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Oregon State University Extension Service supports CPOs through an intergovernmental agreement with Washington County, the sole funder of the CPO program. Extension CPO coordinators provide information on land use and livability issues, resource referrals, and work with CPO members to increase understanding of public policy and decision-making processes.

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To review copies of the Rural/Natural Resources Plan Element, go to

www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/planning/publicat.htm

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No CPO 8 meeting in August 2009

Washington County Seeks Public Input on Urban and Rural Reserve Draft Recommendations

A public hearing is scheduled for **Thursday, August 20, 2009, 4:00-8:00PM** in the Hillsboro Civic Center, 150 East Main St., Hillsboro. Testimony will begin at 5:00PM.

The hearing offers you an opportunity to provide official testimony on proposed urban and rural reserve areas within Washington County. You will also have the opportunity to provide written comments and testimony. All input will be included in the public record for the urban and rural reserves project. If you plan to provide oral or written testimony, please reference the "factors" that are available on our website at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/breaking-news>. If you would like a copy of the factors and don't have access to a computer, please call 503-821-1128.

Urban reserves will identify areas outside the existing Urban Growth Boundary where future growth could be accommodated over the next 40-50 years. Rural reserves will be areas protected from urbanization during the same time frame.

The public hearing will also include an informational open house where you can learn more about the project background and how the current reserves recommendations were identified. More information and comment opportunities are on the project website at www.co.washington.or.us/reserves.

Please plan to attend and invite your neighbors and others interested in helping shape the future of Washington County.

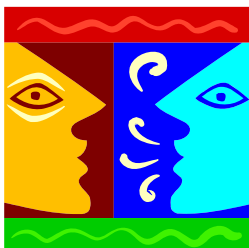
LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Casefile	Applicant/location	Proposed action	Status
09-081 Type II AF5	Trade West Brokerage Co. 12311 NW Jackson Quarry Rd.	Request for renewal of a home occupation permit for Tradewest Brokerage Co.	Approved.
09-083 Type II EFU	John and Florence Herinckx NW Herinckx Rd.	Renewal of a temporary health hardship permit.	Approved.
09-102 Type II EFC	Stephen & Rachael Mason 35971 NW Three Cedars Lane	Accessory structure in the EFC district.	Approved.
09-106 Type II AF20	Paul Kunkel 14440 NW Mason Hill Rd.	Minor revision to casefile 07-283-P/37CL0315	Approved.
09-126 Type II EFU	Varchan Environmental 4095 NW Susbauer	Renewal of a home occupation permit in the EFU.	Approved.
09-136 Type II EFC	Jane Horning 21277 & 20520 NW Brunswick, Canyon Rd.	Extension of casefile 06-575-SU/D/37CL0176 (special approval of the expansion and alteration of an existing private park and campground.	Application received. Public comment period 6/30/09-7/14/09.
09-169 Type II RIND	North Plains Industrial NW Milne Rd	Preliminary plat approval for a six-lot subdivision. "North Plains Industrial Park Subdivision," in the rural industrial district.	Application received. Public comment period 7/21/09-8/4/09.
09-196 Type II EFC	David L. Trust Stanley 17601 NW Dixie Mountain Rd.	Modification of conditions of approval of casefile 05-241-DEFC.	Application received. Awaiting public notice.
09-235 Type II EFC	Jerry & Don Tankersley 18630 NW Pumpkin Ridge Rd.	P/49CL0426-preliminary review of a 2-lot partition pursuant to measure 49/37CL0426.	Application received. Awaiting public notice.

Type II land use applications have a 14 day public comment period. No public hearing is held unless decision is appealed. All Type III land use hearings are held at the Charles D. Cameron Public Services Building.

Mailing Address: Washington Co. DLUT, 155 N. First Ave Hillsboro, OR 97124.

<http://washtech.co.washington.or.us/LDS/index.cfm?id=4> Tel: 503-846-8761 Fax: 503-846-2908.



CPO Email News and Discussion Group

CPOTalk, an email news and discussion group for CPO members, focuses on land-use and livability issues in Washington County. Sign up to receive the latest information on land use and livability in Washington County. Regular postings include articles from local newspapers, state legislative updates, and local/regional/state reports relating to land use and livability.

To sign up for *CPOTalk*, send an email to cpo.wash.co@oregonstate.edu with your name, street address, zipcode and email address. We'll do the rest!

To keep email messages to a minimum, you can elect to receive messages in digest form (one email a day with all messages received within a 24-hour period). For more information, contact Patt Opdyke, CPO Coordinator, 503-821-1124 or patt.opdyke@oregonstate.edu.

