



PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Monday, June 10, 2019



5:30 pm
6:00pm

Dinner (Committee/Staff) – Staff breakroom
Public Meeting Session - Goodpasture Rm.

Customer Service Building
3050 N. Delta Hwy., Eugene, OR 97408

PAC Meeting

- I. Introductions** – (5 min.)
- II. Public Comment** – (up to 10 min.)
- III. Assignment Review** – all (5 min.)
- IV. Review of Meeting Summary** – All (2 min.)
- V. Staff Updates/Reports** – (35 min.)
 - 1) North Bottomlands Lease
 - 2) Arboretum Lease Renewal
 - 3) North Jetty
 - 4) Willamette Confluence Preserve
- VI. Old Business** – All (15 min.)
 - 1) Armitage Campground Expansion
 - 2) Parks Funding Task Force
- VII. New Business** – All (20 min.)
 - 1) Facility Condition Assessment
- VIII. Open** – All (5 min.)
- IX. Operations Report** – (5 min.)
- X. Meeting Wrap-up/Assignments** – (5 min.)
- XI. Adjourn**

2019 Meeting Dates:

JANUARY 14	MAY 13	SEPTEMBER 9
FEBRUARY 11	JUNE 10	OCTOBER 14
MARCH 11	JULY NO MEETING	NOVEMBER 18
APRIL 8	AUGUST NO MEETING	DECEMBER 9

Lane County Parks Advisory

May 13, 2019
Meeting Summary

**This written indexed summary of minutes is provided as a courtesy to the reader.
The recorded minutes created pursuant to ORS 192.650(1) are the official minutes of this body under Oregon law.**

The recorded minutes are available on the Parks Advisory Committee website:

<http://www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/Parks/Pages/pac.aspx>

Members Present: Kevin Shanley, Ashley Adelman, Wayne Lemler, Greg Hyde, Carl Stiefbold

Members Absent: Pat Bradshaw, Jim Mayo

Staff Present: Brett Henry, Charlie Conrad, Ed Alverson

Guests Present: David Luke – North by Northwest Relays
Jason Blazar – Friends of Buford Park/Mt. Pisgah

Chair Lemler called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

00:0:38 Public Comment – None

00:00:50 Assignment Review – None

00:00:57 Review of April 8, 2019 Meeting Summary
- Approved as written

00:01:50 Staff Updates/Reports

- *North by Northwest Relays* – Promoter Dave Luke gave a presentation on a series of relay events he has submitted a Special Use Permit for that will use several of the parks later in October.
- *Ponderosa Project* – Jason Blazar provided an update on what is known as the Ponderosa Project taking place in the NE quadrant of HBRA. The project is in accordance with the HBRA Master Plan designed to restore native oak savanna, oak woodland, and wet prairie habitats as well as protect salmon and steelhead habitat, Oregon chub and northern red-legged frog, Townsend's big-eared bat, and Oregon vesper sparrow habitat.
- *North Jetty Update* – LCP has entered into a one-year maintenance agreement with DSL to better understand what the commitment would look like if Lane County were to enter into a longer term lease for this location. A meeting with City officials is planned for June to keep stakeholders informed of the changes regarding the short-term and long-terms plans for this property.
- *Armitage Campground Expansion* – Recap of April 17th scoping meeting and presentation of next steps toward expanding this campground to provide an additional loop of camping sites.
- *Hendricks Bridge Mitigation* – Henry discussed the project background and the complex permitting process involved with mitigation requirements to offset the work to the boat ramp area. LCP plans to partner with the McKenzie River Trust (MRT) and the McKenzie Watershed Council (MWC) to work out an off-site mitigation plan to meet the requirements. Once approved, the project can move into the construction phase.

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Staff Updates/Reports (cont.)

- *Willamette Confluence Preserve* – Henry refreshed members on the property acquisition possibility and the questionnaire that is required from interested parties. Staff has a tour scheduled on May 21st with members of MRT, Friends of Buford Park (FBP), and Mt. Pisgah Arboretum (MPA). MRT also plans to submit a response to the questionnaire by the June 15th deadline.

01:35:15 Old Business

- *Parks Funding Task Force* – County Administrator Steve Mokrohisky advised LCP staff to prepare a board packet for a board order to form a task force to look at finding sustainable funding sources for the Parks Division. Henry wants to make sure there is a well-represented group from around the county. He plans to begin reaching out to interested parties in late June or early July and asked PAC members to help provide recommendations.

01:42:30 New Business

- *Friends of Orchard Point Marina* – PAC member Carl Stiefbold spoke about his desire and action to start to *Friends of Orchard Point Marina* volunteer group, sharing a letter he drafted to fellow moorage holders inviting interested parties to attend a kickoff meeting which was held April 27th. Interest was high and the meeting was well attended. Stiefbold reported that the meeting resulted in support from Parks staff to address some of the safety features that are lacking at the marina such as throwable life rings, safety ladders, and fire extinguishers. Stiefbold stated that the next steps will include an MOU (memorandum of understanding) with the County and also the forming of a 501C for the non-profit Friends group. Future plans may include a newsletter to moorage holders and other interested parties, a focus on some ready-made projects that volunteers can get involved in to help parks staff with much-needed maintenance and repairs to the park and marina areas, and fundraising ideas to support the group and its projects.
- *Volunteer Coordinator Interview Process* – Henry has been working with staff writing the job description for the new position and asked members if they would support the interview process by being involved in activities such as a meet & greet session with applicants, sitting on an interview panel, and inviting possible presentations from successful candidates to the PAC at a future meeting.

01:58:30 Open

- *Passport Parking App* – Shanley asked for an update on feedback of the app since its kickoff in January. Conrad reported that the app is not available in all parks, just those with cell reception, which incorporates 43 of the 68 Lane County Parks. Out of those 43, there have been 734 day use passes purchased at 25 parks. Conrad stated that he has only received a small number (3) of comments from users who were frustrated with the app.
- *Heceta Beach Parking Lot Expansion* – Conrad advised members on the recent paving project to add 11 additional spaces to this popular parking area on the Oregon Coast, bringing the number of parking spaces from 16 to 27.

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02:02:30 Operations Report

- The operations report was inadvertently left out of the packet. Henry summarized the report by recapping storm debris cleanup from February's snowstorm, which was followed by heavy rains and flooding the following month capitalizing most of the maintenance staff's time. He mentioned again how impressed he has been with the ability of such a small staff to accomplish so much and still get the entire park system ready for spring openings.

02:04:20 Meeting Wrap-up/Assignments

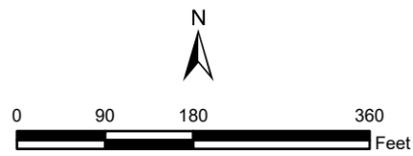
- None

02:04:50 Adjourn – Meeting ended at 8:09 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 10th, 2019.

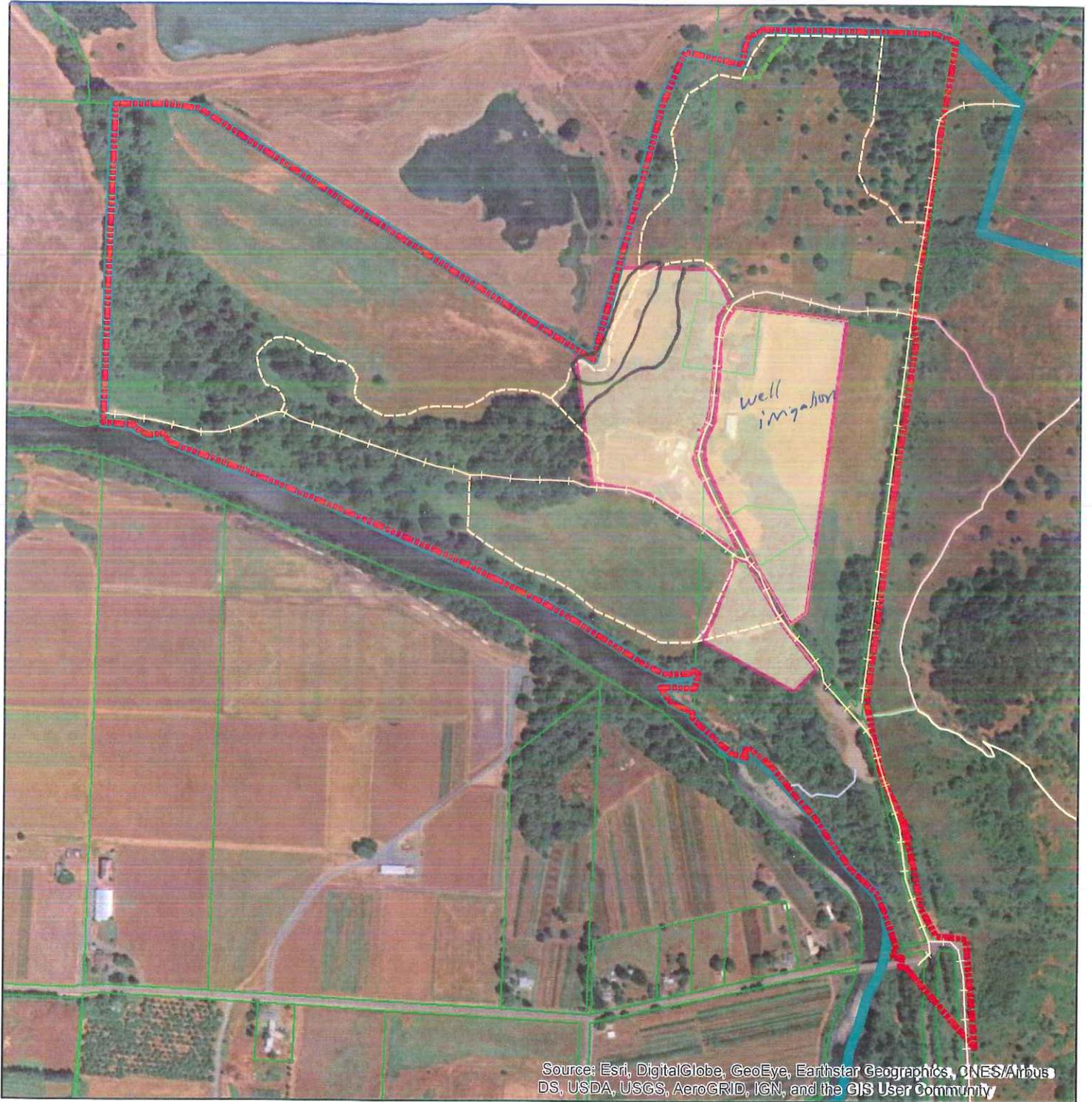


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HBRA North Bottomlands

~ 29 acres



Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community

North Bottomlands Stewardship Zone

-  North Bottomlands Stewardship Zone Boundary
-  HBRA boundary - property line
-  Friends proposed alternative North Bottomlands Lease Boundary
-  Tax Lots (2009 data) & LC Road ROW



LEASE AGREEMENT

LANE COUNTY / MOUNT PISGAH ARBORETUM

THIS AGREEMENT entered into the 1st day of July, 2019 by and between LANE COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Oregon, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, and MOUNT PISGAH ARBORETUM, a nonprofit Oregon corporation, hereinafter referred to as LESSEE.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, COUNTY owns and manages the HOWARD BUFORD RECREATION AREA, hereinafter referred to as HBRA; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE began development in 1975 of a public arboretum within a tract of HBRA under a temporary license granted by COUNTY on July 2, 1975, and a thirty year lease executed on April 3, 1979; and

WHEREAS, the HBRA Master Plan (HBRA Plan), adopted as a Refinement on June 15, 1994 provides for the continuation and expansion of a public arboretum; and

WHEREAS, in 1996 COUNTY and LESSEE entered into a new 50 year lease agreement extending from July 1, 1996 to July 1, 2046 for the development, operation and management of a public arboretum within the boundaries of HBRA; and

WHEREAS, since 1975, LESSEE has made substantial improvements to the lease area, including: removal of derelict buildings, and rehabilitation and maintenance of other buildings; major restoration of natural habitats; construction and maintenance of more than seven miles of trails; construction and maintenance of a large parking lot, public restrooms, a potable water system, and a picnic area; construction and maintenance of on-site offices and a large events facility; and development and installation of large scale educational exhibits; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE has kept the arboretum site open to the public, free of charge, since 1975 and developed nature education programs which have served over 75,000 local school children and over 12,000 adults; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE engages approximately 500 community volunteers each year to help care for the site and teach others about local ecology; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE has served the constituents of Lane County, the Pacific Northwest and the general public since 1975, and currently has an estimated annual attendance of 400,000; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE has expended approximately \$10,000,000 including over \$1,000,000 for capital improvements at the arboretum site, and has secured an endowment fund of over \$800,000; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE has stated in their Articles of Incorporation as amended on March 13, 2017 that “The primary purpose of this organization shall be to engage people with nature through interactive learning and stewardship; and

WHEREAS, successful fund raising, including securing grants and donations, for capital improvements to the arboretum is dependent on LESSEE’S ability to document a long-term commitment for occupancy of the site; and

WHEREAS, LESSEE has performed their assigned work diligently over the entire term of the lease to-date, and without an increase in caretaker payments since 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Lane County Board of County Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution on October 31, 2017 recognizing the value of the COUNTY’s partnership with LESSEE; and

WHEREAS, the working relationship between COUNTY and LESSEE has evolved over time, with the result that some provisions of the 1996 have become obsolete.

