Citizen Participation Organization 10 & 15

The newsletter for CPO 10 and CPO 15 will be combined as one newsletter as a July/August edition.

The next CPO 10 meeting will be
Thursday, September 16, 2010, 7:00PM
Jackson Bottom Wetlands Education Center
2600 SW Hillsboro Highway

The next CPO 15 meeting will be
Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 7:00PM
Forest Hills Golf Course
36260 SW Tongue Lane
(Please see page 2 for the agenda.)

Come Celebrate our Neighborhood!
At The CPO 15 2nd Annual
Neighborhood Potluck Block Party*
Bring a potluck item to share.
Utensils and drinks provided

Tuesday, August 3, 2010
6:00-8:00 P.M.

In the Garden of Peggy & Tige Harris
4800 S.W. Golf Course Road, Cornelius**
(Please see page 2 for more details)

*CPO 15 is the area from Hwy 219 to Springhill Road
**4800 SW Golf Course Road is across the street from Forest Hills Golf Course

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
http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/LongRangePlanning/signat.cfm
Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington

Outdoor Fun -- Learning about Nature

We’ve got just a few more weeks of summer fun officially on the calendar. Are you looking for some new activities to try, or some places to explore close to home? Reach for ‘Green Scene’ on the Metro website to help set you on your way. (www.oregonmetro.gov, Search ‘Green Scene’. Hard copies are also available at local libraries.) I did, and I had a great time! Looking for a short, easy, no more than a half day experience in the woods for a summer Saturday, I recently participated in a Nature Walk on the Chehalem Ridge, on land Metro recently acquired.

On this Nature Walk tour, I learned that elderberries are noxious to humans if eaten uncooked, that oyster mushrooms like alder wood, that beavers will make burrows in hillsides, and that millipedes eat ‘duff’ as it is called, that layer of needles and decaying matter on the forest floor. That clever nature! My unpracticed ears could even differentiate various bird songs. On the other hand, holding the Carpathian Millipede for viewing by my fellow tour-mates was not high on my list of favorite experiences -- that poor little 2 inch long, tickling millipede! Despite my years of outdoors experience, camping, hiking, and climbing mountains, I just can’t seem to enjoy touching bugs -- but I continue to learn more about them and their role in our ecosystem and now I have a new story to tell as your Metro Councilor.

There were about 15 people on the walk, along with our guide, and we enjoyed terrific views from the ridge on a day of glorious weather. It was a delightful experience, which I would recommend to anyone. So yes, despite the bugs, I will seek out other new personal experiences using Green Scene, and I hope you will too.

CPO 15 Has Started a Neighborhood Watch Program

August 3rd is America’s Night Out Against Crime

Block Parties are being held all over the U.S. August 3rd to raise awareness of safety issues and help neighborhoods and neighbors get acquainted.

Come Join Us and Have Fun!!!
• The Sheriff’s Office will bring their K-9 Unit
• The Eros Family will present “Vests4Pets for K-9 dogs”
• Face painting for kids
• Local 4-H members will have their animals
• Opportunity to sign up for Neighborhood Watch

If you have questions please call Kay Nakao, 503-357-2936, Peggy Harris, 503-359-0798 or Kelly Lester, 503-357-4902

Citizen Participation Organization 15, Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 7:00PM

Forest Hills Golf Course, 36260 SW Tongue Lane

7:00PM What You Can Do to Prepare for Emergencies—Earthquakes, Storms, Flooding and other disasters. We will have material for you to help you be prepared.

8:00PM Candidates Forum for candidates for County Commissioner—Greg Mecklem and Bob Terry will speak and answer your questions. Come join us!
Metro Takes Final Action to Protect Farm and Forest Land, Guide Development for Next 50 Years

On Thursday, June 10, the Metro Council designated 28,615 acres of urban reserves across the region. When consideration is given to future urban growth boundary expansions through a process that takes place every five years, the focus will be on these lands. The Council's 5 to 2 vote reflected the challenges and concerns inherent in a fifty-year land use decision.

