notes	5:30 - 5:35 pm
Updates	5:35 - 5:50 pm
Presentation – Lombard/Burgard railroad bridge Janice Newton, PDOT	5:50 - 6:30 pm
Discussion – Role of the Management Committee (e.g., use of herbicide) Nancy Hendrickson, Elaine Stewart	6:30 - 6:50 pm
Set May agenda	6:50 - 6:55 pm
Discussion – Sub-committee meetings -schedule dates/times	6:55 -7:00 pm

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## Smith & Bybee Lakes Management Committee Summary Meeting Notes

Metro Regional Center Room 270 April 25, 2000 5:30 PM

In Attendance:

Dave Simmons Janice Newton Scott Forrester Kevin O'Sullivan \* Bill Bach Gerry Meyer \* Nancy Hendrickson \* Jim Lanbenthal Elaine Stewart Bill Briggs \* Jim Morgan \* Peter Teneau \* Pat Sullivan Pam Arden \* Emily Roth \* Liz Callison Holly Michael \*

CH2M Hill Portland - Bureau of Transportation Citizen St. Johns Neighborhood Assoc. Port of Portland Port of Portland Portland - Bureau of Environmental Services Port of Portland Metro Parks - Wildlife Area Manager Merit U S A Inc Metro Executive Officer rep Friends of Smith & Bybee lakes Metro - Parks & Greenspaces 40 Mile Loop Land Trust Portland Audubon Society - alternate rep Citizen OR Dept of Fish & Wildlife

\* - voting member

#### Introductions/Review and Approval of Meeting Notes

The March meeting notes were approved as presented.

#### <u>Updates</u>

There will be a public hearing at the City of Portland on May 15<sup>th</sup> concerning the North Marine Drive project. Contact person is Stacey Wenger (823-7586).

Smith & Bybee Lakes Day will be held on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Participation is encouraged.

A Solv-It Day project at the lakes is planned for Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:30 am. Participants will meet at the parking lot.

Emily Roth, former Smith & Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area Manager, representing Portland Audubon Society as an alternate at this meeting, reported sighting a newly constructed beaver dam four feet in height, as well as the beginning of a second one, during the most recent Friends of S & B Lakes canoe trip.

Scott Forrester, an interested citizen, expressed concern over the application of the herbicide, Rodeo, in the wildlife area as part of a habitat restoration project. It is being utilized in an effort to control the reed canarygrass. In referring to a beaver carcass that was found in the general

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vicinity of the spraying, he requested toxicology tests be arranged. Elaine Stewart responded that the beaver, when located, was highly decomposed with no soft tissue remaining, precluding viable results. Forrester also proposed a Metro-wide discussion, open to the public, on the application of herbicides and pesticides at any of Metro's open and green spaces.

**Presentation - Lombard/Burgard Railroad Bridge Project** Janice Newton from the City of Portland Transportation Bureau, and Dave Simmons, from CH2M Hill, consultant on the project, provided an overview. Included was a conceptual description of the project and an explanation of the development process. The structure, which will rise a maximum of 30 ft. above what is now Lombard St., will traverse two railroad crossings. A question and answer session elicited the following information: 1) negotiations are ongoing with utility companies for access, 2) construction and the hauling of materials will also necessitate access, 3) the project process will include meeting with interest groups and stakeholders and distributing a project newsletter, 4) actual construction should take 1 to 1-1/2 years at a cost of approximately \$20 million.

A request was made that the Friends of S & B Lakes be listed as a separate interest group, in addition to the Management Committee. Roth sees an opportunity for the creation of a wildlife corridor being built into the project. The committee asked that it be provided with schedules of open houses, workshops and relevant hearings.

**Discussion - Role of the Management Committee** - Stewart led the discussion, the need for which was brought about during a debate on the topic of herbicide use at the wildlife area. In compiling information on the committee's role, Stewart referred to the Natural Resources Management Plan. Handouts included relevant pages on the duties of the committee, a roster of current members and guidelines for representing oneself when participating on citizen advisory committees. She further explained Metro's role in day to day "on the ground" management of the area and the guidance the Management Plan provides. Jim Morgan reminded committee members that the group was set up as an advisory council, not a regulatory one.

#### Discussion - Sub-Committee Meetings/ Scope of Work/Schedule

The following three sub-committees were discussed:

- 1) Dam Removal
- 2) Herbicide Use
- 3) Model Airplane Development on Landfill Site.

Sign-ups followed. Stewart provided a handout on the draft scope of work and a list of tasks for each of the groups that she and Nancy Hendrickson developed. Policy recommendations formulated by the sub-committees are forwarded to the full Management Committee, for possible referral to the Regional Parks & Greenspaces Advisory Committee and then to Metro Council.

Stewart emphasized the necessity for advance notification of sub-committee meetings to abide by the public meeting laws. She asked sub-committees to call Patricia Sullivan (797-1870) at least 10 days ahead of the meeting to allow time for advertising and posting of the meetings.

CITY OF PORTLAND OFFICE OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW 1900 SW Fourth Avenue, Suite 5000 Portland, OR 97201 P524 Land Use Review Notice Enclosed Case # 99 - 00929 EN



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# NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

CASE FILE:LUR 99-00929 ENREVIEW BY:Hearings OfficerWHEN:May 15, 2000 9:30 amWHERE:1900 SW Fourth Ave., Suite 3000Portland, OR 97201

It is important to submit all evidence to the Hearings Officer. City Council will not accept additional evidence if there is an appeal of this proposal.

Date:	April 24, 2000	
То:	Interested Person	
From:	Stacey Wenger, Development Review (503) 823-7586	

Development has been proposed in your neighborhood requiring a land use review. The proposal, review process, and information on how to respond to this notice are described below. A copy of the site plan and zoning map is attached. I am the staff person handling the case. Please call me if you have questions regarding this proposal. Please contact the applicant if you have questions regarding any future development on the site.

#### CASE FILE NUMBER: LUR 99-00929 EN

Applicant Info:	Stacy L. Bluhm, Applicant/Contact City of Portland, Bureau of Transportation, Engineering and Development 1120 SW Fifth, Rm 802 Portland, OR 97204 823-7723
	Port of Portland, Property Owner Tom Hjort PO Box 3529 Portland, OR 97208 944-7318
Additional Owners:	See Attachment A
Representative:	Mary Dorman, Dorman and Company 6131 NE Alameda Portland, OR 97213 281-8515
Site Address:	North Marine Drive
Tax Account No.:	R708885830, R708882820, R649767100, R708884700, R649767090, R649767110, R708886200, R708886101, R708886106, R708887900, R708886110, R951300090, R708887880, R708887860, R708886116, R708886120, R708887820, R708886170, R649741490, R708886140, R649741510, R649741500, R951300030, R708886160, R708886114, R708886180, R708885900, R484400270, R708886204, R70888583, R484400300, R708888520, R708888500, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885920, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885900, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885900, R4040270, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708887920, R708885820, R70888500, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R70888500, R70888500, R708887920, R708885820, R70888500, R708887920, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885820, R708885800, R708885800, R708885800, R708885800, R708886100, R708886100, R708886000, R708885800, R708887900, R708887900, R708885800, R70888500, R708887920, R708885800, R708887900, R708887900, R708887900, R708887900, R708887900, R708887800, R708887800, R708887800, R708885800, R70888500, R70888500, R70888500, R708885000, R7088

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Quarter Section:	1623/1624/1625/1724/1725/1522/1523/1521/1421/1422/1423/ 1321
Neighborhood: Business District: District Coalition:	St. Johns, contact Linda Hval at 286-1375. Columbia Corridor Association, contact Anne Nickle at 287-8686. North Portland Neighborhood Office, contact Tom Griffin-Valade at 823-4524.
Zoning:	IHh, (Heavy Industrial base zone with an Aircraft Landing overlay zone) OShp, (Open Space base zone with Environmental Protection and Aircraft Landing overlay zones) Smith and Bybee Lakes Natural Resources Management Plan Area
Case Type: Procedure Type:	EN (Environmental Review) Type III

This application was determined to be complete on March 8, 2000.