NOW, THEREFORE, COUNTY agrees to lease to LESSEE those properties within HBRA delineated in Exhibit “A” (hereinafter “the properties) attached hereto, under the following terms and conditions:

1. LESSEE shall bear the financial burden and responsibility for all development, operation, and maintenance costs arising from use of the properties. However, nothing in this clause precludes cooperative and cost-sharing arrangements between LESSEE and departments of the COUNTY, which are determined by separate agreement to be of mutual benefit.
2. LESSEE agrees that NO new development or capital improvement shall occur or be accomplished on the properties unless expressly approved by COUNTY in writing.
3. LESSEE agrees to submit to COUNTY every five years, for its review and approval, a proposed plan detailing development, operation, and maintenance plans for the properties for the next five-year period, plan to be submitted by March 30 of every fifth year. LESSEE shall update COUNTY if this plan changes within the five-year period.
4. LESSEE agrees that any and all fees and charges collected for entrance to the properties shall be subject to prior approval by COUNTY, with the exception of LESSEE’s regular spring and fall festivals, and COUNTY may require that a portion of said fees be appropriated to the County Parks Division. The amount of the fees appropriated to the Parks Division shall be negotiated through a separate agreement or an amendment to this lease.
5. LESSEE agrees to maintain the properties in a clean condition during the period of lease. LESSEE shall exercise diligence in protecting from damage the land and properties, and shall pay to COUNTY for any damage resulting from negligence or violation of this lease by LESSEE or by any member, agent, employee, or permittee of LESSEE acting within the scope of their agency, employment or permission.

6. LESSEE agrees to provide caretaker services within HBRA as described in Exhibit 'B' under the following conditions:

A. RESIDENCE: LESSEE shall establish and maintain permanent residence and on-going occupancy in the caretaker's quarters provided by COUNTY during the term of this lease. Such occupancy shall be maintained by one or more LESSEE representative(s) who is/are trained and capable of performing all caretaker duties.

LESSEE shall maintain residence and surrounding area in a neat and orderly fashion as acceptable to COUNTY. LESSEE shall be responsible for minor, routine repairs to residence. No major repairs, alterations, or improvements may be made without prior approval of COUNTY, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

LESSEE may not erect storage sheds nor store personal property such as construction materials, recreational vehicles, boats, etc., without prior approval of COUNTY, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

All utilities, including sewage for the facility and potable water for the facility and residence shall be the responsibility of LESSEE. Sewage for residence shall be the responsibility of the COUNTY.

B. CARETAKING AND MAINTENANCE DUTIES: LESSEE is responsible for providing the specific caretaking and maintenance duties described in Exhibit 'B'. LESSEE shall at all times perform such duties in a safe manner. Disregard for standard safety practices shall constitute inadequate contract performance and be subject to the provisions of Section D.

C. PARK WATCH PROGRAM: LESSEE is responsible for providing the Park Watch Program duties described in Exhibit 'C'. LESSEE shall at all times perform such duties in a safe manner. LESSEE's disregard for standard safety practices shall constitute inadequate contract performance and be subject to the provisions of Section D.

D. PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES: COUNTY may take the following measures to ensure adequate performance of LESSEE'S duties and responsibilities.

- 1) COUNTY shall regularly inspect area surrounding residence and service area to ensure performance of duties and compliance with standards and shall inform LESSEE of any deficiencies that shall be immediately corrected by LESSEE.
- 2) Serious or repeated performance deficiencies may result in reductions of the amount due LESSEE under the terms of this agreement.
- 3) Consistent failure to abide by the terms of this section may result in its termination as provided in Paragraph (6) (F).

E. DAMAGES: All damages, other than ordinary wear and tear, to COUNTY property caused by LESSEE shall be fully repaired in a manner satisfactory to COUNTY.

F. GENERAL PROVISIONS: In the performance of this agreement, it is understood and agreed that:

- 1) LESSEE and its employees are not currently employed by COUNTY and shall not be under the direct control of COUNTY;
- 2) LESSEE is engaged as an independent contractor and shall be responsible for any Federal or State taxes applicable to this payment. LESSEE and its employees shall not be eligible for any Federal Social Security, State Worker's Compensation, unemployment insurance, or Public Employees Retirement System benefits through COUNTY from this contract payment;
- 3) LESSEE shall be responsible for any taxes, worker's compensation insurance, unemployment insurance, social security, or any other requirements of Federal, State, and local laws for LESSEE'S employees;
- 4) COUNTY shall report the total amount of all payments to LESSEE in accordance with Federal Internal Revenue Service and State of Oregon Department of Revenue obligations;
- 5) LESSEE and its employees are not members of the Oregon Public Employees Retirement System and employed for a total of 600 hours or more in the calendar year by any public employer participating in the Retirement System;
- 6) The applicable provisions of the Lane Manual setting forth standard provisions for public contractors (LM 21.130), and any amendments thereof, are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

G. TERMINATION: Section 6 of the lease (Caretaker Services within HBRA) may be terminated by either party within thirty (30) days with written notice to the other party. In addition, COUNTY may terminate Section 6 of the lease immediately upon written notice to LESSEE if it determines that LESSEE has failed to abide by the terms of Section 6. Within thirty (30) days after written notice of termination, LESSEE shall yield up the caretaker's quarters in as good an order and condition as when the same was first entered by LESSEE, ordinary wear and tear exempted. LESSEE shall remove all personal property. If LESSEE fails to remove all such property within the aforementioned period, such property shall become the property of COUNTY; however, LESSEE shall remain liable for the cost of removal and for any necessary site renovation. In additions, all COUNTY property must be returned to COUNTY during this period.

All requirements of Section 6 must be met before COUNTY shall release any final payments due LESSEE.

H. PAYMENT FOR CARETAKER SERVICES: In consideration of the rights and responsibilities granted herein, COUNTY shall make payment to LESSEE on a monthly basis, or pro-rated portion thereof as follows: \$1,125 per month beginning July 1, 2019. Payment shall be subject to annual budget appropriation by the Lane County Board of Commissioners. Caretaker payments shall be increased pursuant to the schedule described in paragraph 17.

7. COUNTY does not warrant that the premises of the HBRA are safe, sanitary, or healthful.

8. LESSEE agrees that any and all exercising of its use under this lease shall be at LESSEE'S sole risk.
9. LESSEE agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold COUNTY harmless from all liability from damages, costs, losses, and expenses resulting from, arising out of, or in any way connected with the operation or use of said premises by LESSEE or its members, invitees, or guests, or from the failure on the part of LESSEE to perform fully all of LESSEE'S promises herein.
10. LESSEE agrees that prior to commencement of the use, LESSEE shall obtain and maintain at its own expense, comprehensive liability insurance, including bodily injury, property damage, contractual, personal injury, products, and automobile. The minimum limit of liability insurance shall be \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$4,000,000 aggregate, bodily injury and/or property damage.
11. LESSEE agrees that this lease shall not be assigned.
12. LESSEE agrees that use of the premises shall conform to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by COUNTY to govern and provide for public use of HBRA outside of lease area. Furthermore, LESSEE shall insure that public access shall be maintained along the West Summit Trail, and other HBRA trails and public parking lots that exist within and/or adjacent to the lease area. COUNTY and LESSEE shall jointly be responsible for the management, control, and maintenance of such COUNTY-created trails, and shall jointly maintain and manage the parking lots with LESSEE. COUNTY shall coordinate all third party uses of HBRA access trails and public parking lots that exist within the lease area with the LESSEE. LESSEE may develop, manage, control, and maintain additional trails within the lease area. COUNTY shall, at its option, assist in the maintenance of those trails.
13. COUNTY agrees that LESSEE shall be able to conduct fundraising and to raise revenues on site when the moneys raised shall be used solely for the maintenance and improvement of the arboretum and/or the advancement of its non-profit mission. To substantiate this, LESSEE agrees to provide COUNTY with a copy of their annual, independent financial review.
14. LESSEE agrees that COUNTY shall at all times have the right to make inspections concerning the development, operation, and maintenance of HBRA.
15. LESSEE agrees that it shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status, national origin, mental or physical disability, or any other legally protected status in the conduct of its development, operations, and maintenance of the premises. Additionally, LESSEE agrees that it shall comply with TITLE VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat 241), and any amendments thereof, as well as any relevant State or local statutes, rules, and regulations in this area.
16. LESSEE agrees that it shall not use the premises for any exclusively commercial scheme or enterprise, nor shall LESSEE permit any individual to use the premises for such activities, excepting those activities carried out by LESSEE in the course and scope of furthering its mission and provided the activity does not affect the operation of LESSEE as

a non-profit corporation and provided the activity does not affect the health and/or the appearance of the premises. However, this does not mean that the LESSEE cannot utilize the services of commercial vendors if the commercial activity is incidental to the overall operation and management of the arboretum or the advancement of LESSEE's mission. The COUNTY shall grant exceptions to these provisions based upon the location of the vendors, frequency of commercial activity, size of the commercial operation, and the purpose of the commercial activity. Such exceptions must be granted in writing.

17. COUNTY agrees to lease said property to LESSEE for a period of fifty (50) years from July 1, 2019 to July 1, 2069, at \$1.00 per year, payable on January 30 of each year.

The parties intend that this Lease Agreement shall renew every five years, beginning July 1, 2024, and continuing on July 1 every five years thereafter. With each renewal, COUNTY shall add an additional five years to the term of the lease, such that the term of the lease shall always be fifty years from the date of the lease renewal. Upon the same five-year renewal schedule, the parties intend that COUNTY shall increase its monthly payment to LESSEE for caretaker services, pursuant to paragraph 6 H, at a rate of \$125 per month, or otherwise as the parties may agree, and also that the parties shall renegotiate the caretaker duties described in Exhibit B. If these renegotiations have not begun by March 1 of the renewal year, there shall be an automatic increase of \$125 per month for the caretaker services payment, beginning on the lease renewal date, and Exhibit B shall remain unchanged from its last prior version. All amendments to the Lease Agreement and Exhibits shall be effective on the lease renewal date and must be in writing.

18. LESSEE agrees that should it fail to make conscientious efforts towards its objectives for a period of one or more years, or if LESSEE fails to maintain its status as an Oregon nonprofit corporation in good standing, COUNTY may terminate this lease upon 90 days' written notice, if LESSEE fails to comply with this provision during that period. In addition, if LESSEE fails to make good progress towards its objectives, despite conscientious efforts, COUNTY may terminate this lease after a public hearing in which it determines that the lease is no longer in the best interest of the public. Upon termination of this lease for whatever reason, all improvements arising from development of the premises shall remain in HBRA.
19. This LEASE may not be modified orally and any modification must be accomplished with the same formalities as are required for the execution of this lease.
20. This LEASE is not intended to convey any interest in the lands herein to the LESSEE. Further, this lease is subordinate to that deed dated April 20, 1982 between the State of Oregon and Lane County attached as Exhibit 'C', and the project agreement (41-00348) dated January 13, 1972 between the State of Oregon and the United States.
21. In the event of litigation involving the terms and conditions of this lease, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees, costs, and expenses from the losing party, including all such fees, costs, and expenses on appeal.
22. This lease shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon.

This lease may be executed in one or more identical counterparts, including facsimile counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original. All counterparts shall constitute one lease, binding on all of the parties, notwithstanding that all of the parties have not signed the same counterpart. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this lease the day and year first herein above written.

