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Citizen Participation Organization #4K

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To review the Bull Mountain Community Plan (see Southern Lowlands area for CPO 4K), go to:

<http://www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/planning/publicat.htm>

Citizen Participation Organization 4K

Thursday, June 11, 2009, 10:00am

Please note different date, time and location!

Al's Garden Center

16920 SW Roy Rogers Rd, Sherwood

Garden Visit and Tour

Join in the fun for a guided tour of Al's Garden Center! We've asked Al's to show us some of their large selection of annuals and a selection of perennials, shrubs, and ground covers. They will be pointing out plants which grow well in the shade and those which are resistant to deer, topics of interest to our CPO members. Along the tour, you'll also hear about some new plant varieties. There will be a demonstration of a raised bed vegetable garden and tips for growing great vegetables. The tour will begin in the front lobby of Al's Sherwood store and will last approximately 45 minutes.



Oregon Zoo Concerts A-Go!

What do baby Samudra, summer weather and the B-52s have in common? They're all part of the Oregon Zoo's 31st annual summer concert series presented by NW Natural.

This year's zoo concert series promises to be an exhilarating experience with 18 shows from June through August. It is the longest-running outdoor concert series in the Pacific Northwest and one of the most anticipated events of the summer.

New this year is a showcase of local bands to take place Wednesday, July 8. Concert fans are asked to weigh in on which local bands they'd like to see perform that night. Voting for the showcase takes place through May 31 on the zoo's Web site.



The zoo concert series is presented by NW Natural with support from KINK.fm and KOIN Local 6. Tickets may be purchased at www.ticketmaster.com and at the zoo.

Funds raised during the concert series support several conservation projects, including the protection of threatened and endangered Northwest species.

General admission is \$9.75 (12-64), seniors \$8.25 (65+), children \$6.75 (3-11), and infants 2 and under are free; 25 cents of the admission price helps fund regional conservation projects through the zoo's Future for Wildlife program. A parking fee of \$2 per car is also required. Additional information and the concert schedule is available at www.oregonzoo.org or by calling 503-226-1561.

2009 Washington County Summer Food Program

FREE Meals~! NO Registration! NO Applications! Just Show Up

For kids and teens 18 and under

For more information visit online: www.summerfoodoregon.com

Or call 1-800-723-3638



Chehalem Elementary School, 15555 SW Davis Rd

Monday-Thursday, June 17-August 14

Lunch 11:00-12:00

Greenway Elementary School, 9150 SW Downing Dr

Monday-Thursday, June 17-August 14

Breakfast: 8:00-9:00, Lunch 11:30-12:30

Bonita Villa Apartments, 7520 SW Bonita Rd

Monday-Thursday, June 17-August 14

Lunch: 11:30-12:30

Colonies Apartments, 14220 SW 112th Ave

Monday-Thursday, June 17- August 14

Lunch 11:30-12:30

Green burg Oaks Apts, 11905 SW 91st Ave

Monday-Friday, June 17-August 14

Breakfast: 9:15-9:45, Lunch: 12:15-1:00

Olsen Woods Apts, 9105 SW 91st Ave

Monday-Thursday, June 17-August 14

Lunch: 11:00-11:30

New WCCCF Website

The Washington County Commission on Children and Families (WCCCF) has a NEW website! The site is designed to improve your ability to find important services and information. Our look, feel and navigation have all being re-worked with this overriding goal in mind.

The NEW website project is not simply a change in how the website looks. It is a complete redesign from the colors used on the site, to the software running it, to the organization. Some of the things you can find there include our mission and history, resources for families, resources for providers, a parenting class calendar, and much more. Please stop by to check us out: <http://www.co.washington.or.us/hhs/ccf>

Ride Connection Announces New Partnership with ACS

Ride Connection is pleased to announce a new partnership with the American Cancer Society (ACS); together we will provide transportation to and from cancer treatment through the *Road to Recovery* program. The ACS is a nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

The *Road to Recovery* program is new to the Portland area and serves people with cancer in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties. It is estimated that more than 19,000 residents in Oregon will learn they have cancer this year. "It is not unusual for cancer patients to need radiation therapy every weekday for six to seven weeks," said Gretchen Renggli, Portland Metro Market Quality Life Manager for the ACS. "In many cases, a patient is driven to hospitals and clinics by relatives or friends, but even these patients must occasionally seek alternative transportation."

