

# River Plan / South Reach PSC Work Session May 12, 2020



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# Worksession Overview

## Introduction

## Topical Discussions

- Watershed Health and Resilience
- Recreation
- Riverfront Communities: Urban Design

## Next Steps



# WATERSHED HEALTH AND RESILIENCE



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# Agenda for Watershed Health and Resilience

- Straw poll - Items not identified for further discussion
- Items for further discussion and straw poll
  - Expanded River Setback [A-22]
  - Willing Seller Program [A-23]
  - Enforcement [A-9, A-10 A,B,C]
  - Future of Ross Island [A-25]



# Items Not Identified for Further Discussion

*I move to amend the Proposed Draft to be consistent with:*

- A-26, Ross Island restoration in future Water Resources Development Act package

*I move to affirm the following Proposed Draft items:*

- A-4, Encroachment into the Setback
- A-8, Minimum tree diameter for re/planting
- A-19, Trail signage
- A-24, Site-specific River e application



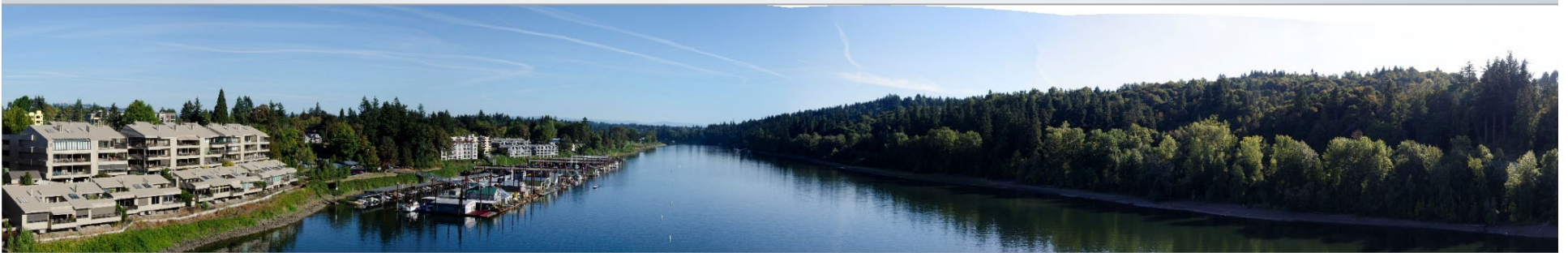
# DISCUSSION



# Expanded River Setback [A-22]

## Existing

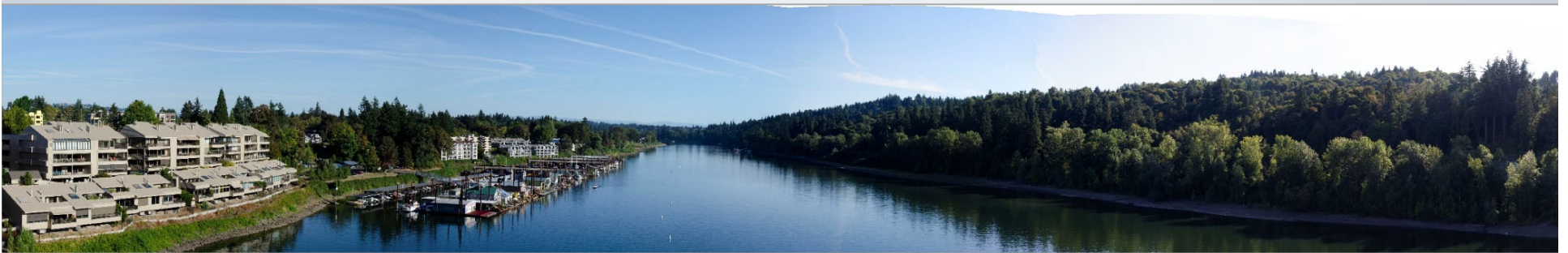
- Greenway setback for riverfront properties
  - 35 tax lots with 50-foot setback (Water Quality Overlay Zone "q overlay")
  - 70 tax lots with 25-foot setback



# Expanded River Setback [A-22]

## Testimony Highlights

- Expand river setback to 100 feet
- Incorporate mechanisms to move development out of the setback





# Expanded River Setback [A-22]

## Staff Recommendation

- Maintain two key Proposed Draft proposals
  - Expand river setback to 50 feet of top of bank
  - Establish riparian buffer area (“beneficial gain” required)
- Apply River Environmental to all areas within 100 feet of top of bank