#### PROPOSAL

The applicant proposes to widen and improve North Marine Drive, by expanding the rightof-way and constructing several facilities in the Environmental Protection overlay zone. The new south curb of the roadway is proposed to be located 18 to 49 feet south of the centerline of the existing right-of-way within the Environmental overlay zone. A berm, 4 feet high and 15 feet wide at the top, and a four foot high noise wall, will be added along the Smith and Bybee Lakes frontage of North Marine Drive. A 10 foot wide extension of the 40-Mile Loop Trail is proposed to be added on top of the berm, with a 5 foot landscaped area planted between the south edge of the trail and the noise wall. In addition, the applicant proposes to construct a left-turn lane at the Smith and Bybee Lakes parking lot. A pedestrian refuge island and bus pull out area will be added to the bus stop that serves the Smith and Bybee Lakes recreation area. Another landscaped median island will be located in the roadway fronting Nordstrom's property, where the adjacent conflicting driveway will be closed. There will be a new driveway constructed and improvements to the Smith and Bybee Lakes parking lot.

The applicant proposes to build in-ground spill containment and water quality facilities to minimize impacts to the Environmental zone on the south side of the road. Three existing untreated stormwater outfalls will be removed. Two 8 inch existing outfalls will be upsized to 12 and 15 inches. Bank stabilization structures including coir logs, brush layering and live willow staking will provide outfall protection.

As the southern portion of this site is located in an Environmental Protection overlay zone, an Environmental Review is required. However, since part of the site lies within the Smith and Bybee Lakes Natural Resources Management Plan area, compliance with the regulations of the Natural Resources Management Plan for Smith and Bybee Lakes will be necessary (Portland Zoning code, section 33.430.030).

#### Approval Criteria Citation

In order to be approved, this proposal must comply with the approval criteria of the Natural

Resources Management Plan for Smith and Bybee Lakes. The applicable criteria are found on pages 67 and 68 of the Natural Resources Management Plan. The 40-mile loop trail will be reviewed as a Type II Development in conformance with the Plan, and the remaining components of the proposal will be reviewed as a Type III Major Exception to the Plan. The approval criteria in the Natural Resources Management Plan will override environmental review standards found in the Portland Zoning code, section 33.430.

#### **DECISION MAKING PROCESS**

The Office of Planning and Development Review will be making a recommendation on this proposal; our report and recommendation will be available 10 days before the hearing. If you call (503) 823-7300, the receptionist can mail you the report, or you may pick it up at our office at 1900 SW Fourth Ave., Suite 5000. The file and all evidence on this case is available for your review by appointment. Please contact the receptionist at (503) 823-7300 to schedule a time. I can provide some information over the phone. Copies of all information in the file can be obtained for a fee equal to the cost for such services. You may also find additional information about the City of Portland and City Bureaus as well as a digital copy of the Portland Zoning Code, by visiting the City's homepage on the Internet at www.ci.portland.or.us.

The neighborhood association, listed on the first page of this notice, may take a position on this application and may have scheduled an open meeting prior to making their recommendation to the Office of Planning and Development Review. Please contact the person listed as the neighborhood contact to determine the time and date of this meeting.

We are seeking your comments on this proposal. The evidentiary proceeding before the Hearings Officer will be the only opportunity for the parties to submit oral and written evidence in this matter. Any appeal to the City Council will be limited to legal arguments concerning the Hearings Officer decision and the evidence in the record compiled by the Hearings Officer in support of that decision.

To comment, you may write to the Land Use Hearings Officer, 1900 SW Fourth Ave., Suite 3000 or FAX your comments to (503) 823-4347; or you may testify at the hearing. In your comments, you should address the approval criteria. Please refer to the file number when seeking information or submitting testimony. Written comments must be received by the end of the hearing. The applicant and Planning staff will be at the hearing to answer questions and respond to comments. The general order of appearance for oral testimony at the hearing is as follows: Office of Planning and Development Review staff report, applicant testimony, testimony of interested parties who wish to ask questions or testify, staff response and closing comments, and applicant's closing comments. The Hearings Officer will make a decision about this proposal within 17 days of the close of the hearing.

The applicant and proponents have the burden of proof to show that each and every element of the approval criteria are satisfied. In order to prevail, the opponents must persuade the Hearings Officer to find that the applicant has not carried the burden of proof with regard to one or more of the approval criteria. The opponents may also explain to the Hearings Officer how or why the facts asserted by the applicant are not supported by evidence in the record. Opponents may wish to recommend conditions of approval which will make the proposal more acceptable, if approved.

Prior to the conclusion of the hearing before the Hearings Officer, any participant may request an opportunity to present additional evidence or testimony regarding the application. If such a request is made, the record will be held open for seven days to receive the new evidence and the record shall be held open for an additional seven days to provide the other parties an opportunity to respond to that new evidence.

#### APPEAL PROCESS

You can appeal the Hearings Officer decision to City Council. However, the appeal to City Council will be conducted as an on-the-record review of the Hearings Officer decision. The City Council will consider legal arguments (for example arguments pointing out ways the Hearings Officer decision improperly interprets or applies relevant approval criteria). The City Council will also consider arguments that the Hearings Officer findings are not supported by the evidence submitted to the Hearings Officer. However, the City Council will not accept or consider new evidence that was not submitted to the Hearings Officer.

A fee is charged for appeals. Recognized neighborhood associations and low-income individuals may qualify for an appeal fee waiver. City Council's decision may be appealed to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA).

Failure to raise an issue, in person or by letter, by the close of the record by the Hearings Officer in this case may preclude an appeal to LUBA on that issue. Also, if you do not provide enough detailed information to the Hearings Officer, they may not be able to respond to the issue you are trying to raise. In such a situation, an appeal to LUBA on that issue may not be allowed.

Thank you for any information you can provide to help us make this decision. Please call me if you have any questions. My name and number are on the first page of this notice.

#### HEARING CANCELLATION

This public hearing will be cancelled if Portland Public Schools close due to inclement weather or other similar emergency. Check local television and radio reports for school closures. The hearing will be rescheduled for the earliest possible date. A re-notification notice will not be sent. Please call the Office of Planning and Development Review at 823-7300, for immediate information regarding cancellations or rescheduling.

To attend the hearing, public transportation is available. The following Tri-Met buses stop near the OPDR building at SW Fifth or Sixth Ave. at Hall St: Bus lines 1, 5, 12, 17, 19, 40, 43, 45, and 55. Call Tri-Met at 238-7433 (or <u>www.tri-met.org/routes\_times.htm</u>) for routes and times. Hourly rated public parking is available a half block south of the building on Fourth Ave.

The Office of Planning and Development Review is committed to providing equal access to information and hearings. If you need special accommodations, please call 823-7300 (TTY 823-6868).