This new partnership will benefit cancer patients as well as other customers seeking transportation from Ride Connection service partners. Most service partners in the Ride Connection network already provide transportation to cancer treatment. By shifting some of the cancer-related rides to new ACS volunteers, capacity will be freed up to provide trips for other purposes like shopping and nutrition; rides that might otherwise have been turned down.

Ride requests for the *Road to Recovery* program are coordinated and scheduled through the Ride Connection Service Center and the rides are provided by volunteer drivers. For more information about Road to Recovery, or to become a volunteer driver, call your local ACS office at 503-795-3906 or toll free at 1-800-227-2345 or email Gretchen .renggli@cancer.org

Thin Now for Higher Quality Tree Fruits

A bumper crop of fruit may be more than your apple or pear tree is meant to bear. To get larger, higher quality apples and pears, remove immature fruit in late May or early June.



Anita Azarenko, a professor in the Department of Horticulture at Oregon State University, advises thinning fruit in late spring to avoid a heavy fruit load that can break branches later on.

"Thinning also can prevent apples from becoming a 'biennial-bearing' crop, a pattern that occurs when the apple tree produces a heavy crop one year and little-to-no crop the next year," explained Azarenko. Peaches and plums also benefit from thinning.

Many tree fruits naturally shed small, cherry-sized fruit in late spring. But this natural thinning may not be enough. For larger and higher quality fruit, more young fruit may need to be removed by hand.

Remove the smaller fruits and those damaged by disease or insects in each cluster, recommends Azarenko. Thin apples and pears to one fruit per cluster and space the clusters six to eight inches apart, three to five weeks after full bloom. Space peaches six to 10 inches apart, depending on the number of fruits set.

More information about maintaining home orchards is available in the OSU Extension Service publication, "Growing Tree Fruits and Nuts in the Home Orchard," (EC 819) which can be downloaded from <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/ec/ec819.pdf>



Washington County Master Gardeners Tour

This self-guided tour, with a focus on sustainable gardening practices for edibles and ornamentals, features five private gardens, a community garden, and a school garden. There will be special emphasis on home food growing. OSU master gardeners will be on hand to answer your questions.

When: 10AM-4PM. Saturday, June 27th

Cost: Free admission. Brochures available at Farmington Gardens, Dennis' Seven Dees Beaverton, Al's Garden Center Sherwood, Bethany Nursery, Cornell Farm, Western Sun Nursery, Backyard Bird Shop, and area farmers markets.

Details and Directions: <http://www.wcmga.info/> (click on "events" link) or 503-821-1150.

Washington County Candidate Urban Reserves Area Shrinks from 107,000 acres to 46,000 Acres

<http://www.co.washington.or.us/reserves/>

The Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee (RCC), at their May 11 meeting, agreed to reduce the candidate urban reserve area in Washington County.

Based on several factors including cities aspirations, business community input, GIS suitability analysis and staff-derived estimated lands needs* through 2060, the RCC decided the 107,000 acres in the candidate area was beyond the scope of what areas should be studied in greater detail. Their decision scaled back the candidate urban reserves to approximately 46,000 acres within which some of the lands may eventually be recommended for urban reserves.

(* The initial estimated land needs presented to the RCC in May contained errors which staff immediately addressed. The corrected numbers will be presented back to the RCC in June. The anticipated outcome is that the corrected numbers will not affect the RCCs' decision to reduce the urban study area.)