Measure 49 Notices of Preliminary Evaluation

The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) has issued Notices of Preliminary Evaluation for the following Measure 49 claims in the CPO8 area. The Preliminary Evaluation for each of these claims can be accessed at the DLCD Measure 49 website: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/MEASURE49/index.shtml> Comments must be submitted to DLCD within 28 days of the Date of Notice.

Date of Notice	Claim Number	Claimant	Site Address	Approval would allow:
7/6/2009	E118411A	Radah Ralston Henry and Dana McCullough	South of NW Scotch Church Road, west of NW Jackson School Road (1N2190000800)	2 additional lots 3 dwellings
7/6//2009	E118411B	John and Radah Bentson Radah Ralston	South of NW Scotch Church Road, west of NW Jackson School Road (1N2180001702)	1 dwelling
7/8/2009	E118410A	John and Radah Bentson	5375 NW Jackson School Road (1N3240000194)	Appears to be ineligible for any relief
7/8/2009	E118410B	John and Radah Bentson	South of NW Scotch Church Road, west of NW Jackson School Road (1N3240000191)	Appears to be ineligible for any relief

Fall Master Recycler Program – Registration Now Open!

Registration for the Fall 2009 Washington County class is now open through August 11th at 5:00 pm. This popular volunteer program (30 spots) fills up quickly. Master Recyclers support communities by delivering presentations to clubs, groups, and other organizations about recycling, waste prevention, and more!



The popular eight-week course includes two field trips and instruction in topics such as waste prevention, recycling processes, alternatives to hazardous household products, green building and composting.

Participants agree to attend all class evenings and field trips. After completing the course, graduates put their skills to work to help others learn the three Rs: Reduce the amount of solid waste generated; Reuse material for the purpose for which it was intended; and Recycle material that cannot be reused. Master Recyclers volunteer to staff information booths at community events, provide presentations and work on special projects. Participants agree to volunteer at least 30 hours after completing the course.

Attendance at all classes and tours and an agreement to complete the 30 educational outreach volunteer hours is required to be considered for the Master Recycler Certification.

Dates: Wednesdays (September 9 through October 28) 6:30 pm -9:30 pm **PLUS** Saturday September 19 and October 18 from 8:00am-2:00pm. Attendance is required all 10 dates. Please do not register if you have a conflict with one of the dates.

Location: Hillsboro Civic Center 150 E Main St., Hillsboro

Cost: \$50. Visa, MasterCard, or check made out to the City of Portland. 3 scholarships are available

Registration: Registration closes Wednesday, August 11, 2009 at 5:00pm. Once registration closes, applications will be selected by a weighted lottery. All applicants will be notified as to whether they are in the class. If at the time you are selected for the program, you will receive instructions on payment. Please only register if you plan to attend every class and complete the 30 hour volunteer payback commitment.

Please visit www.masterrecycler.org for details and registration.



Woodland Owners: Ready, Set, Go! With the Resource Management Planning Shortcourse

A practical, step-by-step, hands-on, guided process

Join us for this series of classes to learn about forest resource inventory techniques, management plan development, and how a plan can help you make sound decisions about your woodland. This series is specifically designed for family woodland owners, and you can leave the last session with a forest management plan that you have developed for your property! Having a written forest management plan is the gateway to many opportunities – such as access to green certification and cost-share programs – and is an important tool for communicating your objectives with professionals and with family members.

Primary instructor: Amy Grotta, OSU Extension Forester, Columbia & Washington Counties With assistance from OSU Master Woodland Managers

Dates/Times: Wednesdays, 6:30 – 9:00 pm: Oct. 7th, 21st, Nov. 4th, 18th, Dec. 2nd, 16th, 2009. Field Day: Saturday, Oct. 24th, 9 am – 4 pm

Course Location: Washington County Extension Office, 18640 NW Walker Rd, Beaverton

Course Fee: \$50 per family covers all materials and map sets for your property. Washington County Small Woodlands Association members receive a 50% discount.

Registration Deadline: Friday, September 25th, 2009. To register, contact Amy Grotta, (503) 397-3462 or amy.grotta@oregonstate.edu. Send registration fee to Columbia County Extension Service, c/o Vicki Krenz, 505 N. Columbia River Hwy, St. Helens, OR 97051.

- **Session 1 (10/7):** Introduction, Plan Structure, Setting Goals and Objectives
- **Session 2 (10/21):** Mapping Your Property
- **Field Day (10/24):** Inventory Techniques
- **Session 3 (11/4):** Assessing Water Resources, Riparian Areas, and Roads; Forest Practice Considerations
- **Session 4 (11/18):** Assessing Wildlife Habitat
- **Session 5 (12/2):** Cultural and Aesthetic Resources, Business and Legal Considerations, Developing an Action Plan
- **Session 6 (12/16):** Putting Your Plan to Work, Graduation

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!