#### **Enclosures:**

Zoning Map Site Plans List of additional owners

#### Attachment A-Additional Owners:

Burlington Northern 999 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Seattle, WA 98104-4001

Portland General Electric Co. 121 SW Salmon St. Portland, OR 97204

Pasco Corp of America 6500 N Marine Dr. Portland, OR 97203

Oregon Transfer Company 9304 SE Main St. Milwaukie, OR 97222-7332

Spieker Properties LP 4380 SW Macadam #10 Portland, OR 97201

Rodda Paint Co. 12000 SW Garden PL Tigard, OR 97223-8263

Northwest Tire Factory Group 6102 N Marine Dr. Portland, OR 97203

Anderson HA 1931 Rohlwing Rd. #A Rolling Meadows, IL 60008-1360

Kenneth Hart 2211 NW 116<sup>th</sup> St. Vancouver, WA 98685-3695

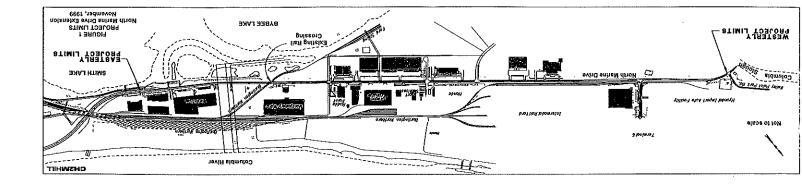
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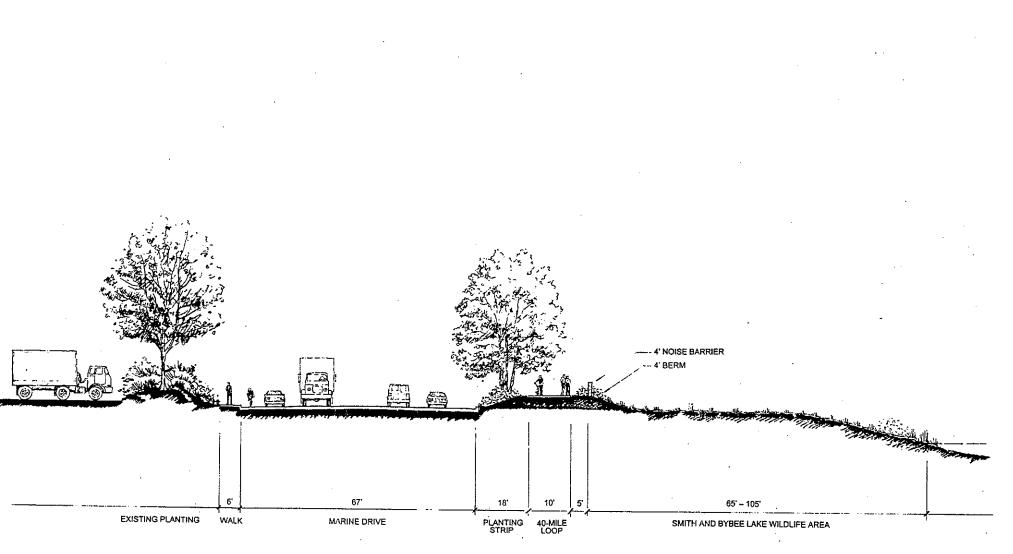
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Shikishima Baking Co. Ltd. 6500 N Marine Dr. Portland, OR 97203

Pizza Blends Inc. 155 108<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE #601 Bellevue, WA 98004

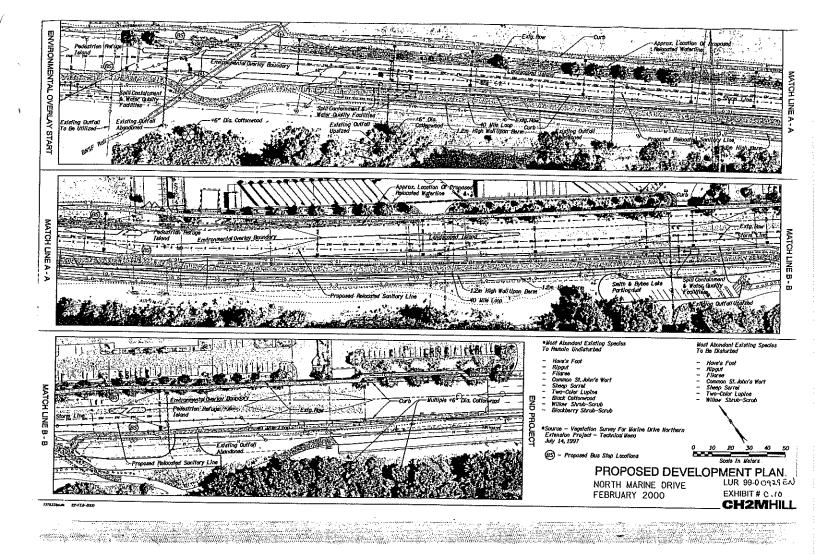


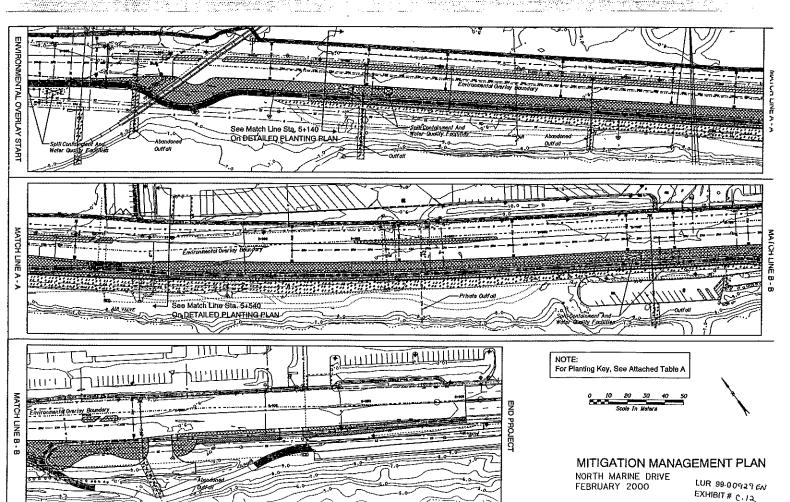
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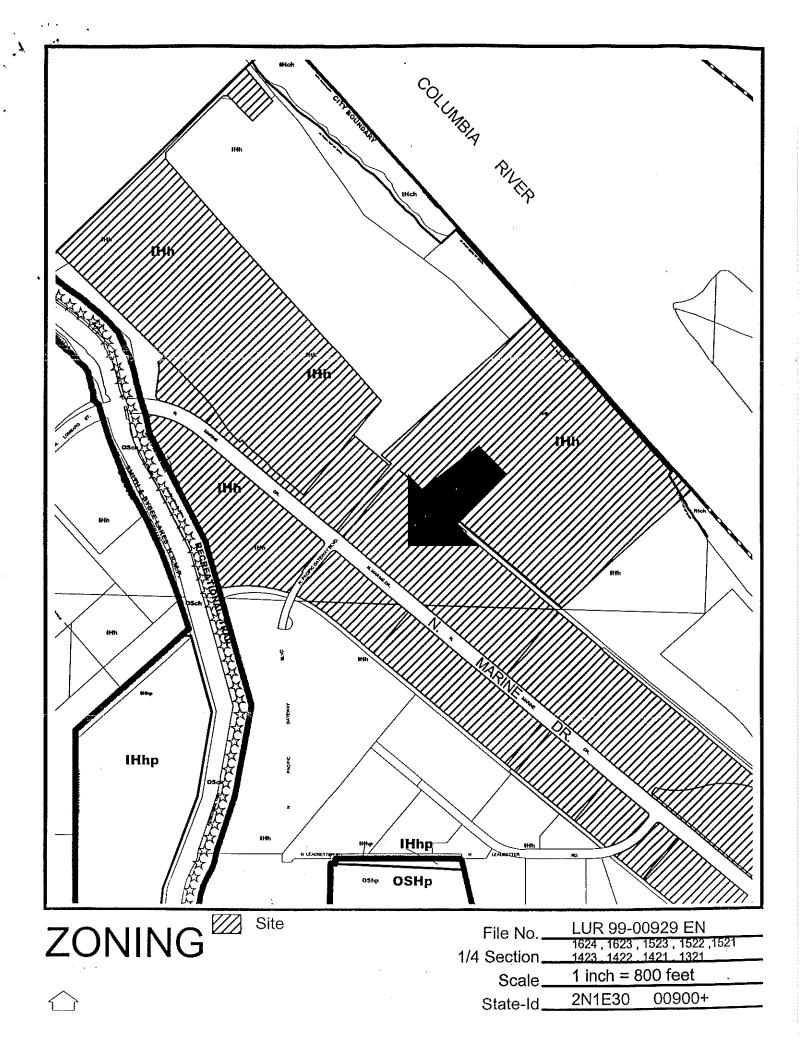


