

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

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| In the Matter of Supporting the |) | |
| Development of a Coordinated Resources |) | RESOLUTION |
| Management Program to Restore and |) | |
| Maintain the Environmental Quality |) | 92-149 |
| of Johnson Creek |) | |

WHEREAS, Johnson Creek flows through the jurisdictions of Multnomah County, Clackamas County, Gresham, Happy Valley, Milwaukie and Portland;

WHEREAS, Johnson Creek has been declared a water quality-limited stream by the State of Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) due to continuing pollution and sedimentation which greatly reduces quality and quantity of human, fish and wildlife habitat and flooding that continues to endanger life and property;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the public to cooperatively develop a basin-wide Resources Management Program to restore and maintain the environmental quality of Johnson Creek including demonstration projects and acquiring necessary permits for projects to mitigate water quality and flooding problems and to enhance habitat;

WHEREAS, the Johnson Creek Corridor Committee (JCCC) has been established with broad representation from the affected cities, counties, local citizenry, neighborhoods, environmental groups, businesses, and State and Federal regulatory and resource agencies;

WHEREAS, the goals of the JCCC are to improve water quality, reduce flooding, improve the human environment and preserve and protect natural resources in the Johnson Creek basin;

WHEREAS, Multnomah County is participating with the jurisdictions of Clackamas County, Gresham, Happy Valley, Milwaukie and Portland in cooperative efforts to address NPDES permit requirements and to enhance the combined recreational opportunities and potential along the Springwater Trail Corridor through joint planning;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Multnomah County supports the JCCC and its stated goals for Johnson Creek by reaffirming membership on the JCCC through the participation of its representatives, Commissioner Sharron Kelley and Parks Director Charlie Ciecko, and will support the development of a coordinated basin-wide Resources Management Program to solve water quality, flooding and natural resource problems on Johnson Creek; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to carry out these goals, Multnomah County, through its designated representatives, will:

- 1) Coordinate with the departments inside as well as other agencies outside its jurisdiction to produce the highest level of communication and avoid duplication of effort;
- 2) Seek to coordinate its NPDES Stormwater permits and planning process where appropriate to achieve the best possible basin-wide results;
- 3) Evaluate the opportunities to cooperatively plan and/or develop recreational facilities, particularly those associated with the Springwater trail Corridor;
- 4) Work cooperatively to identify, evaluate and implement early action demonstration projects and other elements of the basin-wide Resources Management Program to solve Johnson Creek problems and take advantage of opportunities within their jurisdiction; and
- 5) Seek to implement the Resources Management Program and evaluate sole or joint permit application for permits required, evaluate opportunities to secure project funding, provide staff support for projects within its jurisdiction, and promote best management practices.

ADOPTED this 20th day of August, 1992.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON



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