



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/6/14
Agenda Item #: R.3
Est. Start Time: 9:45 am
Date Submitted: 10/23/14

Agenda Title: **Board Briefing on FY 2015 Budget Note: Recreational Area/Sandy River Delta Livability Improvement Program**

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

Requested Meeting Date: November 6th **Time Needed:** 20 minutes
Department: County Human Services & MCSO **Division:** DCHS & Enforcement
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Mary Li, Manager Senior for the Department of County Human Services and Captain Monte Reiser of the Sheriff's Office

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

A Board briefing based on the Budget Note from the FY15 County Budget and the progress made to date on the Sandy River Delta Outreach and Cleanup activities.

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 Sandy River Delta is a destination recreation area for the Multnomah County community. Hikers, horseback riders, families, and nature enthusiasts regular enjoy what is known as "1000 Acres." Currently, the area is a public health hazard and has experienced uncharacteristically high rates of crimes against people and property. The area is rural and those who camp in the area due to homelessness are far removed from the services available to similar populations who inhabit urban areas in the city centers.

This budget note sets aside \$60,000 in General Fund Contingency dedicated to the restoration and cleanup of the Sandy River Delta and the service needs of the homeless population currently living there. The funding is intended to bring Department of County Human Services (DCHS) and their community partners along with the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) together to achieve two primary goals:

1. Establish stronger outreach relationships with the homeless populations

in the area in order to link them into the service continuum to find a path into a home.

2. Conduct cleanup efforts in order to remove the significant public health and environmental hazards in the recreational site to include the removal of trash piles, human waste, animal carcasses harvested by campers, abandoned homestead sites, and discarded supplies.

This effort will bring dedicated professionals into the area to link individuals with services and improve the recreational value of the delta and the health of our waterways.

This note calls for operational plans, developed in conjunction between DCHS and MCSO, to be reported to the Board in order to request the set-aside funds. The \$60,000 is intended to provide those departments with the ability to conduct multiple cleanups and outreach efforts throughout the year based on need.

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

Up to \$60,000 of General Fund Contingency will be made available for this effort to DCHS and MCSO.

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

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

The team coordinates with many stakeholders (JOIN, DCHS, USFS, River Patrol Unit, ODOT, DSL, and others.)

Required Signature

Elected Official

or Department/

Agency Director:

Sheriff Daniel Staton /s/

10/22/14

Date:

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