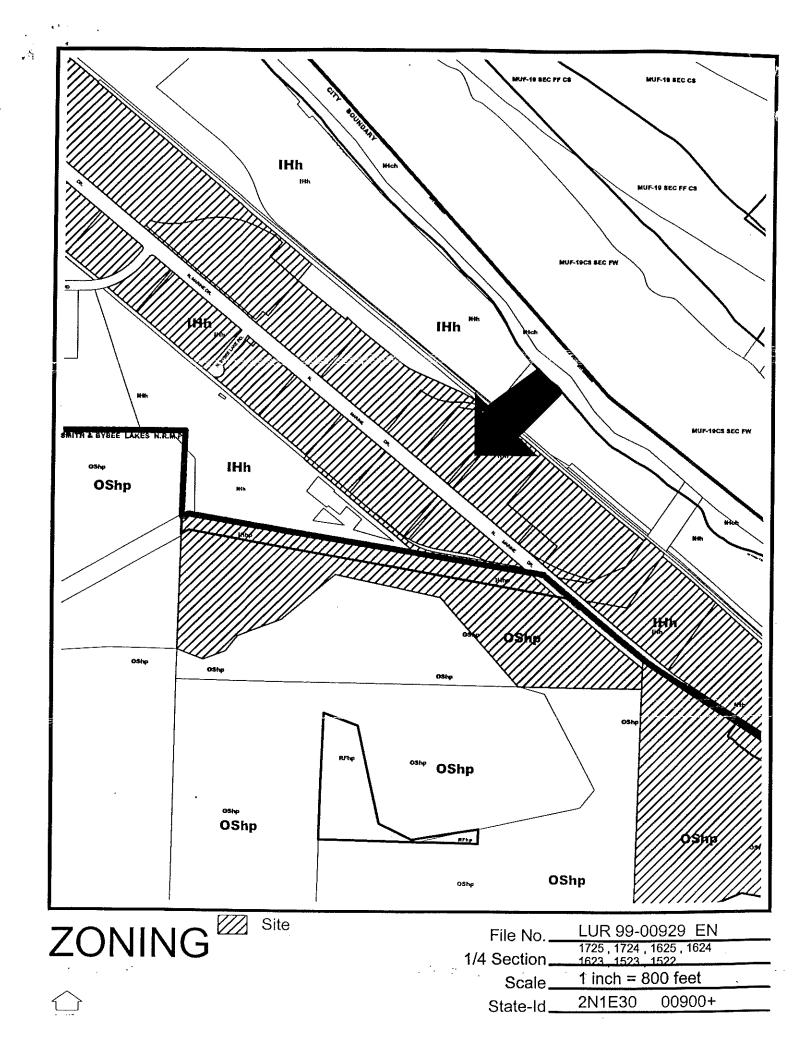
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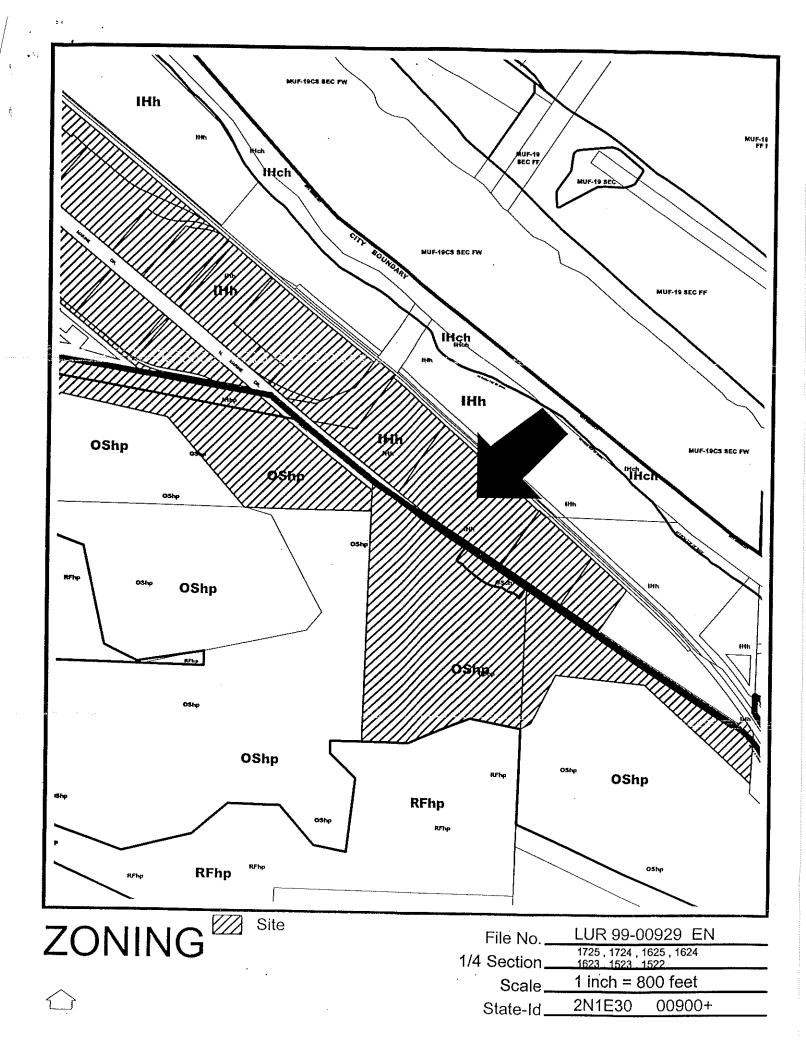
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# Correspondence

- Port's water conservation & mgt. plan
- . North Marine Drive design review
- Herbicide use

Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee Meeting April 25, 2000

## Smith & Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area Management Committee

Nancy Hendrickson, Chair

Metro

600 NE Grand Ave. Portland, OR 97232 (503) 797-1515

March 30, 2000

Bill Fujii

Water Resources Department Commerce Building 158 12<sup>th</sup> Street NE Salem, OR 97301-4172

Dear Mr. Fujii:

The Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee would like to comment on the Port of Portland Water Management and Conservation Plan (December 1999).

- 1. Permit No. S-51548 for withdrawal of Columbia River water for nonpotable uses includes an allotted rate of 35.63 cfs for environmental enhancement of the Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area. We recommend retention of this allotment for withdrawal from the Columbia River. Further, the committee would like to explore the possibility of transferring this water right to the North Slough or the Columbia Slough in the Willamette River drainage. Drawing water from the Columbia River may prove cost-prohibitive and the North Slough or Columbia Slough may provide a reasonable alternative.
- 2. The Port of Portland's plan calls for drawing water from a number of wells to be located on the north and west sides of the Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area. We urge the development of a groundwater model that encompasses the Rivergate area, including the St. Johns Landfill. Building on information from extensive modeling efforts made by Metro, additional groundwater modeling will prove valuable in evaluating the potential impact of various groundwater withdrawal scenarios envisioned by the Port. We are concerned about possible effects of the wells on movement of contaminants detected at the St. Johns Landfill, located to the south of Bybee Lake. The wells' effects on groundwater movement should be closely monitored and evaluated, and alternative water sources should be used if detrimental effects are discovered.
- 3. The plan provides limited information on the Port of Portland's efforts to conserve water. We support continued work between the Port of Portland and the Portland Water Bureau (and other appropriate agencies) for water conservation. While all parties agree that a water use conservation plan is appropriate, we would like to see a written plan.