Despite months of regional negotiations, Councilors Liberty and Park cast dissenting votes, describing their concerns over the scale and location of urban reserves, particularly those on prime farmlands of Washington County. Councilors who voted in favor of the designation noted the necessity for compromise in reaching a regional agreement. Councilor Hosticka emphasized that this is not an urban growth decision, but establishment of reserves for the future.

The designation vote was postponed June 3 because of councilors' misgivings over a 129-acre property that Washington County requested be switched from rural to urban. The five majority votes June 10 came after reassurances that plans crafted by Clean Water Services, the Washington County water treatment agency, will provide improved habitat connections, high quality wetland mitigation and essential road and sewer easements for the North Bethany development, allowing more complete development of the area and saving millions of dollars.

The ordinance passed by the council modifies the 2040 Concept Plan map to include both urban and rural reserves. It also modifies regional land use planning rules and regulations. The urban reserve designation takes effect in 90 days. The Washington County Commission anticipates approving their rural reserves June 15, completing the designation process and sealing regional agreements.

In addition to the urban reserve designation's long term certainty for thoughtful and efficient urban planning, the coinciding rural reserve designations protect 266,954 acres of farms, forests and natural areas around the region from urban development pressures for the next half century.

The urban and rural reserves package from Metro and the three counties will be reviewed by the Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission. Its final decision expected in October.

Safer Gravel Roads

Washington County's Department of Land Use and Transportation plans to apply dust control treatment on some of our rural gravel roads over the next several weeks. The treatment helps to reduce traffic-generated dust and, even more importantly, contributes to traffic safety. Dust control treatment increases surface stability and thus motorist safety on curves and hills where traffic patterns and volumes cause corrugated or otherwise rough road surfaces.

Although dust control treatment has historically been referred to as "dust oil," it is not a petroleum product. It is an environmentally safe by-product from pulp mills. Dust control treatment contributes to environmental quality by reducing air-borne dust which can contaminate air and water.

With limited resources, the county treats only the most notorious spots where washboarded surfaces present particular driving issues. However, rural residents themselves can choose to pay for dust control on their county-maintained gravel roads. They must first obtain a no-cost dust control permit from the county. The permit coordinates county road grading with private contractor application of the dust control material. The permit also ensures that only environmentally safe products are used and that they are applied appropriately. The dust control permit is free of charge to the property owner or resident; contact County Road Operations at 503-846-ROAD (846-7623) for a permit.

Motorists can help to reduce traffic-generated dust by driving more slowly on gravel roads. Excessive speed increases dust which can damage nearby crops. Driving too fast on gravel also causes washboarding and damages the road surface, increasing the taxpayers' costs for maintenance.
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<td>Modification of conditions of casefile 06-238-REP to convert and retain the old dwelling as an accessory structure.</td>
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<td>0900360</td>
<td>KCL Inc. Between SW Brighton Lane and SW Larkins Mill Rd. Hillsboro</td>
<td>Plan amendment to change zoning from AF-20 to AF-10.</td>
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<td>Glen Donaldson 24411 SW Daniel Rd Beaverton 97007</td>
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<td>Michael Stephens 14140 SW 407th Ter. Gaston 97119</td>
<td>Plan amendment to remove the agriculture and forestry 20 acre district (AF-20) plan designation and designate the parcel agriculture and forestry 10 acre district (AF-10); requires an exception to statewide planning goal 14 (urbanization).</td>
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<td>Irene Lorence 30770 SW Lukas Rd. Cornelius 97113</td>
<td>Temporary use permit for health hardship renewal.</td>
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<td>Leland and Shirley Twigg SW Firdale Rd. Hillsboro</td>
<td>3 parcel partition pursuant to measure 49 Claim number 49CL0516.</td>
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<td>Carolyn J. Was Cowgill Cook 11315 SW River Rd. Hillsboro 97123</td>
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<td>100226</td>
<td>Michael Lorence 27925 SW Burkhalter Rd. Hillsboro 97123</td>
<td>Temporary health hardship request for an existing manufactured dwelling (change of occupant).</td>
<td>Application received. Awaiting public notice.</td>
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Mailing Address: Washington Co. DLUT, 155 N. First Ave Hillsboro, OR 97124.
http://washims.co.washington.or.us/GIS/index.cfm?id=31 Tel: 503-846-8761 Fax: 503-846-2908
CPO 15 Land Use and Development Applications