The candidate areas will undergo more intensive study throughout the spring and summer to arrive at recommendations for urban or rural reserves. Those recommendations will again be brought back to the public for review and comment.

The Core 4 and the regional Reserves Steering Committee agreed to extend the timeline in this current phase. The extension provides more opportunity of community outreach and analysis of the candidate areas. RCC recommendations for urban and rural reserves are now anticipated in August and inter-government agreements in December.

The RCC will return to addressing Candidate Rural Reserves in upcoming meetings including discussions of how to utilize a variety of attributes to aid in the analysis and decision-making.

Metro has released a number of documents in the last several weeks to assist discussions of potential growth and the impacts on both residential development and employment. The reports can be accessed at: www.oregonmetro.gov

1. 2005 – 2030 Regional Population and Employment Forecast
http://www.oregonmetro.gov/files/maps/2060_forecast_summary-public_review_draft_2corrected.pdf
2. 2009 – 2030 Preliminary Urban Growth Report Executive Summary – Residential and Full 2009 – 2030 Preliminary Urban Growth Report - Residential
http://www.oregonmetro.gov/files/planning/09111_execsumm_3-30-09.pdf
3. 2009 – 2030 Preliminary Urban Growth Report Executive Summary – Employment
http://www.oregonmetro.gov/files/planning/ugr_employment_executivesummary_web
4. Full 2009 – 2030 Preliminary Urban Growth Report- Employment:
http://www.oregonmetro.gov/files/planning/ugr_employment_web.pdf

Appendixes:

1. Employment Demand Factors and Trends (187 pages):
http://www.oregonmetro.gov/files/planning/ugr_employment_appendix1.pdf
2. Metroscope Scenario Assumptions (10 pages):
http://www.oregonmetro.gov/files/planning/ugr_employment_appendix2.pdf

Upcoming Events to attend:

The following meetings focus on defining and creating Urban and Rural Reserves:

Washington County Reserves Coordinating Committee, **Monday, June 8th and July 6th**, 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m., Beaverton Library, Conference Rooms A&B

Reserves Steering Committee, **Wednesday, June 10th and July 8th**, 9 a.m. – noon, Metro - Council Chambers
<http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=2625>

Washington County - Urbanization Forum: No meeting dates are currently set. Please check back or go to the Urbanization Forum website for updates. <http://urbanizationforum.com/>

The World is Run by Those Who Show Up

You may have been wondering how your CPO is really representing the interests of your community. Your volunteer CPO Leaders want you to know that when a motion is made at a CPO meeting to send a letter conveying a position on an issue that has been discussed, that letter or communication will include the number of CPO members in attendance and the number voting for and against or abstaining from voting. The letter or testimony will reflect only the position of those who show up. It will not reflect upon the entire membership of the CPO.

In addition, all CPO meetings are open to the public so there may be participants who are not CPO members and do not reside, own property, or own/operate a business within the CPO boundaries. CPO volunteer leaders will generally ask for a vote of the members but also record a separate vote of non-members in order to convey a clear picture to elected and public officials of the positions taken by all participants at a CPO meeting.

Your CPO volunteer leaders strive to convey your advisory recommendations with professional accuracy. Thank you for attending CPO meetings and please take time to thank your CPO volunteers for keeping the organization active so that you may show up!

Linda Gray, CPO Coordinator

Public Affairs Forum Topics for June 2009

June 8, 2009

Continue handing out and collecting ballots.

Topic #1: Washington County's New Vineyard and Valley Scenic Tour Route.

Speaker: Ruthie Reinert, President, Washington County Visitor's Association

Topic #2: Law Enforcement in Beaverton.

Speaker: New Police Chief David Spalding.



June 15, 2009

Annual Meeting, honor Past Presidents, Election results.

Topic: Bringing the USS Ranger to Portland.

Speaker: Tim Myers, Executive Director of the USS Ranger Foundation.

Time: Mondays 11:15 am - 1 pm except on major holidays.

