# Planning Commission Hearing: Portland Plan Background Reports (what are they, what they say)

January 26, 2010

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

1900 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Room 2500A







## **The Portland Plan**





# **The Portland Plan: Spring 2010 Hearings**

#### January 26

**Overview of Background Reports** 

#### February 9

Periodic Review: What is it?

How does it relate to the Background Reports?

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**Land Supply Assumptions and Maps** 

future hearings tbd...





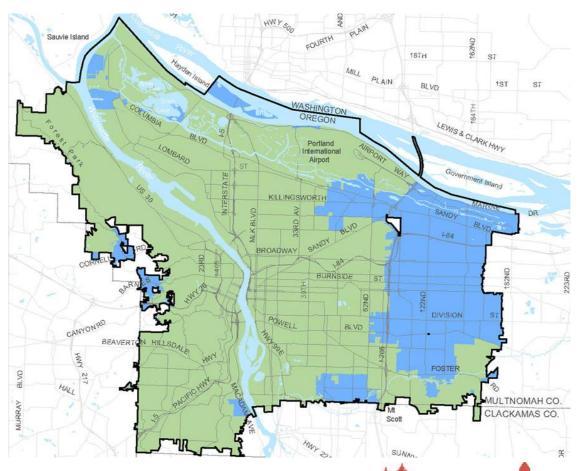


# HALF OF PORTLANDERS WHO LIVE HERE TODAY WERE NOT HERE IN 1980



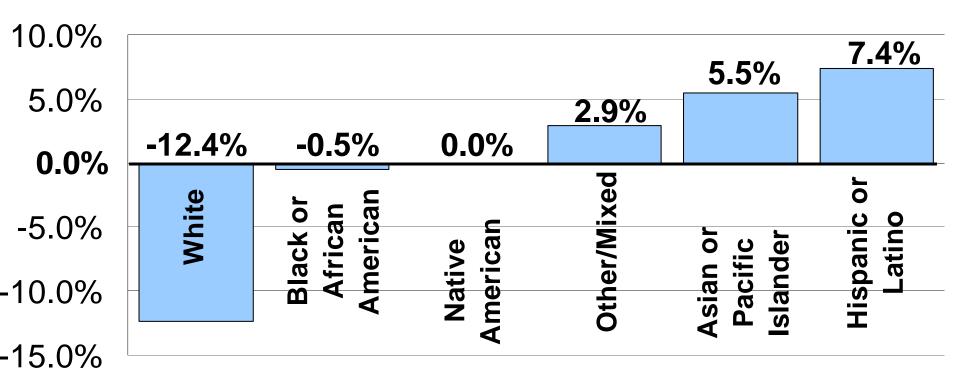


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## RACIAL & ETHNIC GROUP CHANGES

#### **Change in % of Population**



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# THE PORTLAND PLAN WILL BE OUR STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE NEXT 25 YEARS

**City of Portland | Metro | Multnomah County** Portland State University | Oregon Health & Science University **Portland Public Schools | Parkrose School District Centennial School District | David Douglas School District** Reynolds School District | Worksystems, Inc. Portland Community College | TriMet | ODOT Mt Hood Community College | University of Oregon **Portland Development Commission | Housing Authority of Portland East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District** West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District Multnomah County Drainage District No. 1



## **NINE ACTION AREAS**



Prosperity, Business Success & Equity **Education & Skill Development** Arts, Culture & Innovation Sustainability & the Natural Environment Human Health, Food & Public Safety **Quality of Life & Civic Engagement** Design, Planning & Public Spaces **Neighborhoods & Housing** Transportation, Technology & Access



# **Background Reports**

- Snapshots
- Overviews
- Full Reports







Food Systems (PDF)

Food Systems - Overview (PDF)

Food Systems Maps (PDF)

What do you think of the Food Systems background report? Submit your feedback.