Sincerely,

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Nancy Hendrickson Chair, Smith and Bybee Management Committee

C: Smith and Bybee Management Committee Mike Thorne, Port of Portland Mike Burton, Metro

From:	Elaine Stewart
То:	Stacy@trans.ci.portland.or.us
Date:	Fri, Apr 7, 2000 2:28 PM
Subject:	North Marine Drive

Hi Stacy:

Thank you for reviewing the 90 percent design specifications for North Marine Drive near Smith and Bybee lakes with Nancy Hendrickson, Peter Teneau and me. I was glad that Laura Herbon was there to discuss the landscaping part of the plans.

To summarize the points we discussed:

The project needs to include re-striping the Smith and Bybee lakes parking lot and post the bus-only parking area (at project's expense).

Street lighting must be focused down and away from the wildlife area, and should include appropriate shielding to avoid light pollution of the wildlife area. The lighting need not shine directly into the wildlife area to affect wildlife; indirect artificial light can alter wildlife behavior.

Catchment inserts such as "silt-sack" should be placed in catch-basins, and should be regularly maintained, inspected frequently (especially during rain events), and disposed of properly.

Any fertilizer that is used near the wildlife area should be minimal, temperature-sensitive and slow-release.

• Road construction near Smith and Bybee lakes will occur outside the March-July time period (Emily Roth told me about this; I did not see it in the design specs).

The construction contractors must be willing to work with me to establish protocols for interactions with turtles. I don't see this as a problem, especially since construction will occur largely outside the window of greatest turtle activity, but we need to have some arrangements in place for handling wayward and/or injured animals.

Please don't hesitate to call me at 797-1515 if you have any questions or need clarification about any of the items.

-Elaine Stewart

for Smith & Bybee Lakes Management Committee

CC: Nancyh@bes.ci.portland.or.us



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April 10, 2000

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Linda Hval, Chair St. Johns Neighborhood Association 8316 N Lombard St #441 Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. Hval,

I received your letter of March 28<sup>th</sup> discussing your concerns about the use of glyphosate on reed canarygrass at Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area. The herbicide application is complete; it was finished last week and the native plants and seeds have been planted. The contractor followed all EPA requirements relating to herbicide concentration, application and posting the area.

Your letter indicates that you still have many questions regarding reed canarygrass. For more information, I suggest that you visit the Society for Ecological Restoration reed canarygrass working group web page at *www.halcyon.com/sernw/rc\_home.htm*. Other contacts that may be helpful to you are Eric Coombs, Oregon Department of Agriculture (Salem), at (503) 986-4624, and Holly Michael, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, at 657-2000.

You asked how we balance risk, cost and effectiveness in our habitat restoration efforts. We do not have a set formula that we use. We look at areas with the greatest need and potential benefit, available funds, and ecological effects and feasibility of various methods. Researchers and managers across the country are experimenting with a variety of techniques for controlling reed canarygrass. The results of the Smith and Bybee lakes pilot project may be useful in determining the most effective method for controlling this pest. In any event, our highest priority will continue to be the health of Smith and Bybee lakes and those who use this resource.

Sincerely,

Director Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department

cc Metro Council Executive Officer Mike Burton Jeff Stone, Council Chief of Staff Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee



St. Johns Neighborhood Association 8316 N. Lombard St., #441 Portland, OR 97203

March 28, 2000

TO: Charles Ciecko, Metro Parks

CC: Metro Council Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee

#### **RE:** Herbicide Use at Smith and Bybee Lakes

This is in response to your letter, dated March 22. That letter raised more questions than it answered, and it deepened our concerns about the proposal to apply herbicides at Smith and Bybee Lakes.

In your letter, you stated that "Metro has a policy in place that covers herbicide use," and you referred to the 1995 executive order establishing an integrated pest management (IPM) policy. The application of glyphosate at Smith and Bybee Lakes therefore "follows Metro policy."

The SJNA would like to point out that, according to Jim Morgan, "there has never been an official policy" in the Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Plan, nor has a policy ever been established by the Management Committee, regarding herbicide use. (see page 3 of the January 25 meeting minutes for the Management Committee). Mr. Morgan also assured the Management Committee that the proposed herbicide application was "not the making of a unilateral decision." Further, as your letter stated, "This is the first time that glyphosate will be used at Smith and Bybee Lakes." Therefore, the SJNA firmly believes that Metro should allow the Management Committee to first establish an official herbicide policy for the Lakes, and until then, Metro should not proceed with any unilateral decision to apply glyphosate at Smith and Bybee Lakes.

Your letter stated that reed canary grass is a "serious problem" at Smith and Bybee Lakes. We remain unconvinced. What is the precise nature of this problem and just how serious is it? Is the canary grass spreading at Smith and Bybee Lakes? It seems to be fairly well contained by natural aquatic and vegetative barriers. How did the canary grass first become established? Wasn't its establishment a result of previous policy implementations at the Lakes (policies that in hindsight were ill-conceived)? We believe that between canary grass and herbicides, the grass is the lesser evil, particularly as its eradication may be unachievable, no matter what you do. In fact, many find the canary grass to be an aesthetically pleasing feature of the area. Your letter stated that glyphosate will be used "while the new plants become established. As the trees and shrubs grow, they will begin to shade out the reed canary grass." This implies an excessively long period of time during which the glyphosate would need be applied – spanning several years - until the new vegetation takes hold. This is cause for grave concern, as glyphosate has a half-life of over 100 days, is highly toxic in many respects, and is considered "extremely persistent" by the EPA. Thus, the application of this chemical to this sensitive habitat and recreational area would be fairly permanent over a long period of time. We also take issue with your statement that "Rodeo is approved for use in aquatic habitats." Who approved its use, what were the approval criteria, and who developed those criteria?

We believe that this proposed approach to canary grass eradication/control needs to be better researched and more fully assessed. George Kral, BES forester, told the Management Committee that he found "little hazard" after looking at only two websites - Monsanto's and Greenpeace's. It is our belief that, with further objective research, reasonable alternatives to pesticides can be found. We are very wary of the precedent that would be set by the introduction of a chemical-based revegetation program, especially one that doesn't involve the Management Committee and the neighbors.

Other questions we have: In "seeking a balance of risk, cost and effectiveness," what balancing criteria would you use and how were they developed? And what is the source of funding for this pilot project? What are the total project costs? How are risks measured and assessed? Have all risks been anticipated? We believe not. If this pilot project is deemed "successful", what then? More herbicide applications?

Finally, we disagree with your statement that the herbicide application "will be located away from the public use area." This is simply not true. The proposed 20-acre treatment area is an area of high public use. Fishermen (women and children) walk throughout the entire area, off trail. Many other recreationists (including small children), as well as many children on class field trips, also explore throughout the area, and wander off-trail through the tall canary grass as part of their enjoyment of the area. This is particularly alarming, given the proposed broadcast spraying, in addition to spot spraying. Posting the "small area near the interlakes trail" would be entirely inadequate. To adequately protect the public, the entire area would need to be closed off for a lengthy period. Even then, no protection would be afforded to the aquatic, terrestrial and sub-terrestrial wildlife.