MOUNT PISGAH ARBORETUM

LANE COUNTY

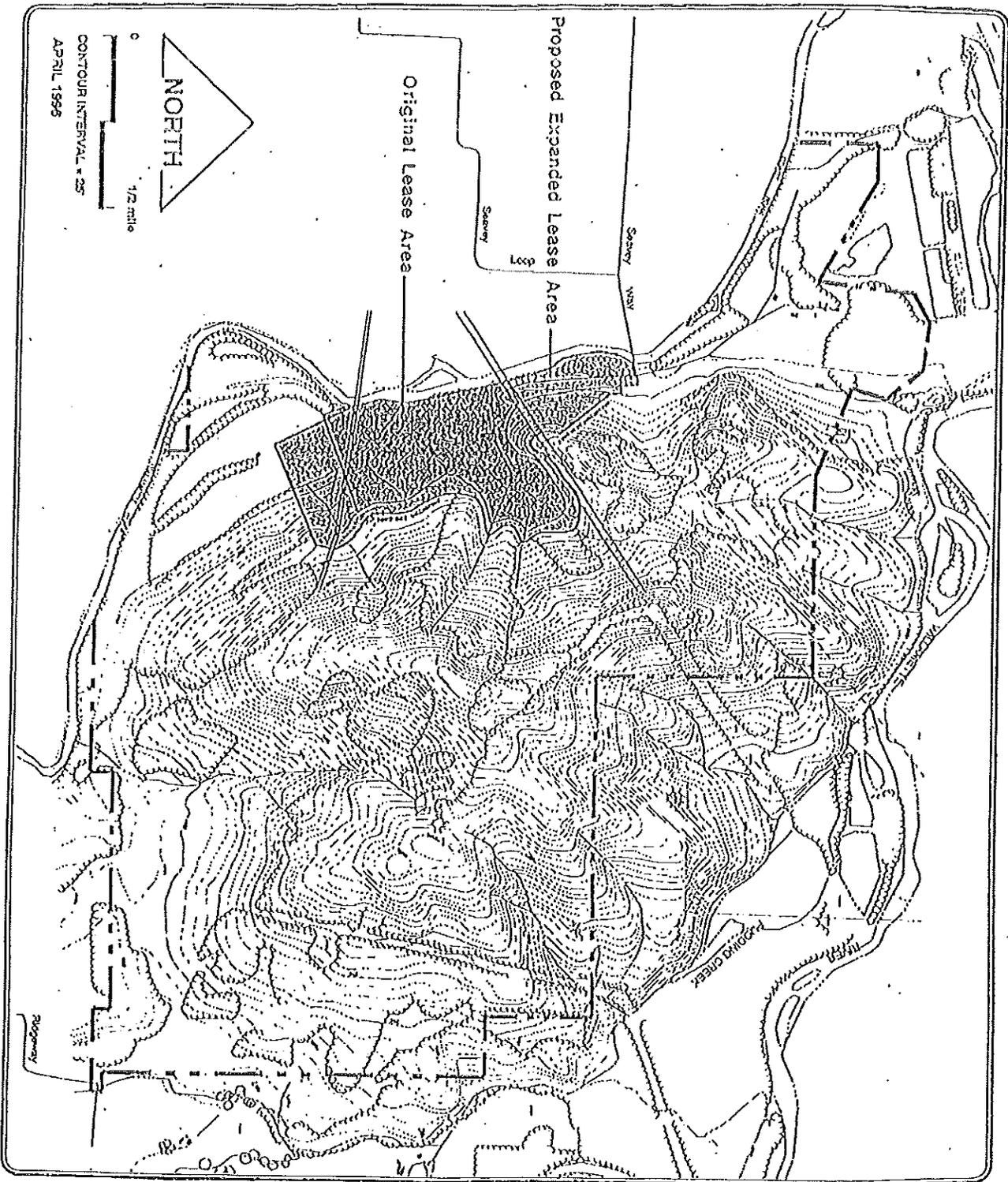
By: _____
Brad van Appel
Executive Director

By: _____
Steve Mokrohisky
County Administrator

Date: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT A



Howard Buford Recreation Area - Mt. Pisgah Arboretum
Lane County Parks Lease Area Expansion

3040 Delta Highway N., Eugene, Oregon 97400 541-341-6940 Fax 541-607-8996



SPECIFIC CARETAKING AND MAINTENANCE DUTIES(as amended ,2019)Public Assistance

LESSEE shall provide assistance and information to the public throughout HBRA, and at all times shall promote a positive image of COUNTY. When called upon to do so, LESSEE shall make reasonable efforts to assist lost or distressed park visitors throughout the park, and contact law enforcement or emergency personnel as appropriate. LESSEE shall inform public of, and encourage compliance with park rules. LESSEE is responsible for the notification of parks staff and/or law enforcement officers in cases where LESSEE is aware of serious rule violations that jeopardize public health and safety. LESSEE is also responsible for notification in cases of damage to COUNTY or personal property, or personal injury, if made aware. LESSEE will document incidents and provide documentation to COUNTY.

Parking Passes

During LESSEE's regular office hours, LESSEE shall sell daily and annual Lane County Parks passes to visitors who request them with proceeds going to COUNTY. LESSEE will notify COUNTY when fee machine is out of order.

Collaboration

LESSEE and COUNTY will collaborate when appropriate on issues and opportunities that occur or arise anywhere within HBRA. This may include coordinated response to weather events, or implementing and maintaining temporary park closures that have been established by COUNTY as per COUNTY's preferred communication protocols.

Access

LESSEE shall provide and maintain access to the South Bottomlands area for park visitors who wish to leave the lease area and continue on to other areas of HBRA through the South Bottomlands. LESSEE shall coordinate with COUNTY and other HBRA stakeholders to maintain service roads and emergency access routes through lease area.

During fire season LESSEE shall update the Fire Danger signage according to the daily IFPL information.

Patrol

LESSEE shall periodically patrol west side of park and the East Trailhead Parking Lot, including roads and trailheads, and may provide reminders to park visitors to gain voluntary compliance pertaining to the visible display of a valid parking pass while visiting HBRA. Cases of vehicles lacking a valid parking pass, vandalism, unauthorized off road vehicle usage, etc., shall be reported as per COUNTY's preferred communication protocols.

Trail Maintenance

LESSEE currently maintains over seven miles of trails within the lease area. Working cooperatively with the COUNTY and other HBRA stakeholders, and in response to specific COUNTY requests, LESSEE may assist with trail improvement and maintenance outside of the Arboretum as necessary for safety through assisting the COUNTY with recruitment and supervision of volunteers, inspection of trails, and monitoring trail use. LESSEE and COUNTY may collaborate on closing unauthorized trails that emanate from within the Arboretum but extend beyond the Arboretum boundary.

Habitat Management

LESSEE and COUNTY may collaborate, by mutual agreement with written approval and authorization by COUNTY, on habitat management work outside the Arboretum. While this is most likely to take place in portions of the park located in proximity to the Arboretum, such efforts may occur anywhere within the park.

Garbage & Litter

Using its own employees and/or volunteers, LESSEE shall remove garbage and litter from west and north park entrances once a week or as appropriate, and shall pay for routine trash disposal. LESSEE and COUNTY shall communicate if changes to park usage affect Lessee's ability to complete this duty in a timely/cost effective manner.

Fences & Gates

Using its own employees and/or volunteers, LESSEE shall open and close park gates as requested by COUNTY.

Amenities

LESSEE shall provide and maintain a potable water system, clean public restrooms, and a public picnic area located within the Arboretum boundary and available to all park visitors.

LESSEE shall identify, inspect and coordinate repairs in collaboration with COUNTY and other stakeholders to areas in need of routine maintenance such as the main parking lot and information kiosks.

Howard Buford Recreation Area Mount Pisgah Park Watch Program

Management Statement:

The Howard Buford Recreation Area (HBRA) management statement as described in the 1992 Howard Buford Recreation Area Management Plan:

The purpose of the Howard Buford Recreation Area is to provide varied opportunities for primarily low intensity outdoor recreation and education activities while protecting, conserving, enhancing, and maintaining the natural, scenic, historical, rural, and recreational qualities of this large, strategically located regional park.

Purpose:

The Mount Pisgah Park Watch Program will fall under the guidelines of the management statement above. The Mount Pisgah Park Watch Program will help in the enhancement and specifically, the recreational quality of the site. The Mount Pisgah Park Watch Program will consist of volunteers who want to help improve the overall user experience at the Howard Buford Recreation Area and specifically, the safety of the three parking areas within the park.

Objectives:

The Mount Pisgah Park Watch shall:

- 1.) Act as a visible presence in the three parking areas of the park to deter vandalism.
- 2.) Provide a communications link between recreation users and Park staff. Report any suspicious acts or hazardous situations to the proper authorities.
- 3.) Answer visitor questions as needed and provide any information they may need.

Volunteer Roles:

- 1.) Act as a visible presence:

Mount Pisgah Park Watch members represent Lane County and the Parks Division so professionalism is required. The main purpose of the Mount Pisgah Park Watch is to be visible in the three parking areas of the park to help deter vandalism. This will help keep the crime rate low at HBRA and prevent car break-ins. It is important to note that safety of the volunteers is the first priority of the program. Members are asked not to get involved in an incident and they should call the appropriate authorities as warranted. Members are asked not approach park users. However, if a park user approaches a member, then the member can assist. In 911 incidents, members are asked to use their own cell phones to contact emergency personnel.

- 2.) Provide a communications link:

Mount Pisgah Park Watch members will have an incident log to track noteworthy situations observed while on shift. Members will also have a supply of Lane County Sheriff's Office Citizens Report Forms to hand out as needed. If a park user approaches a member about an incident such as a car break-in, then members are asked to give a Citizens Report Form to the park user and note it on the incident log. The Parks Division will supply the incident logs, Citizen Report Forms, and clip boards for members to use. Volunteers also act as a communications link if they spot an emergency or hazardous situation. In 911 incidents,

Exhibit C

members are asked to use their own cell phones to contact emergency personnel. Hazardous situations should be noted on the incident log. If immediate attention is needed to the hazard, the Parks Division should be notified of the hazard.

3.) Answer visitor's questions:

The Mount Pisgah Park Watch members will act as an information resource as needed. Volunteers will provide assistance and information to the public and at all times act in a manner that promotes a positive image of Lane County and the Parks Division. Volunteers may inform the public of park rules, but are in no way responsible for obtaining compliance with said rules, except as may be accomplished by friendly persuasion. Volunteers may answer public questions for park users and/or supply park brochures/maps as needed. A supply of brochures/maps will be kept in the Mount Pisgah Park Watch supply lock box located at the Mount Pisgah Arboretum Administrative office.

Howard Buford Recreation Area Visitor Code of Conduct (Rules and Regulations):

1. Please observe park hours: Dawn to Dusk. There is no overnight camping within Howard Buford Recreation Area
2. Visitors shall observe the hiker only or hiker/equestrian trail designations. Please refer to the trail map posted at trailhead or take a brochure.
3. Motorized vehicles and bicycles shall not be operated on trails.
4. Dogs must be kept on a leash no longer than six feet in length on trails 1 and 2. On all other trails, dogs must be under the owner's voice command
 - a. Dog owners must pick up and properly dispose of their dog's waste matter while in park..
 - b. Both these rules are in place to ensure the safety of all park visitors and their animals.
5. Users shall not disturb or remove any vegetation, wildlife, or natural features
6. Unauthorized signing or trail marking is not allowed.
7. Users are encouraged to stay on designated trails. Users are not to use trails, which have been closed or are being renovated. Off trail use causes erosion, which then becomes unsafe for use.
8. No person may discharge any weapon capable of harming persons, wildlife, or property.
9. Please keep all valuables within your car out of sight while using the park.
10. No fires, charcoal or portable cooking stoves are allowed within park.
11. All trash, garbage or other refuse must be placed in the receptacles provided.
12. No person may operate a concession nor engage in the business of advertising, soliciting or selling of goods or services.
13. Hunting or trapping of game or non-game animals is not permitted. Fishing is permitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.
14. All vehicles are required to display a valid parking pass. The maximum speed limit through the park is 15 mph.
15. No smoking is allowed on park property.

Exhibit C

A copy of the HBRA Visitor Code of Conduct (Rules & Regulations) sign that is posted on each kiosk at the park and is included in this handbook along with the Lane Codes for Lane County Parks.

Expectations of Mount Pisgah Park Watch Members:

1. Volunteers are required to follow all roles as described in this handbook.
2. Volunteers are required to follow all HBRA rules and regulations and Lane Codes.
3. Volunteers must act in a professional and courteous manner at all times.
4. The use of any controlled substance (unless prescribed by a physician) or anything that might impair judgment is prohibited.
5. Volunteers are required to attend a training session prior to their first shift and sign the release form required by Lane County.

While Working a Shift

At the beginning of their shift, volunteers will need to obtain supplies from the supply lock box located at the Mount Pisgah Arboretum Administrative office. This will include a clip board, incident report forms, Citizen Report Forms, brochures/maps, a first aid kit, and a handheld radio. At the end of their shift, volunteers will need to return the supplies to the supply lock box. Incident report forms filled out will need to be put in the envelope marked "Filled out Incident Report Forms" inside the box. The envelope will be picked up once a week for the Parks Division to review.

Equipment Provided by Lane County Parks:

- 1.) Mount Pisgah Park Watch Vest & Hat (each member will have their own to use)
- 2.) Code to Lock Box is Provided
- 3.) First Aid Kit
- 4.) Incident Report Forms
- 5.) Park Watch Log
- 6.) Brochures/Maps

Qualifications:

Each volunteer must be 18 years or older. Each volunteer will attend a training session put on by the Lane County Parks Division or designated representative before working their first shift. Transportation to and from the site will be the responsibility of the volunteer. Each volunteer will use their own cell phone while on shift as needed. Lane County Parks is not liable for any injuries or damage to persons and/or animals or equipment while on shift. Each volunteer must sign a waiver that indemnifies Lane County and acknowledges that volunteering in this program is at the sole risk and responsibility of the volunteer.

