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Relief from the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2)

The City will work diligently with the Congressional delegation and the EPA to pursue relief from raw water treatment and storage requirements of the federal Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2) for Portland's Drinking Water System. The City seeks assistance from the delegation in obtaining the same consideration from the federal Environmental Protection Agency as New York City to evaluate alternative compliance options for the uncovered finished drinking water reservoir requirements of the rule, and to permanently improve the methodology of the rule which requires out-of-date methods that do not protect public health.

Energy, Environment, & Water

Improve the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2)

~~The City seeks assistance from the delegation to push the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to complete the LT2 review and revise the rule in two ways. First,~~ ^{three} the scientific basis of the rule should be improved to focus only on Cryptosporidium species that pose the highest known risk to human health. Second, any changes to laboratory methods to detect Cryptosporidium should ensure adequate flexibility to account for Portland's unique, seasonal sourcewater characteristics.

Climate Change

The City supports action by the Obama Administration and Congress to address the causes and impacts of climate change, and the enactment of policies to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases. In 2009 the City of Portland and Multnomah County adopted a Climate Action Plan aimed at the reduction of carbon emissions by 80% in 2050 (compared to 1990 levels) through climate protection initiatives. The City supports action by the Federal Government to reduce emissions of harmful greenhouse gases, increase the production of energy through clean, renewable sources of energy, and a focus on energy efficiency in buildings, vehicles, and manufacturing. The City supports increased investment in mass transit as a means of reducing carbon emissions from vehicles. The City also encourages federal action to provide resources to prepare for climate impacts and meet the urgent need to invest in related infrastructure.

Coal Development and Export

On September 19, 2012, the Portland City Council adopted a policy opposing coal trains traveling through the City of Portland until a comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement is completed. The City supports the development and review of a comprehensive Health Impact Assessment prior to approval of coal export permits by any state, regional or federal agency. The City asks that the Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Land Management and other responsible federal agencies undertake to perform a programmatic, comprehensive and area-wide Environmental Impact Statement, studying the cumulative comprehensive impacts of increased coal production from federal lands, and the five proposed coal export terminals in Oregon and Washington, to allow for fully informed decisions before approving any coal export facility. In addition, The City supports the True Cost of Coal Act introduced by Representative Jim McDermott (WA). The bill would require rail companies to suppress coal dust by covering or spraying freight rail cars carrying coal. The bill also imposes a \$10 per ton tax on all extracted coal to support state and local efforts to address the adverse effects of transporting coal.



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February 13, 2013

TO: Mayor Hales
Commissioner Fritz
Commissioner Fish
Commissioner Novick
Commissioner Saltzman
Auditor Griffin-Valade

FROM: Martha Pellegrino, Director, Office of Government Relations

RE: Update on 2013 Federal Legislative Agenda

Dear Mayor Hales and Commissioners,

Please see below for changes made to the 2013 Legislative Agenda since the Council Work Session held on December 4, 2012.

Agenda Edits since 12/4/12 Council Work Session

- Addition of "Public Safety, Mental Health, and Gun Violence Prevention" item to 2013 Top Federal Priorities Section (p. 2)
- Addition of "Transportation" item to 2013 Top Federal Priorities Section (p. 4)
- Refinement of language in "Emergency Preparedness" item (p. 3)
- Refinement of language for "Improve the Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2)" item (p. 9)
- Addition of "Climate Change" item to "Energy, Environment, and Water" (p. 9)
- Refinement of "Immigration Reform" item (p. 15)

Portland, Oregon
FINANCIAL IMPACT and PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STATEMENT
For Council Action Items

(Deliver original to Financial Planning Division. Retain copy.)

1. Name of Initiator Martha Pellegrino		2. Telephone No. (503)823-4130	3. Bureau/Office/Dept. Government Relations
4a. To be filed (date): February 7, 2013	4b. Calendar (Check One) Regular <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5ths <input type="checkbox"/>		5. Date Submitted to Commissioner's office and FPD Budget Analyst: January 10, 2013
6a. Financial Impact Section: X Financial impact section completed		6b. Public Involvement Section: X Public involvement section completed	

1) Legislation Title:

Accept the Report on the 2013 Federal Legislative Agenda

2) Purpose of the Proposed Legislation:

Accept the Report on the 2013 Federal Legislative Agenda in order to guide the work of the Office of Government Relations in 2013 during the first session of the 113th Congress.