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<td>Daniel Rickard 34220 SW Firdale Rd. Cornelius</td>
<td>P/49CL0072 – partition into 3 lots and add 2 dwellings pursuant to Measure 49 claim #49CL0072.</td>
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<td>1000024 Type II AF 20</td>
<td>Gaylon and Alicia Dillavou 4949 SW Winters Rd. Cornelius</td>
<td>Property line adjustment in the AF 20 district.</td>
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Putting Leftover Paint to Good Use!
Recycling your unused paint products just got easier!

On July 23, 2009, Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski signed into law the nation’s first Product Stewardship program that requires paint manufacturers to safely manage leftover latex and oil-based paint from consumer and contractor painting jobs. The PaintCare Program is scheduled to begin July 1, 2010 and will provide State residents and businesses with a convenient option for paint disposal and recycling.

The PaintCare Program will be offered by a host of participating paint vendors throughout the State of Oregon. The proposed list of Washington County vendors is provided below and a comprehensive list will be available online at www.PaintCare.org. As the program matures, more paint collection sites will be established.

Residents and businesses seeking environmental and affordable ways to dispose of paint are encouraged to contact one of the participating locations listed below for site specific details. Disposal will be free of charge for all paints included in the program. Visit www.PaintCare.org for a complete list of included paints.

Washington County Participating Vendors:
- Suburban Ace Hardware Inc. - 3470 SW 185th Ave., Aloha, OR 97006 - (503) 649-5555
- Rodda Paint - Progress - 8614 SW Hall Blvd., Beaverton, OR 97008 - (503) 644-6188
- West Tuality ReStore - 4115 24th Ave., Forest Grove, OR 97116 - (503) 357-1201
- Miller Paint - 8703 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy., Portland, OR 97225 - (503) 292-4444
- Miller Paint - 1040 NW Murray Rd., Portland, OR 97229 - (503) 574-4411
- Sherwin Williams - 19390 SW 90th Court, Tualatin, OR 97062 - (503) 691-0500

For more details, or to schedule an on-site certification with a recycling specialist, log onto www.RecycleWise.org or call (503) 846-8609.

For more information and to sign up for the Recycle at Work online newsletter go to http://www.co.washington.or.us/News/Newsletters/raw-newsletter.cfm

GO GREEN, SAVE A TREE! 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!
Hot Weather Emergencies

Heat kills by pushing the human body beyond its limits. In extreme heat and high humidity, evaporation is slowed and the body must work extra hard to maintain a normal temperature.

Most heat disorders occur because the victim has been overexposed to heat or has over-exercised for his or her age and physical condition. Older adults, young children, and those who are sick or overweight are more likely to succumb to extreme heat.

Take Protective Measures, Before Extreme Heat
To prepare for extreme heat, you should:

- Install window air conditioners snugly; insulate if necessary.
- Check air-conditioning ducts for proper insulation.
- Install temporary window reflectors (for use between windows and drapes), such as aluminum foil-covered cardboard, to reflect heat back outside.
- Weather-strip doors and sills to keep cool air in.
- Cover windows that receive morning or afternoon sun with drapes, shades, awnings, or louvers. (Outdoor awnings or louvers can reduce the heat that enters a home by up to 80 percent.)
- Keep storm windows up all year.