#### Human Health and Safety (PDF)

<u>Human Health and Safety -</u> Overview (PDF)

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#### Historic Resources (PDF)-

Report 1: Key Findings and Recommendations

Historic Resources (PDF)

Report 2: Data and Maps

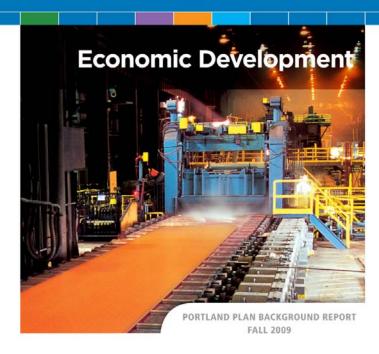
<u>Historic Resources (PDF)</u>-Report 3: Understanding Historic Resources in Portland

Historic Resources - Overview

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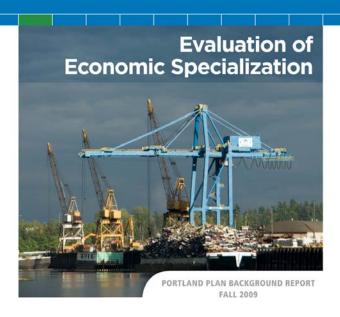




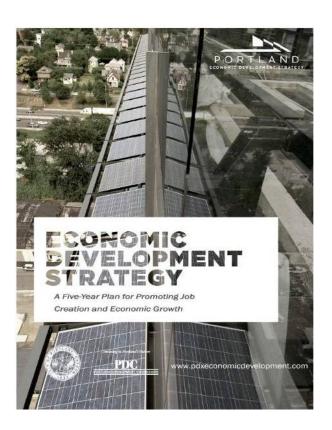














# **Prosperity, Business Success & Equity**

- City lags in share of regional job growth
- 150,000 new jobs are forecast by 2035: average annual growth rate of 1.3%
- Institutional sectors are growing fastest (e.g., hospitals and universities, etc.)
- Shortfalls in developable land for industrial and institutional growth

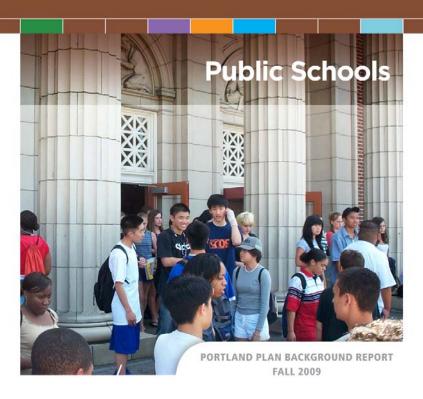


# **Prosperity, Business Success & Equity**

- Traded sector firms drive the region's prosperity
- We spend a lot of money on energy, and much of that money leaves the local economy
- Global production of oil and natural gas will reach its peak between 2010 and 2020











# **Education & Skill Development**

- There are six school districts in Portland
- High school graduation rates are low
- Low-income and minority students face an achievement gap
- 'Mid-County' districts growing rapidly
- Signs that the pattern of declining enrollment for Portland Public Schools may be ending



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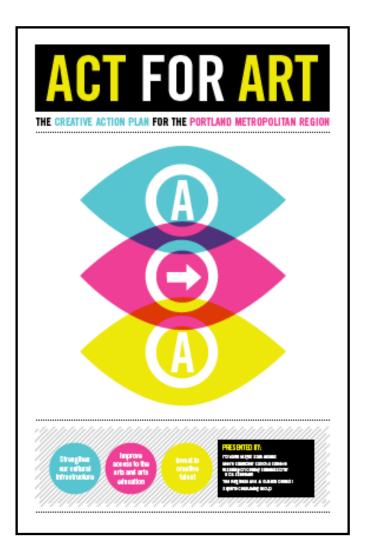
- Student populations at Portland metro area schools are diversifying
- School facilities suffer from years of deferred maintenance
- Schools and neighborhoods benefit from city/school district collaboration
- Community access to facilities is important issue









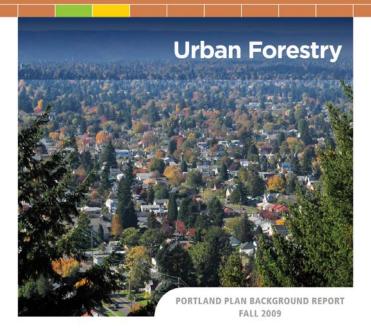




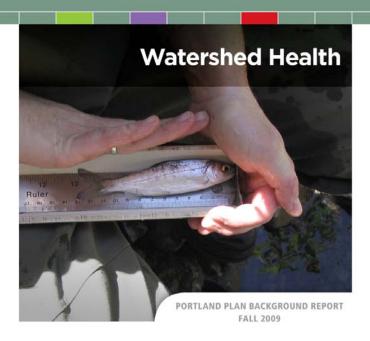
# **Arts, Culture & Innovation**

- Portland's public per capita arts funding lags behind other western cities
- Arts are an under-appreciated economic development tool
- Access to the arts and arts education, especially at the neighborhood level, should be expanded





