

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Bureau of Environmental Services and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to conduct stream habitat surveys in Portland's waterways.

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This is an Intergovernmental Agreement to pay Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to update the 20 year old stream surveys for streams in Portland. This new data is needed to complete the BES Stormwater System Plan, prioritize stormwater and restoration projects, respond to Endangered Species Act requirements, and inform natural area management. This IGA is substantially similar to the IGA approved by Council in 2000 (Ordinance 173440).

Financial and budgetary impacts:

The budget for this IGA has already been approved in the BES FY19 budget, proposed in the FY20 budget and built into the BES 5 year budget. The budget is an estimate. Near-term expenses have a high confidence, while future years have a lower confidence and will depend on the success of efforts in 2019 and 2020. ODFW is the most cost effective means to gather this data and the IGA continues our ongoing partnership with the state agency on fish and wildlife issues.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The stream survey data has been widely used by partnership organizations and neighboring jurisdictions. We have consulted with watershed councils and neighboring jurisdictions who are all very supportive of repeating the survey to better understand current conditions. In addition, the IGA directs ODFW to collect data for some stream segments that are contiguous to stream segments within the City of Portland (approximately 15 miles), and is structured to allow BES to act as a fiscal agent if other partner organizations such as watershed councils, soil and water conservation districts, or other jurisdictions such as Metro, Gresham or Clean Water Services are interested in continuing the surveys beyond the City of Portland boundaries at their expense.

The stream survey protocols require ODFW to secure verbal or written property permissions from each property they will enter. They will not enter private property without permission but many streams are considered property of the state and ODFW may conduct the stream surveys on state owned lands. ODFW ability to manage the permissions of entry was a strong consideration in partnering with ODFW instead of doing it with internal resources or contracting with a private firm.

100% Renewable Goal:

N/A

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

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