During a Heat Emergency

- The following are guidelines for what you should do if the weather is extremely hot:
- Stay indoors as much as possible and limit exposure to the sun.
- Stay on the lowest floor out of the sunshine if air conditioning is not available.
- Consider spending the warmest part of the day in public buildings such as libraries, schools, movie theaters, shopping malls, and other community facilities. Circulating air can cool the body by increasing the perspiration rate of evaporation.
- Eat well-balanced, light, and regular meals. Avoid using salt tablets unless directed to do so by a physician.
- Drink plenty of water. Persons who have epilepsy or heart, kidney, or liver disease; are on fluid-restricted diets; or have a problem with fluid retention should consult a doctor before increasing liquid intake.
- Limit intake of alcoholic beverages.
- Dress in loose-fitting, lightweight, and light-colored clothes that cover as much skin as possible.
- Protect face and head by wearing a wide-brimmed hat.
- Check on family, friends, and neighbors who do not have air conditioning and who spend much of their time alone.
- Never leave children or pets alone in closed vehicles.
- Avoid strenuous work during the warmest part of the day. Use a buddy system when working in extreme heat, and take frequent breaks.

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Washington County Master Gardeners at the Washington County Fair
July 29, 30, 31, August 1

Washington County Master Gardeners Association will host garden tours and answer garden questions during all four days of the fair. The demonstration garden features a series of new vignette gardens that demonstrate a variety of gardening styles and methods. Look for them at the Washington County Fair Complex at the Cloverleaf entrance.

Theme gardens include edible, Asian, deer resistant, native, and garden beds to attract beneficial insects. The garden contains a new greenhouse, classroom area, composting center, adaptive and children's garden and showcases raised beds and espalier fruit trees. For more information go to www.wcmga.info or call the OSU Extension Office, 503-821-1150.

Please visit the CPO table in the main exhibit hall near the 4-H displays.
Share the Road Safely With Farm Equipment

Summer is harvest time in rural Washington County, and large slow-moving tractors and farm equipment traveling along the roadway are a common sight. 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. It is legal for farmers to drive their equipment on public roads, and both farmers and other roadway users must take proper precautions to share the roadways, for their own safety and the safety of others. 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.

Many accidents occur 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 2004 through 2008, Oregon experienced 219 crashes involving farm equipment; 157 people were injured and 17 people died. Seventeen of those crashes and one death occurred on Washington County’s roads. Over half of Washington County’s crashes were rear-end or side-swipe crashes, with another third occurred 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.

Washington County Roads

For an update on road construction and closures in Washington County, please go to http://www.wc-roads.com/. This website lists road closures, ways to get involved, maps and links to the Washington County Land Use and Transportation Department and other road agencies.

If you would like subscribe to receive electronic updates about the Cornelius Pass Road project go to the project website http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/TransportationProjects/cornelius-pass-rd-baseline-to-alocleek-dr.cfm and hit the esubscriptions link.

To subscribe to receive a weekly update, go to http://washtech.co.washington.or.us/subscriptions/
Water-Wise Gardening

Why waste the rain? Instead, put it to good use in your yard during all but the driest months with tips from Oregon State University horticulturist Weston Miller. Learn great ways for saving time, money and the health of your garden plants through water conservation. Get the latest on choosing water-wise plants, mulching, irrigating efficiently, planting rain gardens and more.

Saturday, August 14, 2010, 10:00am to 11:30am to be held at the Washington County Fair Complex, Demonstration Garden, 882 NE 28th Ave, Hillsboro. Use Clover Leaf entrance at west end of the fairgrounds.

There will be complimentary coupons and publications for all participants. Advanced registration is encouraged; drop-ins are welcome if space is available. To register, call 503-234-3000.

Hosted by Metro, OSU Extension Service Community and Urban Horticulture, Washington County Fair Complex Demonstration Garden

To learn more about natural gardening, please go to http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=24309