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## West Clinton Interpretive Signs Final Report Portland Parks & Recreation

In 1993, Portland Parks and Recreation requested \$ 8,000 from Metro from the Environmental Education Grant Program. The agency's was awarded \$2,500, to be used for the design and development of interpretive signs at the West Clinton Community Garden & Backyard Wildlife Habitat Demonstration Area. This was matched by \$ 2,500 from the Portland Parks Trust Fund. All of the funds were used for the design, construction, and installation of the signs. The signs have been installed and plans are being developed for educational programs at the site.

### *Sign Design & Installation*

The signs were designed by Martha Gannett Graphic Design, a local graphic design office. Ms. Gannett was responsible for project coordination, working with David Yamashita of Portland Parks. Construction and installation of the sign "holders" was contracted to Columbia Fence, which installed the fence that surrounds the garden.

The signs are about 2' wide by 3' high and are PMTs that have been laminated with a thick layer of plastic on both sides. The choice of materials was based on the need to provide an easily replaceable sign (in the event of vandalism or theft), a sign that could be changed with new text, and a sign that was inexpensive to produce. The signs are hand-painted with photographic dyes.

### *Involvement with Hosford Middle School*

As part of the overall educational effort, students from Hosford Middle School were recruited to help plant several flats of flowers at the garden. The students worked with a teacher, Ms. Carol Pinnegar, who coordinated the project with David Yamashita.

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