3) Which area(s) of the city are affected by this Council item? (Check all that apply—areas are based on formal neighborhood coalition boundaries)?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City-wide/Regional | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Northeast | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Northwest | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> North |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Northeast | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Southeast | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Southwest | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> East |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central City | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internal City Government Services | | | |

FINANCIAL IMPACT

4) Revenue: Will this legislation generate or reduce current or future revenue coming to the City? If so, by how much? If so, please identify the source.

No fiscal impact.

5) Expense: What are the costs to the City related to this legislation? What is the source of funding for the expense? *(Please include costs in the current fiscal year as well as costs in future years. If the action is related to a grant or contract please include the local contribution or match required. If there is a project estimate, please identify the level of confidence.)*

No fiscal impact.

6) Staffing Requirements:

- **Will any positions be created, eliminated or re-classified in the current year as a result of this legislation?** *(If new positions are created please include whether they will be part-time, full-time, limited term, or permanent positions. If the position is limited term please indicate the end of the term.)*

No.

- **Will positions be created or eliminated in future years as a result of this legislation?**

No.

(Complete the following section only if an amendment to the budget is proposed.)

7) Change in Appropriations *(If the accompanying ordinance amends the budget please reflect the dollar amount to be appropriated by this legislation. Include the appropriate cost elements that are to be loaded by accounting. Indicate "new" in Fund Center column if new center needs to be created. Use additional space if needed.)*

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount

[Proceed to Public Involvement Section — REQUIRED as of July 1, 2011]

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

8) Was public involvement included in the development of this Council item (e.g. ordinance, resolution, or report)? Please check the appropriate box below:

☒ **YES:** Please proceed to Question #9.

☐ **NO:** Please, explain why below; and proceed to Question #10.

9) If “YES,” please answer the following questions:

a) What impacts are anticipated in the community from this proposed Council item?

The City’s 2013 Federal Legislative Agenda is focused on promoting stable and adequate education funding, public safety, economic growth and prosperity, and community livability. Successful implementation of the Federal Legislative Agenda will positively impact Portland residents by improving public safety, economic opportunities, neighborhood livability, and housing opportunities.

b) Which community and business groups, under-represented groups, organizations, external government entities, and other interested parties were involved in this effort, and when and how were they involved?

Mayor Adams and Commissioner Fritz led the City’s effort in 2012 to involve the community in the development of the 2013 Federal Legislative Agenda. At forums held on August 6th and September 27th, 2012, members of the public identified critical issues to their neighborhoods and communities for consideration as part of the City’s federal (and state) legislative agendas. Advance notice of the meeting was sent to a broad range of community members including representatives of neighborhood associations and coalitions, non-profit organizations (including those who serve under-represented communities), business associations and individuals who attended forums that informed development of the City’s 2013 federal legislative agenda. Notice of the forum was posted on the Office of Neighborhood Involvement website, where community members who could not attend were also able to provide online input into the legislative agenda. Additionally, the Office of Government Relations, with support from the Office of Neighborhood Involvement, held an Advocacy 101 Training on January 8, 2013 for community members.

c) How did public involvement shape the outcome of this Council item?

Community members provided the City with input on issues to include in 2013 federal legislative agenda. Issues in the City’s legislative agenda that reflect issues raised by the community include advocacy on environment, housing, transportation, and immigration issues.

d) Who designed and implemented the public involvement related to this Council item?

Commissioner Fritz and Mayor Adams approved the community engagement strategy that was collaboratively designed and implemented by the Office of Neighborhood Involvement and Office of Government Relations.

e) Primary contact for more information on this public involvement process (name, title, phone, email):

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10) Is any future public involvement anticipated or necessary for this Council item? Please describe why or why not.

The City will work with community members and groups as needed on implementation of the federal agenda.


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