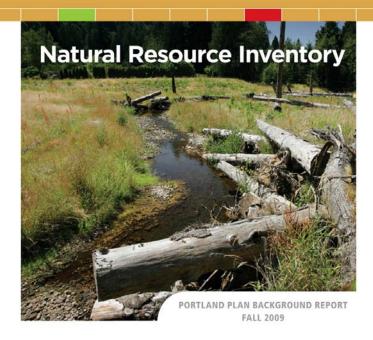




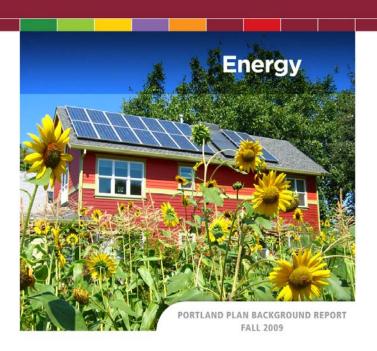






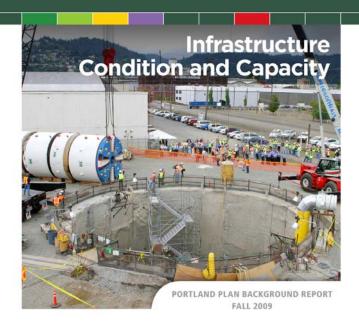




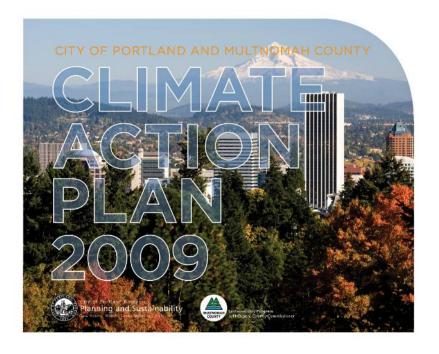














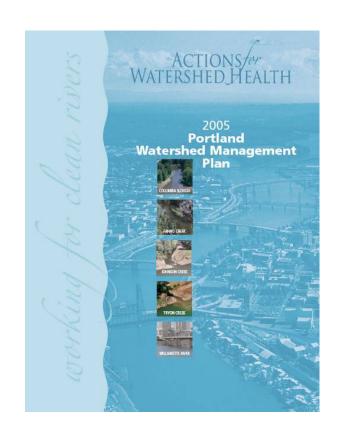
- Need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by as much as 80% by 2050
- Transportation and building energy use are primary contributors to greenhouse gas emissions
- Adjusting to climate change and rising energy costs will effect our economy and how the city develops



- 25,500 acres of riparian corridor and upland resources identified in the Natural Resource Inventory (NRI)
- Metro Title 13 requires an update of the City's regulatory programs related to riparian and stream protection
- Existing regulatory programs (e-zones) do not protect some significant natural resources



- The Watershed Management Plan presents policies and strategies for improving watershed health
- The Portland Plan is an opportunity to better integrate watershed health into land use planning
- Trees, green streets, rain gardens, and ecoroofs can improve watershed conditions and reduce the cost of infrastructure

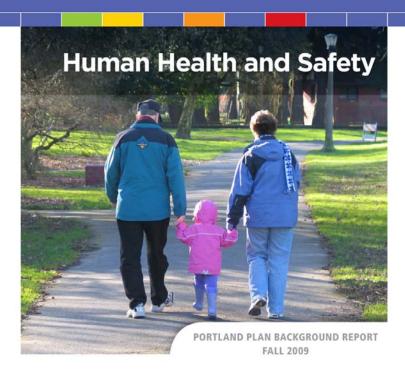




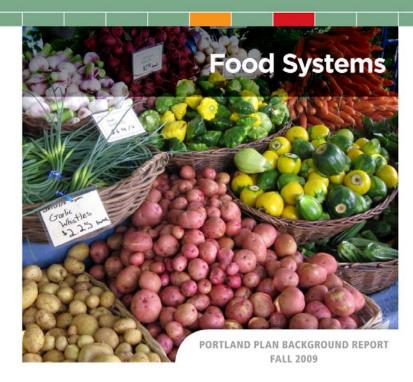
- Willamette River water quality ratings have improved in the last 5 years
- Portland's major waterways have problems with temperature, bacteria and pollutants
- Portland has about 725 green street facilities
- There are about 10 acres of ecoroofs in Portland
- Over 20 acres of floodplain restored