We therefore urge you to postpone indefinitely this proposed herbicide project, and to work closely and cooperatively with the Management Committee, the St. Johns neighborhood, and the outdoor classroom teachers (and parents). Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Linda S. Hval

Linda Hval, Chair St. Johns Neighborhood Association

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Same Letter went to Soltzman.

Metro

April 10, 2000

Mayor Vera Katz Room 340 1221 SW Fourth Ave. Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mayor Katz:

I received a copy of Kevin O'Sullivan's letter of April 3<sup>rd</sup> regarding herbicide spraying at Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area. Although Mr. O'Sullivan is a member of the Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee, he does not represent the committee. The management committee was fully informed of the pilot project, and when Mr. O'Sullivan attempted to insert the issue on the committee's agenda at its last meeting, he received no support. The committee did agree to discuss the issue again at its April meeting.

The glyphosate application, part of a habitat restoration project at Smith and Bybee lakes, was finished last week. We are very pleased with the work of the Bureau of Environmental Services in project oversight and implementation. The herbicide application was performed with the highest regard for the safety of humans and the environment, and it followed all EPA requirements. The native plant starts and seeds have all been planted.

I am very disappointed that Kevin O'Sullivan chose to mis-represent the facts in his letter to you. If you have any questions regarding this habitat restoration project or any other activities at Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area, please do not hesitate to call Elaine Stewart, the wildlife area manager, or me. Elaine can be reached at 797-1515. I can be reached at 797-1843.

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Sincerely, Charles Ciecke

cc

Director Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department

Metro Council Executive Officer Mike Burton Jeff Stone, Council Chief of Staff Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee St. Johns Neighborhood Association

#### April 3, 2000

TO: Mayor Katz

Commissioner Dan Saltzman Director, Portland Bureau of Environment Services

## **RE:** Herbicide Spraying at Smith and Bybee Lakes

I am writing to ask you to immediately cease and desist from the application of glyphosate herbicide at Smith and Bybee Lakes, which began on March 28. The city's Bureau of Environmental Services is applying the herbicide as a service for Metro Parks and Greenspaces. I am making this request as a member of the Metro Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee (SBLMC), as Vice-President of the St. Johns Neighborhood Association (whose boundaries include the lakes), as a resident of St. Johns, as a recreational user of Smith and Bybee Lakes, and as a parent of two young children. The SBLMC was never given any say in this herbicide pilot project for eradicating reed canary grass. Metro Parks Department made a unilateral decision to use herbicides and bypassed the SBLMC in clear violation of the Management Plan for Smith and Bybee Lakes. Until an herbicide policy consistent with the Management Plan for Smith and Bybee Lakes is developed by the SBLMC, and until the SBLMC fully evaluates the pros and cons of using herbicides in this popular recreation area and sensitive wildlife habitat, this herbicide project must stop.

The project will initially consist of broadcast spraying glyphosate over a 10 acre area. Spot applications will be done over another 10 acres. These 20 acres are an area of heavy recreational use by fishermen, hikers, birdwatchers, and children on classroom field trips. On Saturday, April 1, I visited the area to make observations. I was surprised and greatly dismayed to see that herbicide spraying had already begun. (Unfortunately, I brought my two pre-schoolers along with me, and I had to strictly supervise them to keep them away from the sprayed areas alongside the paths.). The SBLMC met just last Tuesday, March 28 (the day the application began), and yet the committee was never informed that the project had commenced that day, even though the subject had come up. The first and last time the Committee was given any information about the project was January 25, when they were briefly informed that the project might commence this year, but that nothing had supposedly been finalized yet. Metro Parks and Greenspaces has proceeded with this project without the Management Committee, even though the Management Plan very clearly designates the Committee "to oversee the implementation of the Management Plan and provide ongoing policy guidance." The Committee's duties also include making "recommendations for environmental programs" and the "assignment of or contracting with the appropriate public agencies for plan implementation." (pages 40, 50-51 of the Plan).

If this project continues, the area will be unsuitable for recreational uses this year because glyphosate is "extremely persistent" (according to the EPA), with a half-life exceeding 100 days. Humans are not the only ones at risk from exposure. Many biota will also be adversely affected by this project, including the fish. Metro recently wrote to the SJNA stating that no spraying would occur near the water, but this is obviously untrue, as many areas being sprayed are directly alongside the shoreline, soon to be submerged when the spring waters rise.

The city's "warning" signs at the Lakes are entirely inadequate. I was therefore not surprised to observe people hiking in the application areas last Saturday. I also observed a couple sitting, fishing and picnicking right in the middle of an application area, just behind a sign. Many more people were arriving that day, as I was leaving. The signs are few and far between, and they state only that glyphosate is being applied. The signs fail to say what glyphosate is nor do they inform the public about the dangers from glyphosate exposure. At a minimum, the public should be told to keep out of the entire area and the area should be roped off for at least 6 months after the last application of this herbicide. Better yet, don't even apply herbicides in the area.

There are abundant scientific studies documenting the toxic effects on humans and other biota from glyphosate. The following are examples of what science has to say about glyphosate.

- The EPA calls glyphosate "extremely persistent." Half life exceeds 100 days. Glyphosate has been found in streams following agricultural, urban and forestry applications.
- Glyphosate is "acutely toxic to animals, including humans. Symptoms include eye and skin irritation, headache, nausea, numbness, elevated blood pressure, and heart palpitations." (Journal of Pesticide Reform, Fall 1998, p. 3)
- "Laboratory studies have found adverse effects in all standard categories of laboratory toxicology testing [of glyphosate]. These include medium-term toxicity (salivary gland lesions), long-term toxicity (inflamed stomach linings), genetic damage (in human blood cells), effects on reproduction (reduces sperm counts in rats; increased frequency of abnormal sperm in rabbits), and carcinogenicity (increased frequency of liver tumors in male rats and thyroid cancer in female rats)." (IBID)
- "In studies of people exposed to glyphosate herbicides, exposure is associated with an increased risk of miscarriages, premature birth, and cancer non-Hodgkin's lymphoma." (IBID)
- "Glyphosate treatment has reduced populations of beneficial insects, birds, and small mammals by destroying vegetation on which they depend for food and shelter." (IBID)
- Glyphosate products contain "inert" ingredients with toxic effects, including nervous system depression and severe fire hazard, fetal loss and reduced fetal weights in lab animals, increased incidence of miscarriages in lab tests, eye burns, skin blistering, nausea, diarrhea, irreversible eye injury, deep skin ulcers, and severe allergic reactions, to name a few.

I cannot help but conclude that Metro Parks and Greenspaces has misled not only the Management Committee and the public, but also the City. Upon receipt of this letter, the City can no longer plead ignorance nor be an innocent pawn of Metro. The city must not gamble with the public's health and the health of the lake's ecosytem. Portland's image and economy is already suffering from the Willamette River's listing as a superfund site. We can no longer afford environmentally harmful "business as usual," as practiced in the past. New, truly greener ways must be adopted; and what better time than now, at Smith and Bybee Lakes. This glyphosate application is a pilot project, so let's just nip it in the bud before more harm is done. A truly green precedent is needed now, more than ever before. Herbicides are not the way to pilot Portland into a green, healthy and prosperous future. I hope you agree.