Commitment:

Each volunteer is asked to commit 6 months to the program. There is an expectation of twelve 2-hour shifts over the course of the 6 months.

Expectations of Park Division Staff:

- 1.) Provide equipment listed.
- 2.) Provide volunteers with current information on the conditions at the HBRA.

Exhibit C

- 3.) Respond to park watch member incident reports and/or communication.
- 4.) Set up and run the training sessions

Training Session:

Every volunteer is required to attend a training session prior to working their first shift. The Lane County Parks Division or designated representative will facilitate the training session. Lane County and the Mount Pisgah Arboretum will coordinate together on the date and time for each training session.

Cell Phone Protocol:

Personal cell phones will be used for contacting other volunteers in the parking areas and the staff on site. Contact the Parks Division to inform them of any immediate issues or anything of a maintenance or facility concern. If there is an emergency, refer to the list of contacts under the Emergency Procedures for the call order. The Parks Division number is 541-682-2000 (M-F). On the weekends, contact a Parks Leadworker listed in the below phone list. For a non-emergency call that requires a police response but is not life-threatening contact either the State Police or the Sheriff’s Office. For life-threatening emergencies contact emergency services at 911.

Safety Procedures:

For safety reasons, volunteering in pairs is required for this program. In an emergency situation, this will let one of volunteer make contact for help and the other can stay with the victim or make observations. Another part of being safe is being prepared. It is wise to bring food and water while on shift.

Emergency Procedures:

Safety of the volunteers is the Parks Division top priority. If an emergency situation is too great to handle alone (fire, angry patron, etc.), then the volunteer should not get involved. Volunteers need to find and plan a reasonable escape route before entering any communication or correspondence and get in contact with the proper authorities that can handle the situation.

For non-emergency contacts call the Lane County Parks office.
For all emergencies contact 911, then call the Lane County Parks office.

List of contact people (please call in this order):

- Lane County Parks Office 541-682-2000 (M-F, 9-4)
- HBRA Caretaker Tom LoCascio, 541-954-5463
- On-Call**
- Parks Supervisor: Todd Bowen, 541-954-2567(Weekends)
- Parks Leadworker Ed Lutz, 541-285-8632
- Parks Leadworker Randy Irwin, 541-206-9525
- Parks Manager Brett Henry 971-235-6786
- Parks Sr. Analyst Charlie Conrad, 541-521-6061
- Mt. Pisgah Arboretum Office 541-741-3817 (M-F, 10-4)
- State Police 541-726-2525 (non-emergencies)
- Sheriffs office 541-682-4150 (non-emergencies)

Injury:

Safety is the Parks Division number one concern. Please use good judgment while patrolling. If a situation isn't comfortable and you feel unsafe then remove yourself from the situation. Your safety comes first. If a volunteer is injured while on shift, they need to contact the Parks Division within 24 hours of the injury to fill out the appropriate forms. The Parks Division number is 541-682-2000. **THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING WORTH MORE THAN YOUR SAFETY! IF YOU ARE UNCOMFORTABLE, DO NOT ENGAGE AND CALL FOR HELP**

Have Fun and Thanks for Volunteering for HBRA & Lane County Parks!

NORTH JETTY COMMUNITY MEETING

Lane County Parks is considering taking on the operation of North Jetty Park from the State. We want to hear from neighbors and community members first:

- How do you see the future of North Jetty Park?
- What is currently working well?
- What should change?

Thursday, June 24
6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue
2625 Highway 101





Memorandum Date: May 8, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Public Works, Parks Division

PRESENTED BY: Brett Henry

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: WORK SESSION/ Willamette Confluence Preserve Transfer Questionnaire

I. MOTION

None. Discussion only.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The purpose of this work session is to discuss the status of The Nature Conservancy's ("TNC") 1305-acre Willamette Confluence Preserve and determine if there is support from the Board to submit a non-binding divestment questionnaire that would indicate interest by Lane County to be considered as a future owner of the property.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

In the early 1970's, the community's vision for the Mount Pisgah area was to include nearly 3,500 acres between the Coast Fork and Middle Fork of the Willamette into the Willamette River Greenway. Lane County Planning Director, Howard Buford, convinced Governor Tom McCall to approve using \$1.5 million of Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds to purchase lands in the area to create Mount Pisgah State Park. This land was later turned over to Lane County. The funding at that time allowed for the purchase of 2214 acres now known as Howard Buford Recreation Area (HBRA). Additional land in the area remained in the ownership of the Wildish Land Company ("Wildish").

In November 2006, Wildish approached the Board of County Commissioners with an offer to sell their holdings located on the south side of the Middle Fork. This property possesses important open space and conservation values, including six miles of riverfront along the Middle Fork and Coast Fork of the Willamette.

The Board responded with a letter indicating an interest in beginning a formal acquisition process, and Lane County formed a project team to coordinate the county's role in the process, recognizing that a partnership effort would be required to raise the funds necessary to complete the acquisition.

Subsequently, Lane County entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with TNC to negotiate with Wildish to undertake the necessary steps in the acquisition process which included a real estate appraisal and identifying sources of funds for the acquisition. This process was described in the board packet and approved Board Order from the May 23, 2007 Board meeting.

TNC was successful in negotiating with Wildish for the purchase of 1207 acres of land and obtaining funding from three sources: BPA Wildlife Mitigation Program, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB), and the Doris Duke Foundation. The purchase closed in 2010. In exchange for providing funding, BPA and OWEB hold perpetual conservation easements on the Preserve. Additional adjacent acreage was obtained from other land owners since 2010, bringing the total acreage of the Preserve to 1305 acres.

It should be noted that under TNC ownership, the Preserve is not open to the public for recreation and is restricted to public access through guided tours only. Public use of the Preserve under a future owner would need to be developed in coordination with the holders of the conservation easements (BPA and OWEB) as part of an updated management planning process. The conservation easements indicate that all public use must maintain the defined conservation values of the Preserve.

From the outset, TNC communicated with other partners that their ownership would not be permanent, but would be limited to the habitat restoration phase, which was anticipated to last approximately 10 years. Since 2010, TNC has obtained about \$7 million to fund habitat restoration on the Preserve. In 2018, following the completion of the third phase of major habitat restoration, TNC announced the intention to transfer the Preserve to a permanent owner. In March 2019, TNC released a non-binding questionnaire to solicit information from parties interested in owning and managing the Preserve and perpetuating its conservation values into the future. The questionnaire responses are due on June 15th, 2019.

B. Policy Issues

The May 23rd, 2007 Board Memo noted that acquisition of the Wildish property would be “consistent with a variety of parks and open space plans and policies for Lane County and for the State of Oregon.” Specifically, the Wildish property was identified as a “Potential Open Space Anchor” in the 2003 Rivers to Ridges Open Space Study, which was endorsed by the Lane County Board of Commissioners as well as Eugene, Springfield, and the Willamalane Park District. More recently, the Lane County Parks Master Plan, adopted in December 2018, contains the recommendation to “evaluate options to acquire the Willamette Confluence Preserve (Chapter 5, p. 55).”

The Parks Master Plan identifies six goals which support the long-term Vision and Mission of Lane County Parks. Acquisition of the Willamette Confluence Preserve comports with four of these goals.

Goals:

1. Collaborate – The acquisition and potential development process would engage residents and stakeholders in a coordinated effort to “...expand, enhance, interpret, provide and protect parks, natural areas, trails and recreation opportunities across Lane County.”
2. Connect – The Preserve is located in the center of and vitally important to the 4700 acre area of conserved open space located on the edge of the Eugene-Springfield metro area in the vicinity of Mount Pisgah and the confluence of the Coast and Middle Forks of the Willamette River. The 4700 acres are managed for conservation and recreation values by a set of stakeholders that includes, in addition to Lane County Parks and The Nature Conservancy: Friends of Buford Park and Mt. Pisgah, Mount Pisgah Arboretum, Willamalane Park and Recreation District, and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. Lane County owns the Howard Buford Recreation Area that contains 2,214 acres situated between the southern boundary of the Preserve and the Coast Fork of the Willamette River.
3. Protect resources – Keeping the Preserve in public ownership ensures that the natural areas would be sustained and managed so as to be protected for future generations.
4. Reflect our values – By focusing on the outdoor recreation character of Lane County Parks, opportunities exist to enhance our volunteer stewardship and partner with other agencies to share in the management of the property.

C. Board Goals

Acquiring the Willamette Confluence Preserve would support two strategic priorities. Strategic Priority 2b(4): Vibrant Communities by leveraging the natural environment to enhance the livability of the local community and providing an opportunity to market Lane County Parks as a destination for residents and visitors. Strategic Priority 3b(5): Robust Infrastructure by implementing the Parks Master Plan through completing the long-term vision for the Mount Pisgah area; an acquisition which also fulfills the Master Plan goals.

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

Having the financial and organizational resources to fund and staff the ongoing habitat and recreation management of the Preserve is a major consideration since

Lane County currently lacks sufficient resources to manage its existing parks. Partnerships with the Friends of Buford Parks and Mt. Pisgah (FBP), the Mt. Pisgah Arboretum, and Oregon Parks & Recreation Department (State Parks Division) may assist the County in addressing the ongoing needs. The FBP are pledging stewardship support to assist with the habitat restoration requirements to maintain the conservation values held in the easements. Mt. Pisgah Arboretum is pledging support to provide environmental education and interpretation which is a key element identified in the permitted uses of the BPA Conservation Easement. Oregon State Parks has pledged assistance from their greenway rangers (6-8 FTE) who patrol the Willamette River nearby Glassbar Island. This assistance will reduce illegal trespassing via the river onto the Preserve.

TNC estimates ongoing annual maintenance of \$100,000 in contract costs and 0.5 FTE in personnel costs. Actual ownership costs could be higher, factoring in managing recreational access and the possibility of additional habitat management activities needed to achieve the desired future conditions. TNC will transfer a \$1 million endowment to the new owner of the property. This endowment will meet some, but not all, of the ongoing financial obligations.

E. Health Implications

1. Education – Acquisition of the Willamette Confluence Preserve would expand environmental educational opportunities beyond those currently available on existing park lands.
2. Employment & Livelihood – Adding a significant recreational area adjacent to the metropolitan area would support employment by increasing livability in Lane County and would support the health of Lane County residents by expanding opportunities for active recreation in the Mount Pisgah area.
3. Environmental Quality – The property would need to be managed in accordance with terms of the conservation easements. The habitat restoration was designed to support a natural floodplain and upland habitats that support ecosystem services, such as flood retention and improvement of air and water quality.
4. Parks & Natural Space – The acquisition would add 1305 acres to parks, open spaces, and natural habitats.
5. Transportation – There is a potential transportation benefit if it becomes possible to construct an extension of the existing off-street bike path network from Springfield to Mount Pisgah.

F. Analysis

The 1305 acre Willamette Confluence Preserve borders the entire northern boundary of Howard Buford Recreation Area (see map), and also abuts land owned

by Friends of Buford Park and Mt. Pisgah and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. Dorris Ranch Park and Clearwater Park are two Willamalane Parks located on the opposite bank of the Middle Fork directly to the north.

Conservation easements held by OWEB and BPA are a key element of the short and long-term management of the Preserve. The easements define the conservation values, define the rights of the easement holders, and identify activities that are prohibited under the terms of the easements. The easements identify the Preserve Management Plan as the document that describes how the land owner will preserve, protect, restore, and enhance the conservation values of the Preserve.

The Willamette Confluence Preserve Management Plan was completed in 2012, and was intended to guide conservation actions (including habitat restoration) for a ten year period (2012-2022). The TNC management plan identifies objectives, strategies, and action steps intended to achieve the “Desired Future Conditions” as described in the plan narrative and associated map.

Portions of the preserve were historically used for gravel extraction and support a number of ponds and wetlands. Since 2010, TNC has restored 240 acres of oak woodland and savanna and 630 acres of floodplain habitat by re-connecting ponds and side channels, modifying the side banks of ponds, and replanting substantial acreages with native plants (see fact sheet).

If Lane County Parks takes ownership of the Preserve, a revised management plan must be developed with the easement holders and other stakeholders. The revised management plan will identify the management actions to sustain the preserve’s conservation values. This will primarily involve maintaining the recent habitat restoration investments on a trajectory of ecosystem development and improvement and maintaining the conservation values of existing (non-restored) habitats.

In addition, the revised management plan will be the vehicle for identifying the types of recreational use consistent with maintaining the conservation values and recreational infrastructure allowed by the easement holders. Fortunately, the preserve has an extensive network of service roads and trails for passive recreational access that are compatible with the conservation values.