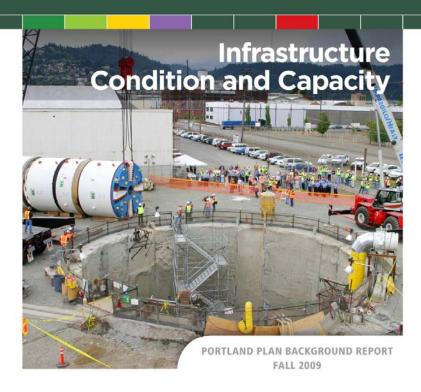






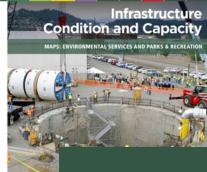


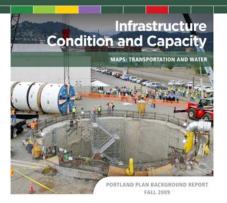






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### **Human Health, Food & Public Safety**

- Rising rates of obesity, diabetes, chronic disease, cancer and asthma
- Availability of walking and biking networks improve public health by making it easier to live healthy and active lifestyles
- Some parts of the City do not have these networks



### **Human Health, Food & Public Safety**

- The 1,300 person waiting list for community garden plots - evidence that Portlanders are interested in healthy food
- Access to healthy food is unevenly distributed
- Natural hazards such as severe weather, landslides, flooding, wildfires and earthquakes pose threats to the safety of Portlanders



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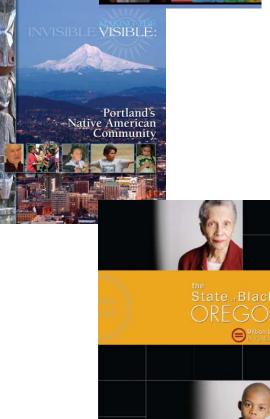
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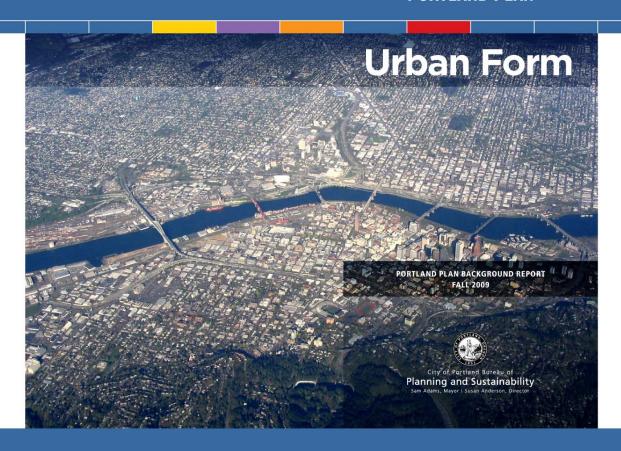


### **Quality of Life & Civic Engagement**

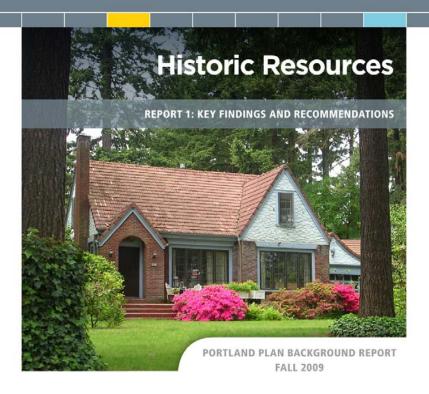
- Portlanders value community connections
- Civic engagement and volunteerism are core values
- One type of civic engagement does not fit all
- The role of neighborhood associations in decisionmaking is a common question
- Prosperity gap minorities are not benefitting as much when Portland has economic success















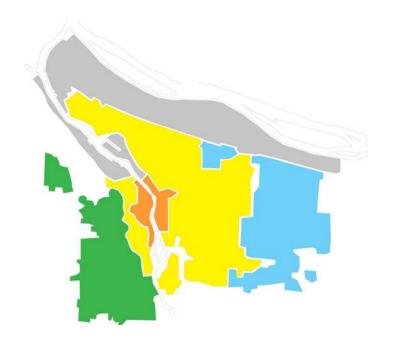






### Design, Planning & Public Spaces

- Portland has at least 5 different distinctive pattern areas
- Portland's fabric is woven in several patterns, each a different combination of street and block types, natural features, building forms and other physical characteristics





