

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: *Authorize the acquisition of 0.2 acres of real property at 4407 SE Umatilla Street for \$250,000 to be used for watershed restoration purposes (Ordinance)

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Presenter name: No presentation anticipated, but a BES representative will be present

Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The Johnson Creek Willing Seller Program originated in 1997 to support implementation of the Johnson Creek Restoration Plan. Restoration projects on land acquired through the program increase flood storage, improve fish and wildlife habitat, and restore wetlands.

Acquisition of the subject property located at 4407 SE Umatilla SE Portland will support BES' retrofit of outfall ACZ209, one of the major elements of the Johnson Creek Oxbow Restoration (CIP Project E08406). The 48" diameter outfall is located on the unimproved Umatilla Street public right-of-way, and drains 82-acres of untreated stormwater. The basin is a source of sediment, metals, and other contaminants discharging directly to Johnson Creek. During summer, the outfall discharges clean, cold groundwater from springs and wetlands, which provides an essential refuge for salmon and steelhead that are listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Salmon are so in need of cold water in the summer that they have been documented over 1,500 feet from Johnson Creek into the stormwater pipe draining to the outfall to escape heat.

By purchasing the subject property and connecting to adjacent public property, BES can retrofit the outfall and storm pipes and build a water quality facility to treat stormwater. Within this footprint, BES can daylight the cold-water flows and create a summertime alcove for ESA-listed fish to access this unique and critical source of cold water.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

The purchase price of the property is \$250,000 plus due diligence and closing costs. Site stabilization is estimated at \$60,000. Funds are available in the Sewer System Operating Fund, FY 2018-2019 Budget, Bureau of Environmental Services, WBS Element E11089.

O&M costs are estimated at \$1,000 per year, which will be requested through BES' FY 2020-2025 budget process.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The community was not directly involved in this acquisition as the negotiation process is confidential. Neighbors will be notified upon closing. This acquisition will increase natural area land in the Ardenwald-Johnson Creek neighborhood.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet**Does this action change appropriations?**☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.☒ **NO:** Skip this section

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