Sharing the Road with Farm Equipment

Over half of the 1,271 miles of roads maintained by Washington County's Department of Land Use and Transportation are in a rural setting. Scenic two-lane roads wind through farms, forests, nurseries and vineyards. Due to population growth, more high-speed traffic now travels on roads not designed for that kind of traffic.

Motorists traveling Washington County's rural roads may find themselves sharing the road with large, slow-moving farm equipment. Not recognizing slow moving vehicles, or simply not being aware of them until it is too late, is a leading cause of collisions.



How can you recognize farm vehicles? According to the Oregon Drivers Manual, farm machinery and equipment that travels at 25 mph or less must display a slow-moving vehicle emblem on the rear when traveling on public roads. As a motorist, you must be prepared to slow down when you see this triangular sign with a red reflectorized border and a fluorescent orange-red center. Some farm vehicles may also display flashing yellow lights.

They're so big and slow, how could you possibly rear-end a farm vehicle? Consider this: A car traveling 55 mph requires about 224 feet to stop on dry pavement, assuming average reaction time and braking. A car traveling 55 mph can close a 300-foot gap (the length of a football field) and overtake a tractor moving at 15 mph in about five seconds. If you do not begin to slow as soon as you see a farm vehicle, you might not have time to avoid a collision.

The most common accident occurs when a slow-moving farm vehicle is turning left. Although a tractor may appear to be stopping beside the road or turning right, it might actually be turning left. The farmer is swinging wide to line up with a gate or driveway; the driver behind the farmer may think the farmer is pulling over to let the driver pass. Look for gates, driveways or access roads on the left side of the road that may indicate a left turn.

How and when is it safe to pass farm equipment? It is illegal and very dangerous to pass farm equipment in a no passing zone. Pass only when the road ahead is clear and there is either a dashed yellow line on your side of the road or a dashed white line. And when passing, be extra cautious. Tractors and other farm equipment may be wider than they look from behind and may require ample space in both lanes.

ODOT's Crash Analysis and Reporting Unit reports that in the five-year period from 2003 through 2007, Oregon experienced 151 crashes involving farm equipment; 112 people were injured and 10 people died. Eight of those crashes and one death occurred on Washington County's roads. Almost two-thirds of Washington County's crashes were rear-end crashes or crashes during turning movements. Most crashes took place on a weekday, during the day, on dry pavement. The most frequent day of the week for crashes involving farm equipment in Washington County was Wednesday.



The keys to safety when sharing the road with farm equipment are **caution and patience**. A farmer understands that your trip is being delayed, so he or she will pull off the road at the first available safe location to allow you to pass.

For more information, see the Oregon Farm Bureau's publication *Rural Road Safety* online at http://www.oregonfb.org/images/pdf/Road_Safety.pdf.

Washington County is committed to building and maintaining the best transportation system, ensuring the safety of all roadway users, and to operating the county roadway system in a cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner.

Join the CPO 8 Google Group

The CPO 8 Google Group is an online discussion group on issues of interest in our area. Postings to the group have included updates on land development activity and the reserves planning process, minutes of CPO8 monthly meetings, and notices of area events. If you would like to join, please contact Susie Anthony at susie@ipns.com and ask to be added to the CPO8 Google Group.



In A Pickle About How to Preserve Food? Call The OSU Hotline: 1-800-354-7319

Want to know how to can salsa? Stumped about what kind of vinegar to use for pickling your cucumbers? Puzzled over hot packs and raw packs?

The Oregon State University Extension Service can help. Its statewide toll-free food safety and preservation hotline (1-800-354-7319) that operates each summer is now open. Trained volunteers and Extension staff will answer calls **Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through mid-October**. The volunteers have completed intensive training in food preservation and safety and have passed a certification exam.



Operators received more than 4,470 calls last summer, and half of them involved questions about canning, said Carolyn Raab, a food and nutrition specialist with OSU Extension. She said she expects more calls this year as the number of people growing and preserving their own food increases. Raab said part of the reason for this is that consumers are tightening their budgets during the economic downturn, trying to control the ingredients in their food, and aiming to eat food grown close to home. This is what county Extension faculty around the state are hearing from the public, she said.

Home canning is a science that must be done correctly. If it isn't, a life-threatening foodborne illness called botulism could result. Foods that have lower acidity (meat, seafood, poultry and nonpickled vegetables) should be processed in a large pressure canner to kill the harmful bacteria. Foods higher in acid (fruits, pickled vegetables and tomatoes) may be safely processed in a boiling-water canner. The length of time and pounds of pressure needed to process low-acid foods is influenced by the type of food, the way it's prepared, the size of the jar and the altitude.