Sincerely,

Kevin P. O'Seellivan

Kevin O'Sullivan 7624 N. Kellogg St. Portland, OR 97203 Telephone 285-5322

Cc: Metro Council Charles Ciecko, Metro Parks and Greenspaces SBLMC SJNA



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Dan Saltzman, Commissioner 1221 S.W. 4th Avenue, Room 230 Portland, Oregon 97204 Telephone: (503) 823-4151 Fax: (503) 823-3036 Internet: dsaltzman@ci.portland.or.us

April 14, 2000

Kevin O'Sullivan 7624 N Kellogg St. Portland, OR 97203

Post-It" Fax Note 7671	Date 4/18 # of pages
To Elaine Stewart	From Sa Hzman
Phone # 797-1515	Phone # 873~414
Fax # 797-1849	Fax# 823-3036

Dear Mr. O'Sullivan,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding herbicide spraying at Smith and Bybee Lakes. The Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) is working hard to reintroduce native vegetation, and improve the bio-diversity of systems throughout the Portland region. METRO's pilot project at Smith and Bybee lakes is one tool being used to reach the goal I know we all desire. A healthy and diverse environment.

After looking into your concerns, I am confident that METRO has followed its policy on herbicide spraying, and has gone a step further by informing the St. Johns Neighborhood Association, and the Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee about the pilot project. METRO has assured me that they do not take the use of glyphosate lightly, and have chosen a type (Rodeo) that does not contain surfactants. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has approved Rodeo for use in aquatic habitats.

I want to assure you that I will continue to look closely at BES's use of herbicides and balance the need for bio-diversity with the concerns of active citizens such as yourself. Please stay in touch.

Sincerely,

Dan Saltzman DS/mg

Excerpts from the Smith & Bybee Lakes management plan relating to the committee.

#### Management of Smith-Bybee

The Management Committee to oversee the implementation of the Management Plan and to develop subsequent revisions of the Plan should be created. The Management Committee should include representation from virtually all significant parties having interest in the management area. The Management Committee should recommend assignment of or contracting with the appropriate public agencies for plan implementation. (For example, the Portland Parks Bureau could be assigned responsibilities for management of the public recreation aspect of Smith-Bybee and Metro could be assigned responsibilities for management of the environment.)

The Committee should be responsible for recommending appropriation of funds from resources dedicated to the Smith-Bybee Lakes Management Area.

The Committee should be professionally staffed to facilitate its management responsibilities.

#### **Environmental Issues**

The Smith and Bybee Lakes system, including lower Columbia Slough and the St. Johns landfill, has been the focus of numerous studies in recent years. There remain, however, critical questions concerning the present condition of the ecosystem and its basic driving forces.

Major environmental issues needing resolution are listed below; recommendations for providing needed information or actions were presented in the Projects portion of this section.

- Surface and Groundwater Quality
- Hydrology of the Columbia Slough and lakes system
- Physical mechanism for managing water levels in the lakes
- Management of storm water from developed/developing areas in the lakes' watershed
- Restoring an open connection between the lakes and Columbia Slough

#### POLICIES

The following Policies developed as part of the *Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Plan* provide the basis for implementation and management of the lakes area in a manner consistent with and supportive of the goals and objectives of the Plan. The Policies provide the basis for the specific management Actions which immediately follow.

- **Policy 1** Management of the St. Johns Landfill site shall be subject to the terms and conditions of any in-force landfill lease or ownership agreement between the City and the Metropolitan Service District (Metro), and subject to any in-force permit from the State of Oregon.
- **Policy 2** Except the St. Johns Landfill site, the City of Portland shall assign all Cityowned and/or City-managed properties within the Smith-Bybee Management Area to the Bureau of Parks and Recreation.
- Policy 3 The Plan recognizes the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife's Non-Game Management Plan and shall meet the goals and objectives of the Plan through the City's management of the Smith-Bybee area.
- **Policy 4** Metro shall establish and manage a trust fund entitled the "Smith and Bybee Lakes Trust Fund" for acquisition of land within the Smith-Bybee Lakes Management Area; and for the development, operation, and ongoing maintenance of the recreational, educational, and environmental facilities and programs proposed by the *Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Plan*.

As the agency with appropriation authority over the Smith and Bybee Lakes Trust Fund, Metro will be the Trust Fund Manager.

Money for the Trust Fund shall be made available from funds reserved for implementation of the *St. Johns Landfill End Use Plan*. The Trust Fund may be augmented by contributions and appropriations from other sources.

Interest earned by the Trust Fund's principle shall be appropriated to the Trust Fund.

The Trust Fund shall be maintained as an endowment fund to provide for the ongoing maintenance and operation of recreational, educational, and environmental facilities and programs. Appropriations from the Trust Fund may also be made for acquisition of land and for development of facilities called for by the Management Plan provided that these appropriations do not endanger the facilities and programs dependent on the endowment income. It shall be the responsibility of the Management Committee to develop and submit to the Portland City Council or the Metro Council for approval annual budgets for the Trust Fund.

**Policy 5** The Trust Fund Manager shall form a Management Committee to oversee implementation of this Plan and provide ongoing policy guidance. The Committee will include but not be limited to the following, or their representatives:

- Superintendent of Parks and Recreation
- Administrator of the Bureau of Environmental Services
- Director of the Port of Portland
- Director of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

- Executive Officer of Metro
- Metro Councilor
- President of Portland General Electric
- President of the Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes
- President of the 40 Mile Loop Land Trust
- President of the Board of the Portland Audubon Society
- A representative of other private landowners within the Management Plan boundary, if any.
- President of Peninsula Neighbors

The Management Committee is the principal advisory body to the Trust Fund Manager. A primary responsibility of the Management Committee is to develop and recommend a budget to the Trust Fund Manager for approval. Duties of the Management Committee shall include:

- review and recommend for approval acquisition of land within the Management Area;
- general oversight for development, maintenance, and operation of recreational and educational facilities within the Management Area; and
- recommendations for environmental programs within the Management Area except as provided for or required elsewhere (e.g., the *Revised Closure and Financial Assurance Plan, St. Johns Landfill*, by Oregon D.E.Q. permit, etc.).

The Trust Fund Manager will be responsible for designating the chair of the Management Committee or the process through which the chair will be determined.

- **Policy 6** The Smith and Bybee Lakes Trust Fund Manager may enter into agreement with landowners for the purpose of obtaining public recreational use of lands within the Smith-Bybee area. Such agreements are limited to a term of 5 years but may be renewed.
- **Policy 7** The Trust Fund Manager may negotiate with owners of land within the Smith-Bybee area for the purpose of acquiring such land in order to better achieve the goals and objectives of the *Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Plan*. Such negotiations shall be limited to willing sellers with every effort being made to accommodate sellers without delay. Funds reserved for the implementation of the *St. Johns Landfill End Use Plan* shall be made available to accomplish these acquisitions.

**Policy 8** The City of Portland, as authorized by the Trust Fund Manager, shall construct the projects designated in this plan which facilitate recreation access to Smith Lake and its periphery. These include a parking lot, canoe/small boat launch facilities, trails, and an interpretive center. Funds originally reserved for the construction of facilities as part of the implementation of the *St. Johns Landfill End Use Plan* shall be made available to accomplish these projects to the extent funding limitations allow.

#### Actions

Specific management actions have been identified, prioritized, and assigned with an identified funding source in order that implementation of the Management Plan might begin without delay. Actions should be considered as guidance to implementing agencies and not legally binding. Actions not identified here should be developed by the Management Committee as recommendations for approval of the Trust Fund Manager. All Policies developed and actions taken shall be consistent with the Management Plan. Many Actions will be sugject to review through the Implementation Procedures described in this Plan. Figure 5 indicates the approximate location for many of the Plan's activities and projects.

Action 1 Establishment of a "Smith and Bybee Lakes Trust Fund", which implements Policy 4. Includes appropriations consistent with the terms and conditions of any in-force agreement between the City of Portland and Metro.
Priority/Timing: Highest/Immediate.

