

April 20, 2011

To the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah County
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Ste. 600
Portland, OR 97214

Dear Board of Commissioners:

Attached are four applications and the APR for a consent agenda item for Vector and Nuisance Control Advisory Committee.

The Board of County Commissioners for Multnomah County, Oregon (Board) established the Vector Control and Enforcement Advisory Committee (Committee) by Ordinance No. 1052, adopted on November 18, 2004. The purpose and duties of the Committee are as follows:

- A. Advise the Board and the Environmental Health Section or Director of Health on matters involving the county vector control program.
- B. Assist in evaluating current and future plans and practices of vector control services, including strategic direction related to public health prevention, surveillance, intervention, education and enforcement.
- C. Provide information regarding the environmental health needs and wants of the community.
- D. Adopt bylaws consistent with Ordinance No. 1052 and all state and federal laws for the operation of the Committee.

These candidates, Linda Caradine, Debbie Porter, Rose Bak, and Dr. W Boone Mora each represent unique perspectives that are valuable to the Committee. Linda is the director of an animal rescue organization and has experience dealing with rodent control and other vector borne concerns related to fleas and ticks. Debbie Porter has experience in animal husbandry from a history of horse ownership and involvement. ;Rose Bak represents the homeless community. Dr W Boone Mora is a former Health Department director with a PhD in Parasitology and adds scientific expertise and public health director experience from North Carolina.

Multnomah County Environmental Health thanks the Board for the support of these candidates who will provide valuable insight into many issues that the Vector Control and Enforcement Division tackles.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thanks,

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