



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST NOTICE OF INTENT

(Revised: 9/23/13)

APPROVED: MULTNOMAH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA # R-1 DATE 2/6/14
MARINA BAKER, ASST BOARD CLERK

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Meeting Date: 2/6/13 14
Agenda Item #: R.1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 1/22/14

Agenda Title: NOTICE OF INTENT for Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grant for
Beaver Creek Fish Passage Project

Note: This APR is for NOI's only. APRs are available for other types of submittals. Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date:	<u>February 6, 2014</u>	Time Needed:	<u>5 minutes</u>
Department:	<u>Community Services</u>	Division:	<u>Land Use and Trans</u>
Contact(s):	<u>Joanna Valencia</u>		
Phone:	<u>503-988-3043</u>	Ext.	<u>29637</u>
Presenter Name(s) & Title(s):	<u>I/O Address: 455/1/116</u> <u>Joanna Valencia, Sr. Transportation Planner and Roy Iwai, Water Quality Specialist</u>		

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Request for retroactive approval to apply for a Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grant for \$599,500 for a fish passage and habitat enhancement project for Beaver Creek. In the event that the Board does not approve this request, the Transportation Planning program will withdraw from consideration.

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 Nature in Neighborhoods capital grant program is intended to complement the regional and local share elements of the 2006 natural areas bond measure by funding projects that protect and enhance natural resources on public lands at a neighborhood level. The intent of the grant is to fund significant capital improvement projects that protect the region's water quality, fish and wildlife habitat and provide the public with greater access to nature.

The Transportation Planning Program has submitted an application for \$599,500 to fund the Beaver Creek Fish Passage and Habitat Project. This is a stream restoration project that enhances key spawning and rearing habitat for federally listed salmonids, steelhead trout and other native species through the removal and replacement of the fish barrier culvert on Cochran Road.

Metro has approximately \$2.25 million available annually, with a total of \$15 million available through the life of the program. The grants require a match of outside funds or in-kind services equivalent to twice the grant request. Multnomah County submitted a letter of interest on November 21, 2013 and the County was invited to apply for this round of funding.

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

Land Use and Transportation Planning is requesting \$599,500 in grant funds. The match requirement will be provided in both Regional Flex Funds being received for another project along the Beaver Creek corridor for the Stark Street culvert and through in-kind services from the Road Fund in Engineering Services and Transportation Planning staff time.

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

This effort is consistent with the County's Comprehensive Framework Plan goal to promote and enhance a balanced transportation system that increases public safety and protects livable communities. This project is also consistent with the County Capital Improvement Plan and Program.

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

The project is included in the County's adopted 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Plan. This document is adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, and as part of the adoption process included a public outreach process.

If grant funds are awarded, the project will include public outreach to stakeholders and affected communities during project development and construction phases.

Grant Application/Notice of Intent

If the request is a Grant Application or Notice of Intent, please answer all of the following in detail:

- **Who is the granting agency?**
Metro
- **Specify grant (matching, reporting and other) requirements and goals.**
There is a requirement for matching of grant funds with outside funding or in-kind services equivalent to twice the grant request. The match requirement will be provided in both Regional Flex Funds being received for another project along the Beaver Creek corridor for the Stark Street culvert and through in-kind services from the Road Fund in Engineering Services and Transportation Planning staff time.
- **Explain grant funding detail – is this a one time only or long term commitment?**
This is one time funding being sought to leverage other Beaver Creek corridor projects that the County is working on. The intent of the grant program is to fund significant capital improvement projects that protect the region's water quality, fish and wildlife habitat and provide the public with greater access to nature.
- **What are the estimated filing timelines?**
The grant application was due and was submitted on January 24, 2014. An initial letter of interest was submitted on November 21, 2013 and the County was invited to apply for this round. Due to the compressed timeline of when the county was notified to submit a formal application and the deadline to submit the application, County staff was unable to go before the Board prior to the submittal date with an NOI.
- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**
Grant awards are approved by the Metro Council and are expected to be awarded in May 2014. If awarded, the County will have up to 36 months from the time grant agreements are signed to complete the project.
- **When the grant expires, what are funding plans?**
The grant funds construction of the project and would complete the project.
- **Is 100% of the central and departmental indirect recovered? If not, please explain why.**
Yes.

Required Signatures

Elected Official or Department/ Agency Director:	<u>Kim Peoples /s/</u>	Date:	<u>January 21, 2014</u>
Budget Analyst:	<u>Ching Hay /s/</u>	Date:	<u>January 18, 2014</u>

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