### Design, Planning & Public Spaces

- The public realm of streets and parks represents a large amount, nearly 30%, of Portland's land area
- How we design and manage those public spaces has a big impact on the City
- The landmarks and prominent features that shape the form, structure and identity of Portland at the citywide scale
- The City has no master plan of how the future development of the City can incorporate and build off these existing features

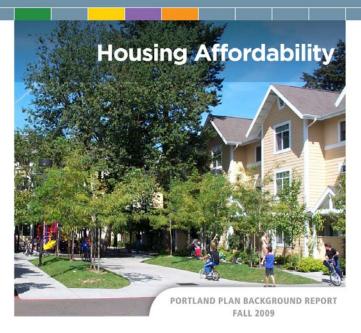


### Design, Planning & Public Spaces

- Much of Portland's post-World War II modern architecture is now (or soon will be) old enough to apply for historic designation
- East Portland is underserved by historic preservation research, policies and protections
- Older and historic buildings have value in terms of their embodied energy, quality materials, and represent durable assets









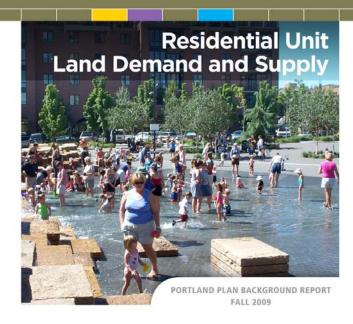
















- The city added 29,300 units between 1997 and 2007 (an average of just under 3,000 units each year)
- 105,000 136,000 new households are projected in the city by 2035 (3,500 to 4,500 new units each year)
- The city captures a big part of the regional housing market (36% market capture 1997-2007)



- Housing development requires both zoning and infrastructure capacity and market need
- City has the <u>zoning</u> capacity for more than enough units to meet demand
- We are checking to see if we can provide infrastructure to all of those places
- We also need to confirm market and community acceptance/desire for that development



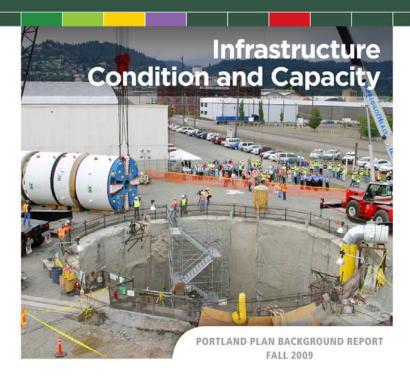
- Models suggest that the Central City will see the highest growth in demand for housing – nearly 277% growth
- Sixty percent of the existing housing units in Portland are single-family detached homes
- For the last decade most new construction has been multifamily apartments, condos, and townhouses. This trend is likely to continue



- The neighborhoods with best access to jobs, transit and services have become the most expensive
- The combined housing and transportation costs leave lower income households "cost burdened"
- Retrofitting older homes for energy efficiency will be an important aspect of maintaining affordable housing in coming decades











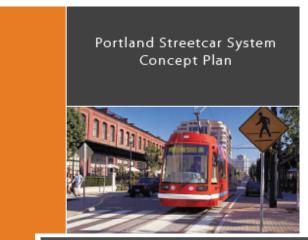




### **Transportation, Technology & Access**

- At current funding levels, some of Portland's infrastructure will continue to deteriorate
- The city faces significant maintenance backlogs for existing assets
- Many neighborhoods in East and West Portland lack sidewalks and street connections

### **Transportation, Technology & Access**





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- Bicycle investments have been relatively low cost way to reduce number of cars on the road
- Rail transit investments have had impact on urban form and where development occurs (streetcar as private development magnet)



### **What's Next: Portland Plan**

- Fill out your [Round 1] surveys by March 31!
- Planning Commission meetings in February and March
- Open staff meetings in March
- Setting Direction: Round 2 Workshops in April and May
- Monthly PPAG and CIC meetings (ongoing)



# **Upcoming Planning Commission Meetings**

#### February 9

**Periodic Review: What is it?** 

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# **Next Meeting**

#### February 9

Periodic Review: What is it? How does it relate to the Background reports?

- Housing Supply
- Housing Affordability
- Economic Opportunities Analysis
- Natural Resource Inventory
- Citywide Systems Condition and Capacity



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