Instructions for preserving various foods are available from the OSU Extension catalog at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog>. (Click on "nutrition and foods" and then "food preservation and storage") A printed catalog of these and other OSU Extension publications is available by calling 1-800-561-6719.

Hillsboro News August 2009

- Our 5th annual community event, "CELEBRATE HILLSBORO *presented by Tuality Healthcare*" will take place in downtown Hillsboro August 8th and 9th. Come join us for this FREE, fun-packed, family friendly event. We will have live entertainment, active children's arts/crafts/inflatable games area, health and eye screenings, Futsal (street soccer) tournaments, sustainability demonstrations and resources. For more information, go to www.ci.hillsboro.or.us
- Brown Bag It At The Plaza, a free concert series at the Civic Center, takes place every Wednesday from noon to 1 pm. Bring your brown bag lunch or pick up a lunch "to go" at one of our downtown restaurants. The series runs from July 15 through August 26.
August 5—Ida Viper
- Bag & Baggage Productions first ever outdoor summer Shakespeare performance will take place at the Tom Hughes Civic Center Plaza July 17th through August 2nd, Thursday through Sunday evenings at 7:30 p.m. For more information, show times and dates or to purchase tickets, visit <http://www.bagnbloggage.com/index.html>.
- Since his inauguration, President Obama has called on all Americans to serve their communities and be part of building a better future for our country. President Obama encourages all Americans to visit www.serve.gov to find service opportunities near them, post their projects and tell their friends and neighbors what they're working on. The Corporation for National and Community Service will be the key coordinating federal partner, working with the White House, federal agencies, and hundreds of nonprofit and community groups. The Corporation can be reached at ServiceInitiative@cns.gov.

From Farmer to Consumer: How to Make Direct Marketing Work

Consumers these days are eager to buy the ripest, freshest, high-quality fruits and vegetables they can find, and many farmers are stepping up to fill the demand at farmers' markets, roadside stands and U-pick operations.

Farmers who consider selling directly to the public understand that they can save money if they eliminate middlemen, but might need marketing advice to succeed. A wealth of details on how to make farmer-to-consumer marketing work is available in a series of newly revised publications from Oregon State University Extension Service.

The OSU publications help farmers evaluate their marketing needs and expectations and provide information on market alternatives.

"Self-evaluation is also a key," said Larry Burt, an OSU Extension economist and co-author of the series. "Direct market producers should enjoy meeting people who visit the farm or stand; if visitors do not feel welcome, they probably won't return.

"Although additional income is often the first reason farmers decide to become retailers, many enjoy the flexibility of owning their own business," he added.

Burt said that some farmers do not produce enough to attract processors or commercial buyers and instead use the opportunity to sell high-quality products that can vary from commercial standards in size and appearance.

Other considerations such as legal requirements, employment and zoning restrictions in starting a farmer-to-consumer business are detailed in the OSU publication series. All the publications are free of charge and can be found on the OSU Extension Service Web site.

- PNW 201-E, Farmer-to-Consumer Marketing Overview: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/pnw/pnw201-e.pdf>
- PNW 202-E, Production and Marketing Costs: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/pnw/pnw202-e.pdf>
- PNW 203-E, Merchandising, Pricing and Promotional Strategies: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/pnw/pnw203-e.pdf>
- PNW 204-E, Place of Business and Product Quality: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/pnw/pnw204-e.pdf>
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- PNW 206-E, Financial Management: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/pnw/pnw206-e.pdf>

Master Gardener will Help you Curb Use of Pesticides

Master Gardener Dian Cooper is searching for neighborhood associations, groups of friends and other interested in scheduling a presentation on household pesticide use.

Cooper recently underwent training as part of the Urban Pesticide Reduction Program a joint effort of Oregon State University and the Oregon Department of Agriculture designed to make homeowners aware of pesticide use and present alternatives to reduce or eliminate pesticides.

Cooper says during the two to three hour presentation, designed for ages 12 and up, she will talk about how to eliminate pests using physical barriers, help identify which pests are actually good for your home and garden and look at plants that don't get pests.

"Although I thought I was well-versed on pests and pesticides," Cooper said, "I was surprised a few times by the information in this class. There are opportunities for small group discussion and sharing, and at the end of the program people should be fired up to make changes.

Contact Diane Cooper at 503-644-8365 or cooper@msn.com.

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Neighborhood Review Meetings

Note: Some of the following meetings may have already occurred. They are listed here because we want you to be aware of potential development on sites within your CPO.

- ◆ Proposal to build a single-family residence on the existing 18.65-acre parcel on Tax Map 2N304 Tax Lot 1900 (undeveloped with no address). **Neighborhood meeting will be held on Monday, August 10th, 2009, 6:00PM at the Washington County Fire District #2 Station 17, Training Room, 31370**

NW Commercial St, North Plains.