G. Alternatives/Options

TNC is requiring interested agencies to submit a non-binding questionnaire by June 15, 2019. The purpose of this work session is to begin a conversation with the Board to determine if there is interest in becoming either the owner of this property or a partner agency under two possible scenarios. Parks will return to the Board to seek formal direction prior to the questionnaire deadline. TNC will respond to the submissions by August 15th, and they anticipate making a decision by October 31, 2019. The intention is to close the transfer by December 2020.

Scenario #1 is for Lane County Parks to receive permanent ownership of the 1305 acre Willamette Confluence Preserve. Lane County Parks would thus be responsible for maintaining the conservation values as described in the conservation easements.

Lane County would also be responsible for developing a recreational access element to a revised management plan and to oversee ongoing recreational access in ways that are compatible with the easements and defined conservation values.

Under Scenario #1, Parks would engage a number of other partners to play important roles in meeting the stewardship and recreation management needs. The partners include: Friends of Buford Park, Mount Pisgah Arboretum, OPRD, and to a more limited extent, Willamalane. We believe this scenario would maximize the opportunity for future public benefit that the Preserve provides.

Scenario #2 is for McKenzie River Trust (MRT) to apply for ownership and Lane County would work as a partner and neighboring land owner to MRT in this effort. MRT would manage the Preserve to meet the conservation goals and obligations of the easements, based on their mission as a non-profit land trust. MRT conservation lands directly adjoin three other Lane County Parks and the County has an established working relationship with MRT.

Under this scenario, MRT would be in the lead role of revising the management plan for the Preserve, including future public access for recreation and education purposes. The possible transfer of the property to Lane County in the future could be considered at a later date.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Lane County Parks is recommending continuing to work on the questionnaire while the Board considers the issue.

V. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

The TNC questionnaire is due on June 15, 2019.

VI. FOLLOW-UP

A second work session will be held on June 11th or June 12th.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

TNC Fact Sheet

TNC Management Plan & Appendices (including copies of OWEB and BPA conservation easements)

Board memo from May 23, 2007

Lane County Parks & Open Space Master Plan

**June – October
2019**

**November 2019 -
April 2020**

**May 2020 -
December 2020**

Board Work
Session #2
JUNE 2019

Board Work
Session #3
**NOVEMBER
2019**

Initiate Public
Access &
Maintenance
Plan
MAY 2020

Submit
Divestment
Questionnaire
JUNE 2019

Public
Meeting with
Neighbors
**DECEMBER
2019**

Planning
Workshops with
Stakeholders &
Neighbors
**JUNE –
SEPTEMBER
2020**

Meet with
Easement
Holders
**JULY/AUGUST
2019**

Management
Plan
Submitted to
Easement
Holders
MARCH 2020

Board Order
for Property
Transfer
**OCTOBER
2020**

TNC Decision
**OCTOBER
2019**

Follow-up
Community
Meeting
APRIL 2020

Close
Transfer of
Property
**DECEMBER
2020**





June 7, 2019

Derek Johnson
The Nature Conservancy
821 SE 14th Avenue
Portland, OR 97214-2537

Since our founding in 1989, the Friends' highest goal has been the acquisition, restoration and future stewardship of the Willamette Confluence Preserve, a goal chosen to advance our mission to "*protect and enhance native ecosystems and compatible recreation in the Mt. Pisgah area.*"

Chris Orsinger
Executive Director

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Since then, the Friends fostered a positive working relationship with the Wildish family, rallied public support and advocated for inter-agency collaboration to accomplish the acquisition and restoration of these riverfront lands to Lane County, ODFW, OWEB, Bonneville Power Administration and other relevant agencies. Since 2006, the Friends worked closely with The Nature Conservancy (TNC), which has done an outstanding job negotiating and securing funding for this complex acquisition and subsequently implementing floodplain and restoration projects on the Preserve. We have been pleased to assist TNC with restoration and invasive control on the Preserve and to collaborate on the restoration of the 200-acre Lower-Coast Fork/Turtle Flats phase of floodplain restoration.

Consistent with our mission, board direction, and our own long term vision, the Friends offer to perform a primary role in the stewardship of the WCP in partnership with Lane County. We have implemented significant restoration projects that have enhanced 250 floodplain acres and 400 acres of native prairie, oak savanna and oak woodlands in the Mt. Pisgah area. This area is in our collective blood.

Since 2015, our annual budget has averaged \$1,000,000; we currently employ 11 staff (approximately 10 FTE). Our stewardship field staff has deep experience in restoration project planning and implementation, control of invasive plants using a range of methods, and recreation management. Our staff know the Preserve, having worked under contract for TNC since 2011, and since 2007 with approval of the Wildish family.

The Friends also operate a native plant nursery that produces over 100 native plant species. From our stewardship field office, also located at our nursery, we can efficiently deploy staff and equipment to the adjacent Preserver to accomplish stewardship tasks.

All field staff regularly supervise our more than 500 volunteers who contribute 10,000 to 12,000 hours annually (equivalent to 5 to 6 FTE of professional services and manual labor).

If Lane County becomes the next owner of the WCP, the Friends pledge to work in collaboration with Lane County and Mount Pisgah Arboretum to use available resources to expand our partnership's capacity to deliver stewardship services, manage public access in a manner that protects the conservation values, and offer nature education opportunities. Further, we will collaborate to seek monetary gifts from individuals, grants from foundations and government agencies, and in-kind contributions of volunteer time to help steward the WCP and realize our shared vision of clean rivers, healthy floodplains, and abundant salmon for our children.

Sincerely,

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Chris Orsinger
Executive Director


Paul Hoobyar
Board President

Our mission is to protect and enhance native ecosystems and compatible recreation in the Mt. Pisgah area.



June 6th, 2019

Derek Johnson
The Nature Conservancy
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RE: Letter of Support for Lane County ownership of the Willamette Confluence Preserve

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Mount Pisgah Arboretum supports Lane County's proposal to own the Willamette Confluence Preserve, and is committed to helping to care for this amazing natural area, and to educate people about its ecology. We have partnered with Lane County since the 1970s to enhance and sustain habitats, construct and maintain trails, manage visitor impacts, and provide nature education at Lane County's Howard Buford Recreation Area (HBRA). For the past thirty years this partnership has included regular collaboration with the Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah as they have worked to restore and preserve native habitats, and support appropriate recreation outside the Arboretum's 209-acre lease within HBRA, and in the greater Mt Pisgah area.

The Arboretum's mission is to engage people with nature through interactive learning and stewardship. Our annual operating and capital budgets total over \$700,000 and we employ 8.5 FTE. As a nonprofit, the Arboretum can help to raise private funds to support management of the Preserve and to build a long-term stewardship endowment. We have decades of experience, staff and volunteer resources, and equipment to help support habitat and trail projects as resources are available, but we believe our most significant partnership contribution will be in providing nature education and interpretation.

Both the BPA and the OWEB conservation easements identify education as a permitted use on the Preserve. For more than 40 years, the Arboretum has provided some of Lane County's most effective nature education programs for all ages, and we're currently creating a series of engaging interpretive exhibits aimed at teaching all our visitors about the value and complexity of Southern Willamette Valley ecology. Drawing on our expertise, and based on available resources, Mount Pisgah Arboretum pledges to assist in preparation and ongoing implementation of an environmental education and interpretation plan as part of a Willamette Confluence Preserve partnership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim King", written over a white background.

Tim King
Board President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad van Appel", written over a white background.

Brad van Appel
Executive Director

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May 20, 2019

Lane County
Board of Commissioners
125 East 8th Avenue Eugene,
OR 97401

RE: Stewardship of the Willamette Confluence Preserve

Dear Commissioners,

As a co-member of the Rivers to Ridges (R2R) Partnership, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) strongly support Lane County Parks in pursuing stewardship of the Willamette Confluence Preserve (WCP) from The Nature Conservancy.

The Willamette Confluence Preserve is one of the most important conservation initiatives described in the Rivers to Ridges Vision and contributes significantly to the system of partner-protected lands in this area. This large parcel would significantly increase the ecological and recreational values of the Howard Buford Recreation Area and add to the variety of recreation opportunities in the area. In addition to the other publicly owned land in the area, OPRD owns and manages two adjacent parcels (Pisgah Landing and Log Jam Access) and has an interest in continuing to collaborate with whoever becomes the new steward of the WCP.

OPRD understands the many resources it would take to manage this additional parcel, and in the dialogue of being good partners and stakeholders, we would offer support during the process of transition. Specifically, OPRD would be able to provide assistance and monitoring of the WCP by patrolling the Willamette River with our Greenway Rangers. This is important since that area is a popular recreational waterway and there is limited access throughout the adjacent boundaries.

OPRD is looking forward to continuing our relationship with our recreational partners and forging positive impacts that benefit the community.

Sincerely,

Sarah Steele
Willamette Valley District Manager
Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
8801 Buena Vista Road, Albany, OR 97321
503-569-2311

CC:

Trevor Taylor, Stewardship Section Manager
Ross Kihs, Valley Region Manager
Joey Martinez, Southern Willamette Park Manager



June 7, 2019

Lane County Board of Commissioners
Public Service Building
125 East 8th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401

RE: Letter of support, Willamette Confluence acquisition

Dear Commissioners,

On behalf of the Board and staff of McKenzie River Trust, I respectfully submit these comments as a supplement to the packet of information provided to you by Lane County Parks staff regarding your consideration of the County's possible acquisition of the Willamette Confluence Property. I appreciated the opportunity to speak with you at the May 22 work session, and look forward to working with Lane County Parks staff and partners to ensure that the Willamette Confluence continues to provide great public benefit as a natural area in the coming years.

We support Lane County's application to The Nature Conservancy for consideration as the future owner of the Willamette Confluence. With a long list of partner organizations ready to collaborate in the conservation and management of the site, we are confident that the Confluence will indeed be something that residents and visitors will cherish for decades, long after all of us have passed. We agree with the broad recognition that this site should be managed as a natural area, for the health of native plants, fish, and wildlife and the dynamic, connected river floodplain that defines the area. Having such an ecologically rich, hydrologically active site located between an expanding urban area and a heavily used recreational park provides tremendous opportunity and challenge.

We have been encouraged in our work in other natural areas with Lane County Parks staff. The recently adopted Lane County Parks and Open Space Management Plan seems to provide an opportunity for a shift in parks management toward greater investment of resources in natural areas and native habitat management. We encourage you to work diligently toward new mechanisms to adequately fund parks and natural areas conservation and appreciate your intention to convene a parks funding working group to that end.

At the same time, we encourage you to foster a new culture of river health that integrates across county programs, from Parks to Land Use, Planning, and Public Health. The interest in riverfront development downstream of the Willamette Confluence presents both threats and opportunities for river health and public appreciation of the many benefits provided by undeveloped, connected floodplains. Population growth and the impacts of climate change are putting increasing pressure on rivers and floodplains just as we are beginning to appreciate the mechanisms that ensure clean water, flood risk attenuation, and habitat. In that sense the Willamette Confluence presents a tremendous opportunity for all of us to learn how to live well, close to rivers.

Thankfully, "all of us" includes a broad array of partner organizations and members of the public who share that commitment to a healthy Willamette River. We look forward to doing our part in that work.

Best wishes,

Joe Moll
Executive Director

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Transfer of the Willamette Confluence Preserve: Questionnaire for Interested Conservation Owners/Managers

In 2008, The Nature Conservancy was asked by key local partners to assist with acquiring the Wildish lands now referred to as the Willamette Confluence Preserve by acquiring the property and leading the major restoration phase. As a condition of public funding at the time of acquisition, The Nature Conservancy conveyed perpetual conservation easements over the property to the Bonneville Power Administration and the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board to ensure the property's conservation values would be protected over the long term. Since the earliest stages of this project, the Conservancy has planned to hold fee title and manage the property for ten to fifteen years to complete the major floodplain restoration projects.

Now that the restoration is complete, the Conservancy wishes to explore the transfer of the property to a public agency or other appropriate conservation owner who possesses the vision, the will and the adequate capacity to manage the property and its values into the future. This questionnaire is intended to solicit information from parties interested in this opportunity. This questionnaire is not intended to be the sole data point from which a decision is made. While this process is intended to provide fairness, transparency and consistency, we envision follow up conversations with credible and interested parties to work through various details.

Timeline and Process

A pdf of the completed questionnaire must be returned via email to Derek Johnson at (djohnson@tnc.org) by June 15th. A committee made up of at least TNC, OWEB, BPA, ODFW and Tribal representatives will review submissions and respond to all parties within 60 days. TNC desires to make a decision by October 31, 2019 and to close the transfer no later than December 2020.

Non-Binding Intent

By submitting this questionnaire, interested parties and TNC are not entering into a binding agreement, nor is TNC soliciting offers for purchasing the property. This questionnaire is merely intended to solicit information from interested parties. No commitments are being made or

implied through any submission or response to submissions.

