

Cedar Mill Creek Flood Remediation Collaborative

Action Items and Meeting Summary Monday, July 31, 2017 1:30-3:30p.m. Beaverton City Library

Attendance

<u>Project Team</u>: Chair Andy Duyck (Co-Convener), Director Jerry Jones (Co-Convener), Raihana Ansary (Regional Solutions), Lorraine Clarno (Beaverton Chamber of Commerce), Nora Curtis (Clean Water Services), David Donaldson (City of Beaverton), Cheryl Grabham (DEQ), Anita Huffman (DSL), Esther Lev (Wetlands Conservancy), Sara O'Brien (Willamette Partnership), April Olbrich (Tualatin River Watershed Council), Doug Menke (Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District), Andrew Plambeck (ODOT), Amanda Punton (DLCD), Brad Rawls (NOAA NMFS), Nate Reff (NIKE), Andrew Singelakis (Washington County), Amin Wahab (City of Portland BES), David Welsh (Reser's Fine Foods, Inc.)

Other Interested Parties: Betty Baldwin (Resident), Mark Boguslawski (City of Beaverton), Rocky Brown (Washington County), Jim Duggan (City of Beaverton), Mark Ellsworth (Regional Solutions), Anne MacDonald (Clean Water Services), Commissioner Greg Malinowski (Washington County), Bruce Moreira (WHPacific), Donald Nearhood (Resident), Erik Opsahl (NIKE), Stephen Roberts (Washington County), Jeannine Rustad (Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District), Gary Stockhoff (Washington County), Diane Taniguchi-Dennis (Clean Water Services)

<u>Facilitation Team</u>: Jeff Aprati (Jensen Strategies), Amy Delahanty (Oregon Solutions), Erik Jensen (Jensen Strategies), Madeline Kane (Jensen Strategies), Michael Mills (Oregon Solutions)

Action Items:

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| Add meeting documents to website for access to all. http://orsolutions.org/osproject/cedar-mill-creek-flood-remediation-collaborative | Oregon Solutions |
| Schedule next project team meeting in late September / early October and request meeting venue preferences. | Oregon Solutions |

Welcome and Introductions

Co-Conveners Washington County Board Chair Andy Duyck and Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District Board of Directors President Jerry Jones welcomed the group and thanked project team members for participating in this Oregon Solutions (OS) process. They then described their roles as co-conveners, outlined the roles of the Project Team and Technical Advisory Committee(s), and described the timeline of this process. Director Jones noted that this process



would result in the signing of a Declaration of Cooperation (DoC). He explained the DoC is non-legal document that participants will sign outlining their commitments to completing the project. In addition to the current organizations / stakeholders around the table, Director Jones and Chair Duyck noted there may be additional organizations that would have an interest in the process and may be added to the Project Team or a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) in the future. Finally, they shared they hoped individuals present in the audience stay involved and talk to their neighbors. Following this, there was a round of introductions of Project Team members and those in the audience.

Introduction of Ground Rules

Director Jones reviewed the Project Team principles and ground rules. Project Team members were asked for any comments, questions, or concerns; Director Jones noted that because not all Project Team members may have had a chance to review the documents ahead of the meeting, they were encouraged to reach out to the Co-Conveners afterward with feedback.

Oregon Solutions Process & Collaborative Work Plan

OS Project Manager Michael Mills introduced OS and reviewed the methodology and expectations of the project. Mills noted Erik Jensen of Jensen Strategies is a consultant for OS, and is the designated project manager for this collaborative; Mills will provide general process oversight at various points in the process.

Jensen reviewed the different roles and responsibilities of the Project Team, consultants and OS staff. He then reviewed the <u>committee structure</u> and Project Team organization matrix. Jensen noted there is only one TAC at this time, but he anticipates that as discussions move forward, there may be additional TACs added. The current TAC will be chaired by Anne McDonald of Clean Water Services and Rocky Brown of Washington County. Jensen then reviewed the five different strategies of the project:

- Prioritize improvements in a manner that reduces flood risks on residential and commercial property.
- Identify support and resources for improvements
- Establish a sequencing for implementing improvements that best serves the interests of all property owners.
- Evaluate a coordinated stormwater approach that would reduce future contributions to flooding problems.
- Work with state and federal agencies to coordinate a successful permitting process.

Assessment Review and Project Context Presentations

- **OS Consultant Bob Bailey** reviewed the OS assessment and findings (presentation found in Appendix A).
- Clean Water Services' Conveyance Department Director Nora Curtis reviewed the map of the watershed with Project Team members. She noted Clean Water Services is currently



under a new permit from DEQ with a requirement to address stormwater management; CWS is working to understand how to manage this requirement in an urban setting and to utilize natural resources to improve functionality. She also noted there will be large major transportation improvements planned in the area, including improvements made to the NIKE campus.



• Washington County Floodplain Administrator Rocky Brown shared his role and responsibilities as Floodplain Administrator. He then reviewed the Floodplain map and noted there have been a significant amount of technical background data, studies and modeling efforts completed and available for this effort; there was acknowledgement that many of the individuals around the table have participated in these studies. Brown then shared the mapping efforts that have happened and noted it would behoove the project team to be forward thinking with regard to NFIP changes that are likely to happen in the future.

Discussion: Issues to Solutions

Following the presentations, Jensen facilitated a discussion to generate ideas regarding additional potential signers to the DoC, central project-related issues, and potential mitigation opportunities to consider. Below is a bulleted list of the facilitated brainstorm:

Organizations

- Corps of Engineers
- FEMA
- DEQ-401
- Residential Community
- Wetlands Conservancy → TAC?
- Soil and Water Conservation Districts
- Forest Heights Corporation
- Property Acquisitions

Issues

- Flooding
- Cost benefit of community rating system (insurance)
- Channel erosion (at problem areas)
- Ecological system improvements
- Comprehensive wetland system
- Bike/pedestrian systems
- Environmental justice evaluation



- Tualatin Riverkeepers
- St. Vincent's Hospital
- Catlin Gabel
- French School
- Beaverton School District
- Businesses in watershed
- Unincorporated Multnomah County

- Governance of watershed system (coordination)
- Railroad embankment
- Coordinated inter-jurisdictional regulation approach
- Stay aware of NFI BiOP

Mitigation

- Widen Span by Trimet rail
- Explore upstream approaches
- Detention opportunities in Forest Heights
- Storm water reduction in old system
- Local vs. regional detention approach
- Identify locations for riparian areas within floodplain.
- Low impact development approaches
- Individual property owner approaches
- Channel maintenance
- Recreation/park area opportunities for mitigation
- System wide mitigation/remediation
- Identify a basin-wide funding mechanism
- Evaluate the option of establishing a flood control district
- Conduct outreach to community during this process and beyond

Next Steps, Schedule & Final Comments

Following the facilitated brainstorm session, the audience and project team members were invited to provide any comments regarding the day's meeting content and facilitated discussions. There being no comments, Director Jones and Chair Duyck thanked everyone for their participation and the meeting was adjourned at 3:30p.m.