Responsible Organization: Portland City Council and Metro Council. Funding Sources: Transfer of monies from the City of Portland Refuse

Disposal Fund are expected to be \$2,233,522 as of June 30, 1990; all subsequent payments from Metro collected as "tipping fees" (\$.40 per ton) dedicated to St. Johns Landfill End Use; and 40% of all subsequent St. Johns Landfill lease payments from Metro to the City (or an equal amount if lease payments cease) until solid waste disposal ceases at St. Johns Landfill; any interest earned on the aforementioned Trust Fund will become part of the Trust Fund; and any additional funds described in any landfill/lease or ownership agreement between the City of Portland and Metro in effect on the effective date of a Metro Ordinance adopting the *Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Plan*.

Action 2 Establish a Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee which is responsible for the overall management of the Management Area, for the execution of the Management Plan, and for the development of budgets for approval of the Trust Fund Manager which implements Policy 5. **Priority/Timing:** Very high/Immediate.

Responsible Organization: Trust Fund Manager.

Action 3 Provide staff support for the Management Committee and carry out specific actions authorized by the Trust Fund Manger through this Management Plan. Cost Estimate: \$55,000/year.

Priority/Timing: Very high/Immediate.

Responsible Organization: City of Portland Bureau of Parks or Metro as determined by the Trust Fund Manager

Funding Source: Smith and Bybee Lakes Trust Fund.

Action 4 Acquisition of property from willing sellers, which implements Policy 7. Property to be acquired includes all parcels which are needed for public recreational use.

Estimated Cost: \$250,000 to \$500,000.

Priority/Timing: Very High/Immediate.

Responsible Organization: City of Portland Bureau of Parks or Metro as determined by the Trust Fund Manager.

Funding Source: Smith and Bybee Lakes Trust Fund.

#### **GOAL STATEMENT AND OBJECTIVES**

#### **Goal Statement**

The goal of the Management Plan is to protect and manage the Smith and Bybee Lakes area as an environmental and recreational resource for the Portland region. The lakes will be preserved as historical remnants of the Columbia River riparian and wetlands system. They will be maintained and enhanced, to the extent possible, in a manner that is faithful to their original natural condition. Only those recreational uses that are compatible with environmental objectives of the Management Plan will be encouraged. Smith Lake and adjacent uplands will be the principal location for recreational activities. Bybee Lake will be less accessible. Its primary use will be as an environmental preserve.

#### Objectives

- 1 Control water level in order to manage the lakes' environmental system.
- 2 Provide for and maintain habitat diversity representative of lower Columbia River floodplain wetlands.
- 3 Maintain and enhance water quality in the lakes.
- 4 Implement a monitoring program to assure early detection of potential environmental problems, and to quantify management programs.
- 5 Provide access to Smith and Bybee Lakes which supports appropriate types and levels of recreation.
- 6 Encourage appropriate types and levels of recreational activities which are compatible with environmental objectives.
- 7 Incorporate Smith and Bybee Lakes into the Metropolitan Wildlife System Project, Metro's Regional Natural Areas Program, and the 40 Mile Loop recreation trail system.
- 8 Develop upland areas in a manner which is compatible with the preservation of the wetlands and use of the lakes for passive recreation.
- 9 Provide opportunities for wetland and environmental system research and education.
- 10 Develop appropriate funding strategies to implement environmental and recreational improvement projects.
- 11 Provide opportunities for compensation to private land owners for public use of their property.
- 12 Provide an organizational structure to manage all lakes areas property as a single management unit to ensure consistent implementation of the Management Plan.
- 13 Integrate management of the lakes with management of the St. Johns Landfill property when landfilling activities are terminated.

# Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee

Membership as of April 25, 2000

## Management plan-mandated positions

Portland Parks and Recreation Portland Bureau of Environmental Serv. Port of Portland Oregon Dept. Fish and Wildlife Metro Executive Office Metro Council Portland General Electric Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes 40 Mile Loop Land Trust Portland Audubon Society Private landowner Peninsula Neighbors (now North

Portland Neighborhoods)

## Additional positions

St. Johns Neighborhood Assn.

Staff

Wildlife Area Manager Recorder Current representative Jim Sjulin Nancy Hendrickson (chair) Gerry Meyer Holly Michael Jim Morgan vacant no longer participates Peter Teneau Pam Arden Troy Clark Bill Briggs Lance Bailey

Kevin O'Sullivan

Elaine Stewart Patricia Sullivan

# Management Committee membership

<b>Organization</b> Portland Parks & Rec.	Representative Jim Sjulin	<b>Timeline</b> 1995-
Portland BES	David Kliewer Mary Abrams Nancy Hendrickson	1991 - 1995- 1996-
Port of Portland	Brian Campbell Tim Van Wormer Susan Oman Gerry Meyer	1991 - 1995-1997 1998-1999 1999-
ODFW	Joe Pesek Holly Michael	1991 - 1997 1998-
Metro Executive Officer	Pat Lee Jim Morgan	1991- 1996-
Metro Councilor	Ruth McFarland Sandi Hansen Ed Washington	1991 1992 1995?
PGE	Ron Klein	1991 -
Friends of Smith-Bybee	Mikey Jones Troy Clark Jeff Kee Frank Opila Peter Teneau	1991 - 1995 1996 1997-1998 1999-
40 Mile Loop Land Trust	Jennifer Devlin? <b>Pam Arden</b>	1999-
Portland Audubon Society	Linda Robinson or Jennifer D Eve Vogel Troy Clark	1991 - 1995 1997-
Private landowner	Ted Smith Gerald Wright	1991 - 1996-
Peninsula Neighbors (dissolved) North Portland Neighborhoods	Josephine (Josey) Cooper Lance Bailey	1991 - 1999-
St. Johns NA*	Kevin O'Sullivan	1999-
Staff**	Jim Morgan Emily Roth Elaine Stewart	1991 - 1996 1996-1999 2000-

\*This position not mandated by management plan; added by Metro Council.

\*\*Committee staff do not vote.

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## Public Meeting Law

Provide at least 24-hour notice to all interested parties (allow 10 days) Someone must take minutes Meetings must be in a public place (non-smoking) All votes must be recorded

## Dam Removal

(aka replace water control structure)

**Question:** Does the management committee want to reconsider the Technical Advisory Committee recommendation, and the management committee decisions of April and May 1996, to replace the dam and restore the historic hydrology at Smith and Bybee lakes?

#### Tasks:

- 1. Review any new information that may be available and determine whether it contra-indicates the previous recommendation and decision.
- 2. Recommend whether to uphold or modify the current management direction.
- 3. Present a report to the July management committee meeting. (Time is of the essence to avoid late summer conflicts, to have a recommendation for the Metro Council, and to proceed on design, engineering and permits if the committee retains its decision.)

## Herbicide use

**Question:** Does the management committee want to recommend guidelines for Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area that are different from Metro's Integrated Pest Management Plan?

#### Tasks:

- 1. Review the Parks and Regional Environmental Management departments' chapters and other relevant material in the IPM.
- 2. If changes are recommended, identify how the alternative approach would accomplish plan objectives.
- 3. Present a report and any recommendations to the management committee in August.

## Model airplane development on landfill site

**Question:** Does the management committee have a recommendation regarding the location of a model airplane facility at Smith and Bybee Lakes Wildlife Area?

#### Tasks:

- 1. Review St. Johns Landfill End Use Plan, Natural Resources Management Plan for Smith and Bybee Lakes, and Recreational Facilities Plan.
- 2. Consider new information.
- 3. Interpret the plans and develop a recommendation for use and operations; include any limitations on use, monitoring requirements, corrective measures to problems experienced, and integration with long-term plans for the landfill area.
- 4. Present a report to the management committee in October.