



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 9/15/16  
Agenda Item #: R.2  
Est. Start Time: 9:35 am  
Date Submitted: 8/29/16

**Agenda Title:** **Informational Board Briefing on Johnson Creek Watershed Council**

*Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.*

<b>Requested Meeting Date:</b>	<u>September 15, 2016</u>	<b>Time Needed:</b>	<u>20 minutes</u>
<b>Department:</b>	<u>Non-departmental</u>	<b>Division:</b>	<u>District 3</u>
<b>Contact(s):</b>	<u>Adam Renon and Matthew Lashua</u>		
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<b>Presenter Name(s) &amp; Title(s):</b>	<u>Daniel Newberry, Executive Director (Johnson Creek Watershed Council); Roy Iwai, Water Resources Specialist (Multnomah County Transportation Division Water Quality Program)</u>		

## General Information

### 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

None.

### 2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The Johnson Creek Watershed Council is a non-profit, grassroots community organization dedicated to restoring and enhancing the watershed. Its six paid staff members collaborate with a number of public and private organizations to fulfill their mission. The Council is one of a number of watershed councils in Multnomah County. Others include Columbia Slough, Sandy River, and Tualatin River.

In 2015, the organization produced the new Johnson Creek Watershed Action Plan, with assistance from Multnomah County, among others. The plan identifies priority areas and actions, including fish passage restoration, riparian area revegetation, and removal of invasive species. The Council also provides several opportunities for volunteers to help with Community Science projects such as salmon, mussel, and dragonfly surveys, watershed clean-up events, and tours.

### 3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

The County provides the Watershed Council with \$5000 annually to benefit the stream. In 1999, the County signed a Memorandum of Understanding to collaborate on Johnson Creek salmon recovery with the other local jurisdictions in the watershed. It established an inter-jurisdictional committee as a forum to share technical knowledge and restoration strategies.

**4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.**

N/A

**5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.**

The County's Water Quality Program is charged with coordinating the county-wide response to federal and state clean water regulations. This requires working with public and private partners, including the JCWC, to share information and resources. The Council's governing board includes a representative from Multnomah County in a non-voting capacity, to advise and make recommendations, and ensure effective communication and coordination.

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**Required Signature**

**Elected Official**

**or Department/**

**Agency Director:**

Commissioner Judy Shiprack /s/

8/29/16

**Date:**

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