Location: Beaverton Elks Club, 3500 SW 104th Ave, Beaverton. 503-646-6116 (North of Canyon Rd. Enter through back of building)

For last minute updates and additional information about the forum, visit: www.washingtoncountyforum.org



Now Open: Emergency Food Pantry

A new resource has opened in Tigard which provides emergency food supplies to residents in Tigard and Tualatin. As an agent of the Oregon Food Bank, the Tigard Covenant Church food bank is open every Tuesday & Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

In addition to the Emergency Food Pantry, they offer those in need a free community dinner from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month until October, with dates in November and December to be decided later in the year.

Individuals and/or entire families are welcome to enjoy a hot, hearty meal complete with dessert at no cost. Tigard Covenant Church is located just north of the King City Safeway store at 11321 SW Naeve St. at Pacific Hwy (99W) in Tigard.

If you have questions, contact Barb Woolverton at 503-639-3084.

County Seeks Candidates for Urban Road Maintenance District Advisory Committee

The Urban Road Maintenance District Advisory Committee (URMDAC) will advise the board and staff on matters related to road maintenance provided by the URMD. They will review and make recommendations regarding service levels and annual work programs, assist in evaluating the cost effectiveness and efficiency of URMD, and advise on continuation of URMD and/or other long-range funding opportunities for road maintenance.

The URMDAC will be comprised of ten (10) residents of the Urban Road Maintenance District appointed by the Board. Two (2) alternate members will also be appointed. This urban roads advisory committee will be similar in function to the longstanding Rural Roads Operations and Maintenance Advisory Committee (RROMAC).

The application deadline is **June 8, 2009** or when all vacancies are filled. Applications may be obtained by visiting the website or by calling (503) 846-8685. Descriptions of all the boards can also be found on the [Boards and Commissions](#) website.

Boards, committees, and commissions advise the Board of Commissioners on matters of interest to people who live and work in Washington County. Committees themselves do not pass ordinances or establish policy; their purpose is to study issues and make recommendations. Commission members are volunteers appointed by the County Board of Commissioners. Members must be residents of Washington County. Serving on an appointed board or commission is a great way for Washington County residents to participate in decisions that affect them and to learn more about how local government works.

Contact: Victoria Saager , Public Information Officer, (503) 846-7616, Victoria_Saager@co.washington.or.us

County Boards Seek Candidates for AAC and Developmental Disabilities Council

Accessibility Advisory Council (AAC)

Description: The personal experience of volunteers helps to ensure equal access to County facilities and services for persons with disabilities. Members of the Accessibility Committee help promote awareness of the needs and concerns of persons with disabilities, review County policies and procedures regarding accessibility, and act as a resource to the Board and staff.

Membership: 9

Length of Term: 2 years

Developmental Disabilities Council

Description: The Council functions in an advisory capacity to the Department of Health and Human Services and the Board of Commissioners on program development, planning, monitoring and funding issues.

Membership: Comprised of fifteen members including recipients of service, advocates, and professionals in the field, key referral sources, provider representatives, and lay citizens. Members are residents of the county or have work interests in the county.

Time Commitment: 2-3 hours per month

Term Length: 3 years

The application deadline is **July 7, 2009** or when all vacancies are filled. Applications may be obtained by visiting the website or by calling (503) 846-8685. Descriptions of all the boards can also be found on the [Boards and Commissions](#) web site.

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Contact: Marian Larkin , Sr. Administrative Specialist, (503) 846-8685, marian_larkin@co.washington.or.us

Choose to Reuse...and Get Rewarded!

Turn over a new leaf this Spring and pledge to reduce your waste by eliminating the use of plastic shopping bags. We can help you take the first step!

Log on to www.RecycleWise.org and select the “Waste Prevention” button. Here you’ll learn ways to reduce your waste and make a “pledge” to use durable bags for shopping, collecting recyclables, or whenever you need one! Quantities are limited (one per address), so take the pledge and get rewarded for your efforts!