Background

The Willamette Confluence project is one of the largest floodplain restoration projects on the Willamette River, with the additional benefit of being located at the core of 5,000 acres of conservation lands in a dynamic confluence area. The property includes approximately 500 acres of floodplain forest habitat bordering the lower six miles of the Middle Fork and the lower 0.5 miles of the Coast Fork, and approximately 800 acres upland oak savanna and mixed oak, maple, conifer woodlands. Although portions of the property have been significantly altered, an intact floodplain forest remains, which is a limited feature throughout most of the low-gradient portions of the Willamette Basin and an important habitat component for salmon.

Since the Conservancy acquired the Willamette Confluence property in 2010, restoration design and construction has been proceeding efficiently. All restoration work is scheduled to be completed by March 2019 with some maintenance and stewardship activities continuing through the calendar year.

Milestones include:

- In 2014-2015, the 130-acre Pudding Ponds project was completed, creating perennial off-channel habitat. In 2014, TNC also conducted upland forestry restoration to enhance 240 acres of oak savanna and woodlands.
- In 2016-2017, restoration was completed at Coast Fork/Middle Fork Confluence area on adjacent lands owned by TNC, Friends of Buford Park and Oregon Parks and Recreation enhancing 174 acres of floodplain habitat (or: more off-channel habitat?).
- In 2017-2018 restoration was completed on 330 acres of the Lower Middle Fork.

Together these projects moved over 450,000 cubic yards of material to allow for improved riverine processes and connected, complex floodplains habitats. By spring 2019, more than 500,000 trees and shrubs and several tons of seed representing more than 125 native species will have been planted into the floodplain. All these projects benefit water quality, reduce flooding downstream, and improve habitat for native fish and wildlife species.

The Nature Conservancy is now ready to explore divestment of the property. We seek a conservation-driven agency or organization that can own the property and manage it for its conservation and other values for the long-term. TNC is open to creative collaborations ideas, such as where one organization owns the property and another organization takes responsibility for long-term management. In this latter case, the questionnaire must demonstrate the specific roles and responsibilities of each organization to ensure that the conservation values of the site are effectively managed.

Reference Documents

1. BPA conservation easement
2. OWEB conservation easement
3. Conservation Easement Baseline Documentation Report for the OWEB conservation easement
4. Willamette Confluence Preserve Management Plan including the Fire Management Plan Appendix
5. Archeological survey
6. 2-page fact sheet
7. Maps
 - a. Context map.
 - b. Habitat maps.
 - c. Project areas map.

Infrastructure/Access map.

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Organizational Fit

- 1) What are you proposing for the ownership and management governing structure of Willamette Confluence Preserve (WCP)? Lane County Parks (COUNTY) is proposing to own the property and co-manage with the Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah (FRIENDS) and the Mount Pisgah Arboretum (ARBORETUM). The COUNTY has current agreements with both the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM that will be reviewed and updated as appropriate if TNC selects the COUNTY to be the recipient of the Willamette Confluence Preserve.

Who will be the legal owner? Lane County Parks

2) Why is this organization the right organization to own and manage the WCP?

Lane County Parks (COUNTY) is a public agency that was established in 1953 as the Lane County Parks and Recreation Commission. This Commission consisted of 11 members that actively acquired park property and by 1960 the park system totaled 25 parks with nearly 1,300 acres procured for public use through donation, designation by County Commissioners, tax foreclosures, and licenses from federal agencies. Today, the COUNTY manages 68 parks and natural areas composed of nearly 4,400 acres. For over 60 years the COUNTY has managed, operated, and maintained a wide variety of parks. Some parks are managed and operated for active recreation like Harbor Vista and Richardson, which are public campgrounds; while others are managed and operated as passive recreation sites such as Kinney Park and the Howard Buford Recreation Area.

The Parks Division has a Natural Areas Program operated by Mr. Ed Alverson who is the Natural Areas Coordinator with nearly three years of experience at Lane County. More broadly Mr. Alverson has experience studying and preserving landscapes in the Willamette Valley with his time at The Nature Conservancy. Through Lane County Park's Natural Areas Program, partnerships were established with the following public and private non-profit agencies: the McKenzie River Trust, the McKenzie Watershed Council, the Coast Fork Watershed Council, the Middle Fork Watershed Council, the Long Tom Watershed Council, the Siuslaw Watershed Council, The Nature Conservancy, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Army Corps of Engineers, Oregon Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, Oregon Parks & Recreation Department (State Parks), City of Eugene Parks, City of Florence Parks, and the Willamalane Parks and Recreation District. Also, the COUNTY is actively involved in the greater Rivers to Ridges Partnership which is a network of stakeholders made up of public, private, and non-profit agencies that work together for a common vision to plan for future open space connections within the greater Eugene/Springfield Metropolitan Area.

As a public agency, the COUNTY is subject to public oversight through the Parks Advisory Committee who advises the County Commissioners on parks needs of County residents and visitors regarding County park facilities. This oversight ensures that the public is involved in the process. In 2018, after a rigorous public process, the Howard Buford Recreation Area Habitat Management Plan (HMP) was adopted into the County's Comprehensive Plan. This planning document provides high priority goals and strategies for collaborative partnerships and lays out a conservation vision with specific stewardship management goals in collaboration with our two key stewardship stakeholder groups – the FRIENDS & the ARBORETUM. More specifically, the HMP identified nine focal conservation targets which include: upland prairie and savanna, oak woodland, wetland prairie, and Willamette riparian systems and associated floodplain, all of which are found at the Willamette Confluence Preserve (PRESERVE).

The original vision of the community and later Lane County Planning Director Howard Buford was to include the 3,500 acres between the Coast Fork and Middle Fork of the Willamette into the Willamette River Greenway. In 1982, the State of Oregon transferred to Lane County the 2,214 acres of property now known as the Howard Buford Recreation Area (HBRA).

Currently, the COUNTY owns and manages the HBRA in collaboration with the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM who provide stewardship and educational outreach of the site through Cooperation Agreements. HBRA directly borders the PRESERVE to the south towards the summit of Mt. Pisgah and the two properties share a common boundary of over 4 miles. As owner of HBRA, the COUNTY along with the FRIENDS and ARBORETUM understand the complexity of the local habitat dynamics which consist of a variety of landscapes managed in seven identified Stewardship Zones (SZ) identified in the HBRA HMP. These SZs are actively managed to enhance and restore native habitat to improve the diversity of wildlife and natural resource value of the site. Four of these SZs border the two properties (North Bottomlands, Western Uplands, Northern Forest, and the Eastern Uplands). The COUNTY is actively collaborating with TNC in restoration activities like prescribed wildfire in areas like the Springbox Management Unit which shares a common management plan with the “Stand By Me Meadow,” a portion of the PRESERVE directly southeast of the “Seavey Knob” area within the PRESERVE. Coordination between TNC, the COUNTY, and the FRIENDS has allowed compatible habitat management of the PRESERVE land that interfaces with the four SZs.

The value of the PRESERVE is evident as it is strategically located where two forks of the Willamette River merge to provide a rare natural floodplain abounding in potential as habitat for juvenile fishes, clean water for downstream communities, and a future connection for people to learn about the natural world in their own “backyard”. The COUNTY’s historical knowledge and familiarity of the site, existing staffing expertise, strong partnerships with conservation-minded organizations (like TNC, the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM), and relationships fostered with the surrounding land owners and local community further solidifies our position as the right organization to carry forward the important legacy and responsibility of owning and managing the PRESERVE.

- 3) How will your ownership/management ensure the longevity of the restoration outcomes and benefits at WCP?

Communication is the key. Immediately following submittal of the questionnaire and prior to the close of the transfer, the COUNTY will engage with TNC who conducted a massive floodplain restoration effort as part of their Willamette Confluence Preserve Management Plan. OWEB recently stated in a conversation via e-mail with the McKenzie River Trust that they would defer to TNC to record and submit the baseline habitat inventory documentation. This inventory will capture the expectation of site stewardship for the COUNTY and assist with informing the creation of an updated Management Plan for Lane County Parks to develop in coordination with the Easement Holders. The Management Plan will identify the management actions required to sustain the PRESERVE’S conservation values into perpetuity. This will

primarily involve maintaining the recent habitat restoration investments on a trajectory of ecosystem development and improvement to maintain the conservation values of the existing or non-restored habitats. In addition, the updated Management Plan will be the vehicle for identifying the types of recreational use consistent with maintaining the conservation values and recreational infrastructure allowed by the Easement Holders. Fortunately, the PRESERVE has an extensive network of service roads and maintenance routes mapped by TNC that may be considered for passive recreational access if compatible with the conservation values. The desired future condition of the property will be determined over the 20-year lifespan of the updated Management Plan in order to plan and dedicate the appropriate resources to steward the restored habitats of the PRESERVE.

The COUNTY will utilize the FRIENDS' stewardship expertise and capacity to manage the restored habitats on the PRESERVE (see Friends attached letter of support). Since 1989, the FRIENDS funded and implemented numerous floodplain and upland habitat restoration projects on HBRA and adjacent conservation and public lands.

The FRIENDS also assisted TNC with restoration tasks, vegetation management, and invasive control on the WCP. Further, in 2015, the FRIENDS acquired the 62-acre Turtle Flats conservation property at the confluence, which is protected by a BPA conservation easement. The FRIENDS then collaborated with TNC on the restoration design and implementation of the 200-acre "Lower-Coast Fork/Turtle Flats" phase 2 of the wider floodplain restoration effort on the PRESERVE. In total, the FRIENDS have implemented significant restoration projects to enhance 250 floodplain acres and 400 acres of native prairie, oak savanna, and oak woodlands in the Mt. Pisgah area.

Consistent with their vision, mission, and board directive, the FRIENDS offer to perform a primary role in the stewardship of habitats on PRESERVE in partnership with COUNTY and the ARBORETUM. In their attached letter of support, the FRIENDS stated:

If Lane County becomes the next owner of the WCP, the Friends pledge to work in collaboration with Lane County and Mount Pisgah Arboretum to expand our partnership's capacity to deliver stewardship services, manage public access in a manner that protects the conservation values, and offer nature education opportunities. Further, we will collaborate to seek monetary gifts from individuals, grants from foundations and government agencies, and in-kind contributions of volunteer time to help steward the WCP and realize our shared vision of clean rivers, healthy floodplains, and abundant salmon for our children.

- 4) How do you intend to uphold the legal requirements of the two conservation easements on the Willamette Confluence Preserve held by BPA and OWEB?

Prior to the property transfer, the COUNTY will confer with the Easement Holders prior to developing an updated Management Plan. We will confirm that proposed public access and recreation activities in an updated Management Plan will not harm the conservation values and

will support recent habitat restoration investments by TNC. The COUNTY will seek to further clarify the habitat maintenance requirements (e.g., native planting and invasive species control) referenced in the Invasive Species Management Plan submitted by TNC, which is essential to determining the stewardship commitment we outline in an updated Management Plan.

Following the easement holders' approval of an updated Management Plan and prior to closing on the property, the COUNTY will develop a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the FRIENDS, the ARBORETUM and OPRD, and other partner agencies willing to contribute resources to define roles and responsibilities in the stewardship of the PRESERVE. The COUNTY will clarify with easement holders their requirements and schedule for monitoring and reporting to ensure that the COUNTY is complying with the easements. In short, the COUNTY will manage the property to protect and enhance the conservation value and support the "Desired Future Conditions" in the updated Management Plan.

From the outset, the COUNTY intends on restricting the impact from visitors who illegally trespass by initiating a public information campaign with assistance from the County Public Information Officer and echoed through communication channels managed by the FRIENDS and ARBORETUM. It will be made clear that the PRESERVE, while similar to HBRA in proximity and shared, contiguous habitats, is and will be managed very differently as a nature preserve bound by the conservation easements. Initially, public access via HBRA will be limited to authorized guided walking tours. The COUNTY has no plans to construct infrastructure for parking and restrooms within the boundaries of the PRESERVE. If infrastructure is needed to manage future public access to the preserve, it will be located on adjacent County property within the HBRA. A public access plan will be included in the updated Management Plan. The COUNTY will dedicate staff to educate the public within HBRA to reduce illegal trespassing through voluntary compliance and by providing a site presence and regular maintenance and upkeep of signage at the gates and other points of entry.

Long-term Ownership

- 5) What is your vision? Does your organization intend to hold this property in perpetuity?

Note: If you wish to consider a divestment of the property in the future, TNC, OWEB, ODFW and BPA must approve of the transfer.

An attached Projected Timeline from submittal of the questionnaire through the close of the transfer outlines our plan of obtaining feedback from first the Easement Holders, then local neighbors, followed by planning workshops with identified stakeholders within the greater community which includes the Eugene/Springfield Metro area.

The COUNTY along with FRIENDS and ARBORETUM envision managing the PRESERVE differently than HBRA. Although we recognize that there are similarities between the

two properties, the PRESERVE will contain its own identity as a nature preserve complete with distinct management objectives and desired outcomes. As mentioned earlier, at the onset, public access will be restricted to guided tours approved by Parks staff and environmental education related activities such as the ARBORETUM's school field trip program, and guided nature walks for adults and families, as well as collaborations with local colleges and universities. Another activity we might consider is a fishing derby involving disadvantaged youth. This will allow children who are not regularly exposed to the outdoors to gain an appreciation of nature and learn how to fish. We would identify a pond and limit registration to keep the event at a manageable level. Consultation with the easement holders would occur prior to the planning of any increase in public access or recreation activities.