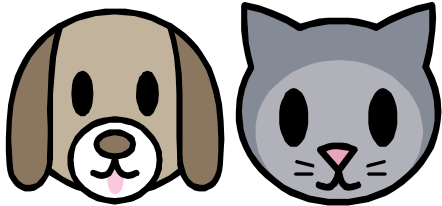
Block Styrofoam = Building Materials!

Have you heard the news? Block Styrofoam packaging (think packaging for electronics) can now be collected and recycled in Portland! In the past there have been few recycling options for block foam and many have sent it out with their garbage. Now **Pacific Land Clearing** and **Total Reclaim** have made the significant investment in equipment to be able to recycle the foam material into building materials!

So instead of stuffing your trash can with the material, take it to these locations! To learn about hours, location, and the other materials accepted, contact these companies directly.

Pacific Land Clearing, 4044 N. Suttle Rd., Portland, OR 97217 <http://www.plcrecycling.com/>

Total Reclaim, 5805 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97218, www.totalreclaim.com/oregon.html



Do you have an emergency plan for your pets?

Your home is not only a safe haven for your family, but also for your pets. When disaster strikes, people often have no other option than to leave their homes. Depending on the severity of the disaster, you may be away from your home for a few hours or a few months. So what happens to the furry, four-legged members of your family? Here are some tips to help you prepare:

- Take time now to identify potential shelter sites or other safe havens where your pet could be housed temporarily. Many emergency shelters do not allow pets.
- Make sure your pet wears a tag with up-to-date information. Your pet’s ID tag should contain his name, owner contact information, and any urgent medical conditions. Other ID items include license and vaccination tags, or microchip IDs.
- Prepare a pet evacuation kit containing a pet carrier, collar, leash, harness, bedding, food/water dishes, medications, toys, pet first aid kit, and at least a three-day supply of food and water.
- It’s always preferable to take your pet with you in an emergency, but if you must leave your pet behind:
 - Put him in a secure area in your home.
 - Leave him at least 10 days of dry food and several water dishes.
 - Place signs on doors and windows describing the type and number of pets inside and providing owner contact information.
- Be prepared to describe your pet; having a photo of your pet can be especially helpful in reuniting pets and their owners.

BROTHER, CAN YOU SPARE...A NEWSLETTER?

The CPO program coordinators are looking at ways to reduce printing and postage costs and to make the program more sustainable. To do that we need your help by signing up to receive the newsletter electronically. We call this the *CPO NewsAlert*.

It’s simple, just send an email to Sally Yackley cpo.wash.co@oregonstate.edu with your name, street address, zipcode and email address to make the necessary changes. You will receive an email with a link to the CPO website with your current newsletter. Thank you for helping out!





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2009 Food Preservation Classes

All classes 6:30 – 8:30 pm at OSU Extension Service- Washington County, 18640 NW Walker Road, Entrance D-1, (CAPITAL Center, at the corner of 185th and Walker Roads), Beaverton, OR, 97006
Class size limited to allow some hand-on involvement. Pre-registration required. Contact OSU Extension Service at 503-821-1150. Cost is \$15.00 per class, \$50.00 if all 4 classes are taken.



Jams and Jellies: Wednesday, June 24, 2009.

This is where to start. Basic information on equipment and processing included. This class will include low sugar and freezer jam options.

Fruits and Pie Fillings: Thursday, July 23, 2009.

Hot pack versus raw, learn to control the amount of sugar and to can fruit in juice. Recipes for pie fillings included.

Vegetables and meats: Thursday, August 13, 2009.

A pressure canner is necessary for canning all low acid foods such as vegetables and meats, Soups and stews can be prepared for winter use.

Tomatoes and tomato products: Tuesday, September 1, 2009.

Preserve your crop of tomatoes for year-round enjoyment. Try salsa and sauce recipes. Green tomato use tested.

For more food preservation resources see: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/> or call Jeanne Brandt, Extension Family and Community Health, 503 -821-1117.