Lane County intends to hold this property in perpetuity.

- 6) If you do not intend to hold and/or manage the property over the long-term, and foresee a different long-term owner, explain the long-term holder's role today including the intended scope of its responsibilities and commitments.

Lane County intends to hold this property in perpetuity.

Evidence of Organizational Eligibility

- 7) Attach evidence of the organization's conservation mission that includes acquisition of property for conservation purposes (e.g., applicable section of corporate charter, bi-laws, statute, or board resolution).

The recently adopted Parks System Master Plan (2018) contains a Vision and Mission that are the guiding statements reflected in our core Goals that direct the planning and management of Lane County Parks. The Vision states that "our thriving parks and natural areas connect us to our rivers, reservoirs, and natural features, showcase our heritage and natural diversity, and protect resources for future generations". Our Mission states that we "responsibly manage, sustain, and enhance our parks and natural resources through partnership, stewardship, and quality customer service."

In a memo dated May 23, 2007 to the Lane County Board of Commissioners, it was noted that acquisition of the Wildish property would be "consistent with a variety of parks and open space plans and policies for Lane County and for the State of Oregon." Specifically, the Wildish property was identified as a "Potential Open Space Anchor" in the 2003 Rivers to Ridges Open Space Study, which was endorsed by the Lane County Board of Commissioners as well as Eugene, Springfield, and the Willamalane Park District. More recently, the Lane County Parks Master Plan, adopted in December 2018, contains the recommendation to "evaluate options to acquire

the Willamette Confluence Preserve (Chapter 5, p. 55).” The Parks Master Plan identifies six goals which support the long-term Vision and Mission of Lane County Parks. Acquisition of the Willamette Confluence Preserve comports with four of these goals.

Goals:

1. Collaborate – The acquisition and potential development process would engage residents and stakeholders in a coordinated effort to “...expand, enhance, interpret, provide and protect parks, natural areas, trails and recreation opportunities across Lane County.”
2. Connect – The Preserve is located in the center of and vitally important to the 4700 acre area of conserved open space located on the edge of the Eugene-Springfield metro area in the vicinity of Mount Pisgah and the confluence of the Coast and Middle Forks of the Willamette River. The 4700 acres are managed for conservation and recreation values by a set of stakeholders that includes, in addition to Lane County Parks and The Nature Conservancy: the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM, Willamalane Park and Recreation District, and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. Lane County owns the Howard Buford Recreation Area that contains 2,214 acres situated between the southern boundary of the Preserve and the Coast Fork of the Willamette River.
3. Protect resources – Keeping the Preserve in public ownership ensures that the natural areas would be sustained and managed so as to be protected for future generations.
4. Reflect our values – By focusing on the outdoor recreation character of Lane County Parks, opportunities exist to enhance our volunteer stewardship and partner with other agencies to share in the management of the property.

The mission of ARBORETUM is to: “Engage people with nature through interactive learning and stewardship.” The FRIENDS’ mission is to “protect and enhance native ecosystems and compatible recreation in the Mt. Pisgah area.” Acquisition, restoration and stewardship of the former Wildish lands have been a top goal of the FRIENDS since their founding in 1989, and they worked diligently over two decades to foster a positive relationship with the Wildish family and invited The Nature Conservancy into the acquisition collaboration in 2006. The FRIENDS have worked as a contractor for TNC during the restoration phase, providing vegetation management services deployed from the Friends stewardship campus located at its native plant nursery adjacent to the PRESERVE.

- 8) Please provide documentation which summarizes your existing financial position. Examples include: a copy of the organization's year-end-budget-to-actual-outcomes report for most recent fiscal year; the summary of the organization's most recent annual financial audit or review; and balance statements for the organization's existing stewardship and legal defense funds.

See the following attachments, which includes:

(1) Lane County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report FY 18 (Audit Comments & Government Auditing Standards Section pp. 200-216)

(2) Lane County Parks FY 18 Statement of Revenues & Expenditures

(3) Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah 2017 & 2018 Annual Reports

(4) Mount Pisgah Arboretum 2017 & 2018 Annual Reports

- 9) Is the organization in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, including in good standing with the Oregon Secretary of State?

See Lane County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report FY 18 (Audit Comments & Government Auditing Standards Section pp. 200-216)

- 10) If you are a land trust, is your organization accredited through the Land Trust Accreditation Committee? Does the organization carry Terra Firma insurance for each conservation property and easement in its portfolio? If yes, what level of insurance does the policy provide for each property?

Lane County is a government entity.

The FRIENDS is a 501c3 non-profit organization which owns and manages the 62-acre Turtle Flats, a conservation property protected by a BPA conservation easement.

The Arboretum is a 501c3 non-profit organization which leases and manages 209 acres within Howard Buford Recreation Area.

Management Capacity

Based on eight years of management of the WCP, TNC estimates future land management costs to be approximately \$100,000 in contract costs and approximately 0.5 FTE in personnel costs. This cost estimate includes weed management, mowing, a contract for property security services, maintenance of roads, minor boundary maintenance work such as fencing, a minor trash removal contract, and minor disturbance seeding and planting. This cost estimate does not include such actions as controlled burning, additional restoration or ecological monitoring.

- 11) Funding for operations and maintenance of the property was provided by Bonneville Power Administration (Stewardship Agreement provided). TNC will transfer the balance of these funds to the new property owner. The Stewardship Agreement also covers the Willow Creek Preserve, but only the funds for Willamette Confluence Preserve will be transferred upon conveyance. The sum of this transfer is expected to be approximately \$1,000,000. The use of these funds will be restricted to actions on the site.
- 12) How does your organization plan to complement these funds to sufficiently manage the property? What is your investment strategy for these funds?

As part of our due diligence process, the COUNTY will consider investing part or all of the \$1,000,000 into a stewardship endowment managed by the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF). OCF endowments currently distribute 4.5% of the endowment as income, with other earnings growing the endowment capital. Some funds may be needed for first year operations. The additional funding sources we will consider include:

- After the transfer, the COUNTY will consider designating a percentage of HBRA parking fee revenue for management of habitats and recreation on the PRESERVE. This amount is yet to be determined. From 2015 through 2018, parking fee revenue produced averaged in excess of \$100,000.
- Before the close of the transfer, the COUNTY will collaborate with the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM to raise funds for the habitat management, nature education, and recreation planning compatible with protection of the conservation values on the PRESERVE. Fundraising would take three principal forms:
 1. Grant writing. For example, Lane County will submit a grant to The National Park Service to fund technical assistance for a Management Plan. They will also solicit grants that are project specific for stewardship (i.e. OWEB, NFWF, & Ducks Unlimited).
 2. Private capital campaign: Lane County will collaborate with the FRIENDS

and the ARBORETUM through a public/private partnership to implement a capital campaign associated with the transfer of the property to fund identified management needs and to establish a permanent stewardship endowment. Sources of private donations and individual contributions from members of their organizations will supplement the endowment.

3. Solicit Foundation Grants from donors that donate to wildlife habitat preservation or conservation causes for start-up or short-term investments to seed the endowment.
4. In July of this year Lane County is establishing a Parks Funding Task Force to identify additional sustainable funding sources that can provided funding for parks operations through investment in capital projects and maintenance of existing properties.

Having the financial and organizational resources to fund and staff the ongoing habitat and recreation management of the PRESERVE is a major consideration.

- 13) Describe your organizational capacity to implement long-term O&M tasks. Include any experience in managing conservation properties, and the organization's fiscal capacity such as endowments, stewardship funding, and other long-term funding that will demonstrate the financial capacity to manage property.

The COUNTY currently manages habitats in the HBRA in partnership with the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM. All three agencies are positioned to implement the HBRA Habitat Management Plan.

For FY 19/20 the COUNTY approved an operating budget of \$3.7 Million with 18.8 FTE to manage and operate 68 parks and natural areas that total over 4,364 acres. Our funding and staffing is supplemented by many dedicated volunteer organizations such as the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM who manage habitats in the HBRA in partnership with the COUNTY. All three agencies are positioned to implement the HBRA Habitat Management Plan.

Currently, the COUNTY manages several natural areas that have limited public access. These include: Kinney Park, Blue Mountain, Three Mile Prairie, Clear Lake Dunes, and South Beach. We have owned these properties for over 40 years and currently manage each site for passive recreation and limited access. This is accomplished partially through park design by limiting access points like entrance roads or parking areas or providing the amenities that drawn in outside visitors. Through our Natural

Areas Program our staff partners with fellow stakeholders like the McKenzie River Trust to participate in invasive species removal on properties that share boundaries through volunteer work parties throughout the year. We anticipate the same approach with the PRESERVE where park planning and design can minimize the impact from visitors while still providing community involvement through volunteerism and stakeholder engagement. With several of our partners like the FRIENDS, Willamalane, and OPRD owning land surrounding the PRESERVE and HBRA, there is the potential for future collaboration through cooperative management and invasive species control.

Since 1973, the ARBORETUM has restored and maintained habitats, built and maintained 7 miles of trails, managed and mitigated recreational impacts, and provided quality nature education and interpretation for all ages on its 209-acre site within HBRA. The ARBORETUM's 2019 combined operating and capital budget is \$705,000 and the ARBORETUM has an \$800,000 endowment. The ARBORETUM employs 8.5 FTE, engages 500 volunteers annually, and is supported by 1,700 members.

Since 2010, the FRIENDS have raised and expended over \$6 million to protect, restore and steward habitats. They have successfully implemented floodplain and upland restoration projects and prescriptions on 700 acres owned by Lane County, Oregon Parks & Recreation Dept., Bonneville Power Administration and The Nature Conservancy's Willamette Confluence Preserve.

Since 2015, the FRIENDS annual budget has averaged \$1,000,000. The FRIENDS currently employ 11 staff (approximately 10 FTE). The FRIENDS' stewardship field staff has deep experience in restoration project planning and implementation, control of invasive plants using a range of methods, and recreation management. Their staff know the PRESERVE well, having worked on the land under contract for TNC since 2011, and since 2007 with approval of the Wildish family.

The FRIENDS also operate a native plant nursery on HBRA that produces over 100 native plant species. From its stewardship field office, also located at the nursery, FRIENDS can efficiently deploy staff and equipment to the adjacent PRESERVE to accomplish stewardship tasks.

FRIENDS field staff regularly supervise the more than 500 volunteers annually who contribute between 10,000 to 12,000 hours annually (equivalent to 5 to 6 FTE of professional services and manual labor).

14) Describe any anticipated partnerships that may impact the success of subsequent property management.

Partnerships with the FRIENDS, the ARBORETUM, and Oregon Parks & Recreation Department (State Parks Division) will be crucial for the COUNTY in addressing the ongoing needs.

The FRIENDS desire and offer to serve a lead role in delivering habitat stewardship to maintain the conservation values protected by the easements (See Letter of Support – FRIENDS).

The ARBORETUM is pledging support to provide environmental education and interpretation which is a key element identified in the permitted uses of the BPA and OWEB Conservation Easement (See Letter of Support – ARBORETUM).

Oregon State Parks has pledged assistance from their greenway rangers who patrol the Willamette River and nearby Glassbar Island. This assistance will address illegal camping or other trespass via the river onto the Preserve (see Letter of Support – OPRD),

Additionally, the COUNTY has a collaborative partnership with agencies such as TNC, ODFW, and the Oregon Department of Forestry through the USFWS Partners for Fish & Wildlife and the Willamette Valley Prescribed Fire to pool resources for prescribed burning at HBRA and the PRESERVE. The COUNTY will continue to utilize these resources through the Rivers 2 Ridges Collaborative to assist with funding this important management tool.

During the winter and spring of 2019 the COUNTY hosted three meetings to discuss future ownership and management of the PRESERVE. These meetings were attended by representatives of more than a dozen different organizations including: the Tribes, state and local agencies and nonprofit conservation groups. All expressed interest in supporting the long-term stewardship of these lands, and the COUNTY will continue to explore opportunities for collaboration with these groups.

Community Benefits and Impacts

15) Describe how your organization's ownership will benefit surrounding communities and what the organization will do to achieve these benefits.

A component of the updated Management Plan involves engagement with the surrounding community through workshops with neighborhood meetings. This will continue after the close of the transfer so these relationships are fostered over the long term. A public process involving the PAC, Board of County Commissioners, project partners, and local agencies will guide our continued planning efforts by listening to surrounding communities.

Benefits to Metro Area include:

1. Education – Acquisition of the Willamette Confluence Preserve would expand environmental educational opportunities beyond those currently available on existing park lands.
 2. Employment & Livelihood – Adding a significant recreational area adjacent to the metropolitan area would support employment by increasing livability in Lane County and would support the health of Lane County residents by expanding opportunities for active recreation in the Mount Pisgah area.
 3. Environmental Quality – The property would need to be managed in accordance with terms of the conservation easements. The habitat restoration was designed to support a natural floodplain and upland habitats that support ecosystem services, such as flood retention and improvement of air and water quality.
 4. Parks & Natural Space – The acquisition would add 1305 acres to parks, open spaces, and natural habitats.
 5. Transportation – There is a potential transportation benefit if it becomes possible to construct an extension of the existing off-street bike path network from Springfield to Mount Pisgah.
- 16) Describe how your organization will manage future access to the property including public access and recreation, education and outreach. Include in your response how your organization incorporates diversity, equity and inclusion principles in its operations and actions.

A carefully thought out approach to a phased-in public access plan over the next 20 years will address how and where public access will occur. In consultation with the Easement Holders, public access will remain limited to scheduled property tours and special events like fundraising or environmental education activities over the first year following the transfer of the property. We propose to work with TNC during this time to further refine a public access plan through extensive planning efforts involving partnerships, stakeholders, and the local community through a series of public workshops that communicate the impact that park visitors can have on the conservation values of the Preserve. Prior to the end of June, Parks will apply for a technical assistance grant through The National Park Service's Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance program to guide our planning efforts with project stakeholders and the local community. It is vitally important that recreational access is balanced with an appreciation of the animal and plant communities that must be preserved for their own intrinsic ecological value.

In general, we envision public access will occur via the COUNTY's HBRA, primarily from the park's North Bottomlands stewardship zone. Parking facilities will be on HBRA land. Trailhead and informational kiosks and other visitor facilities would be located in this region of the existing park and will educate future visitors about the important habitats on the PRESERVE. It will also be a location where allowed and prohibited uses of the PRESERVE are clearly explained. Outreach to

visitors can also serve to recruit volunteers or invite public support and charitably contributions for stewardship. The COUNTY, the FRIENDS and the ARBORETUM will coordinate closely to manage access. The updated Management Plan will consider what activities will not impact the conservation values, and may consider daytime hiking, wildlife observation and photography, fishing access in limited areas, and biking on existing roads.

In consultation with the partners, stakeholders, easement holders, and the public, the ARBORETUM would hope to play a leadership role in the creation and on-going implementation of an education and outreach plan to promote public understanding of the value and complexity of PRESERVE ecology.

Include in your response how your organization incorporates diversity, equity and inclusion principles in its operations and actions.

See the attached Diversity and Inclusion document for Lane County Government. In addition to the above County initiatives outlined in the attached Diversity and Inclusion document, the Lane County Parks & Open Space Master Plan has a statement on the inset of the cover page that states: "Lane County Parks are safe, respectful, and inclusive places free of hate and discrimination. All park visitors are welcome."

See the attached Diversity and Inclusion Statement from the FRIENDS.

See the attached Diversity and Inclusion Vision Statement from the ARBORETUM.

This is an excellent opportunity to collaborate with the Tribes to educate the public regarding the Native American culture at the site. This could be incorporated into environmental education activities proposed at the PRESERVE. These programs would educate the public regarding the value of Camas to cultivation practices and as a food source as well as controlled burning and harvesting practices that are compatible with the native ecosystem and promote appreciation of the culture and sustainable practices.

The FRIENDS currently collaborate with Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde to share culturally important native plant materials (produced at its native plant nursery) and to provide educational workshops regarding traditional tribal uses of native plants for food and fiber. The FRIENDS currently manage two small grants from the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund and Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation. The FRIENDS also seek to identify areas on its Turtle Flats property and elsewhere on public lands in the greater Mt. Pisgah area where tribes may have access to sustainably harvest culturally significant native plants.

- 17) Explain how the uses will be managed to ensure they are consistent with the conservation easements and maintain the conservation values of the property.

Communication with Easement Holders throughout the process and after the property transfer is critical to creating an updated Management Plan that follows the guidelines of the Conservation Easements. Any updates made to the Management Plan that pertain to the needs of the public will be compatible with the Conservation Values held in the Conservation Easements. Beyond this timeframe, the Management Plan will be periodically updated at 20-year intervals.

Any planned facilities which include parking, restrooms, and access points will occur on the HBRA property. We expect that dogs and horses will not be allowed on the PRESERVE. Vehicular access will be limited to County staff or partner agencies for stewardship and maintenance of the grounds or for authorized tours of the property. Signs stating the PRESERVE rules will be displayed at strategic locations near access points.

- 18) Describe how future possible connections to Willamalane Park and Recreation District lands and trails, Glenwood, and Lane Community College may enhance and/or impact the property and its conservation outcomes.

Community members have long expressed interest and support for improved bicycle and pedestrian access to HBRA. Three principal connections have been envisioned.

However, these projects have not been planned, engineered or funded.

- A. Lane County's Transportation Improvement Plan identifies a Glenwood bike path that extends to Mt. Pisgah, but the route location is not defined. Also new bike lanes are planned on Seavey Loop Road.
- B. Willamalane Parks and Recreation District's Parks and Open Space Plan envisions a bike/pedestrian bridge across the Middle Fork Willamette to connect Springfield to Mt. Pisgah (see Seavey Knob Bridge Options). The maps indicated a specified location where the Middle Fork Trail crosses the Middle Fork Willamette southward into the PRESERVE at the "Seavey Knob" location (Crossing Option D).
- C. An alternative option involves a river ferry that could better control access from Springfield and offers a historic reminder of the ferry that once operated in this area.
- D. The City of Eugene Parks & Open Space Plan envisions hiking trail

connections via an underpass under Interstate 5 to the confluence area, but how it would connect to Mt. Pisgah has not been decided.

Trail and bike path connection paths may provide public benefits and potential impacts to the conservation values. Therefore, siting, design, allowed uses and construction methods will need to be carefully considered. Mountain biking is not currently allowed on HBRA. Off-trail mountain biking use on the PRESERVE could be very detrimental to the habitat values. A pedestrian bridge from the Middle Fork Trail on the north bank would in effect open the PRESERVE to 24/7 access, including unauthorized camping, unlike HBRA's dawn to dusk hours. In short, trail connections from other park and conservation lands must be carefully considered and approved by the Easement Holders if located in areas protected by the easements.

Questions/Concerns

If you have any questions for The Nature Conservancy or one of the easement holders, please feel free to submit them along with your questionnaire.

If you have organizational restrictions around process or timing, please share them along with your questionnaire.



ARMITAGE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT – PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

Design 1– Minimal Expansion

- 9 Possible RV Sites
- Cost Estimate: \$295,000



What do you like about this option?

What do you not like about this option?

How would you change this option?

Thank you for your feedback on future design options for expanding the current Lane County Armitage Park camping area.



ARMITAGE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT – PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

Design 2 – Intermediate Expansion

- 19 Possible RV Sites
- Cost Estimate: \$620,000



What do you like about this option?

What do you not like about this option?

How would you change this option?

Thank you for your feedback on future design options for expanding the current Lane County Armitage Park camping area.



ARMITAGE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT – PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

Design 3 – Maximum Expansion

- 46 Possible RV Sites
- Cost Estimate: \$1,500,000



What do you like about this option?

What do you not like about this option?

How would you change this option?

Thank you for your feedback on future design options for expanding the current Lane County Armitage Park camping area.



ARMITAGE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT – PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

Overall Design Feedback

Name: _____



Option 1: Minimal Expansion



Option 2: Intermediate Expansion



Option 3: Maximum Expansion

What are your biggest concerns with expanding the campground?

What improvements are you most interested in with expanding the campground?

Other comments / feedback?

Thank you for your feedback on future design options for expanding the current Lane County Armitage Park camping area.



Lane County Public Works Department

TO: Steve Mokrohisky, County Administrator

FROM: Dan Hurley, Public Works Director

DATE: February 22, 2019

RE: Facility Condition Assessment for Lane County Parks

A large portion of our parks system was built in the mid-20th century during a period when County revenues were supported by historically high timber sales. Much of this aging infrastructure is likely reaching the end of its lifecycle and it is imperative that we have a plan in place to strategically reduce our deferred maintenance backlog. Deferred maintenance must be identified and prioritized to make the informed capital investments required to ensure public safety, code compliance and function of our existing infrastructure.

Unfortunately, there is a lack of records or as-builts for many of our facilities. Without these records it is difficult to estimate lifespan to develop a routine and preventative maintenance plan. The renovation or replacement of our capital infrastructure is a top priority as identified in our Master Plan. This plan identified six core goals recommended by the citizens of Lane County. Two distinct strategies under these goals suggest the need to assess our infrastructure. Strategy 5.4 under Goal Number 5: Protect Resources suggests “identify[ing] a deferred maintenance project list and facility lifecycle inventory”. Strategy 6.4 under Goal Number 6: Nurture Our Values recommends “track[ing] deferred maintenance needs by site”.

In an effort to determine an estimated cost for a FCA for our parks system, we contacted Faithful and Gould (F&G) and requested a proposal with a scope of work and fee schedule. Recently, this consultant performed a FCA for the Lane Events Center. Their estimate to perform a comprehensive FCA on all 68 parks was \$168,090.

The following assets were suggested for assessment:

- All Above-ground structures (visitor centers, caretaker premises, restrooms, picnic pavilions, cabins, facility buildings, and kiosks)
- Marinas (includes: floating docks, transient docks, revetments, boat slides, fishing piers, and boat ramps)
- Non-Fleet Owned equipment
- Campgrounds (water, sewer, and electric infrastructure)
- Parking Lots and associated lighting
- Roads within existing parks
- Play equipment
- Trails (hard surface and soft surface)



Lane County Public Works Department

Faithful and Gould (F&G) has developed a recommended life-cycle assessment which considers the following site-specific factors:

- Install Date
- Estimated Useful Life
- Geographic Location
- Utilization Rate
- Cause of Failure
- Energy Conservation

Their recommendations are based on a methodology to analyze the condition of the asset and determine the cause and impact of the deficiency on the operation of the facility. Each asset will receive a Facility Condition Index (FCI) to determine the condition of the asset. Once the assets are scored, (F&G) will develop a capital asset strategy to prioritize their replacement or renovation based on established priority and deficiency categories.

With the recent adoption of our Parks Master Plan the next logical step is to inventory our existing park facilities and assess their condition. A Facility Condition Assessment (FCA) is needed to prioritize our capital investments over the next 20 years. Parks lacks the operating budget for FY 19/20 to fund this service, so I am requesting \$170,000 in one-time funding to hire a professional consultant to complete a Facility Condition Assessment for the Lane County Parks system.

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- Partnership efforts: Rivers to Ridges Implementation Team representation, including attending the May 6th IT meeting, and submitting responses to a questionnaire to prioritize strategies for the Willamette Valley Oak and Prairie Cooperative.
- Facilitated second round of mowing at Zumwalt Park, marking some areas of blooming native prairie wildflowers to be left un-mowed.
- Counted the rings from a cross-section of the old oak tree that was damaged in the Dec. 2016 ice storm (the oak tree was about 25 ft. tall in 1856).
- Developed 2019 work plans and sign-in forms for volunteers at Zumwalt Park and Fall Creek Park.
- Facilitated communications between Parks and Friends of Buford Park around the planned 2019 HBRA East restoration project, which was formally approved as a project by Lane County Parks on May 1st.
- Established new photopoints for monitoring the change in habitat conditions with the upcoming HBRA East restoration project.
- Reviewed the draft HBRA East restoration project site plan and reference table and provided feedback to Friends staff.
- Participated in efforts around the ownership transfer process for the Willamette Confluence Preserve, including drafting the board memo and PowerPoint presentation for the BCC meeting on May 22nd.
- Assisted other parks staff with drafting a joint fill permit for installing rip-rap on an eroding bank along the Siuslaw River at Austa Park.
- Co-led a volunteer work party with McKenzie River Trust, which included work at both MRT's Finn Rock Reach and Lane County's HJ Morton Park.
- Met with Long Tom Watershed Council and Northwest Youth Corps staff at Kinney Park to begin preparations for an upcoming wet prairie restoration project.



Lane County Parks Field Operations Report for May

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of operational highlights for the month.

Coast Zone

- Mowed parks.
- Weedeated park
- Heceta fee machine prep.

Richardson

- Mowed Park
- Working on replacing sewage lift station pumps.
- Repaired campground water leaks.
- Weedeated park
- Replaced toilet in floating restroom.
- Launched floating restroom.
- Opened fee machine.

Armitage

- Mowed park.
- Weedeated park
- Applied for permits for new shop

Perkins

- Mowed Park.
- Weedeated park

Orchard Point

- Mowed park.
- Weedeated park
- Repaired water leak in restroom
- Opened fee machine.

Baker Bay

- Rocked campsites
- Mowed park
- Weedeated park
- Remodleing concession stand.
- Opened fee machine.

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