



Request for Metro Determination of Compliance with *Title 13, Nature in Neighborhoods* and *Voluntary Intergovernmental Agreement*

City Council Public Hearing
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Presentation Outline

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 6. Public Testimony
 7. Council Discussion/Action

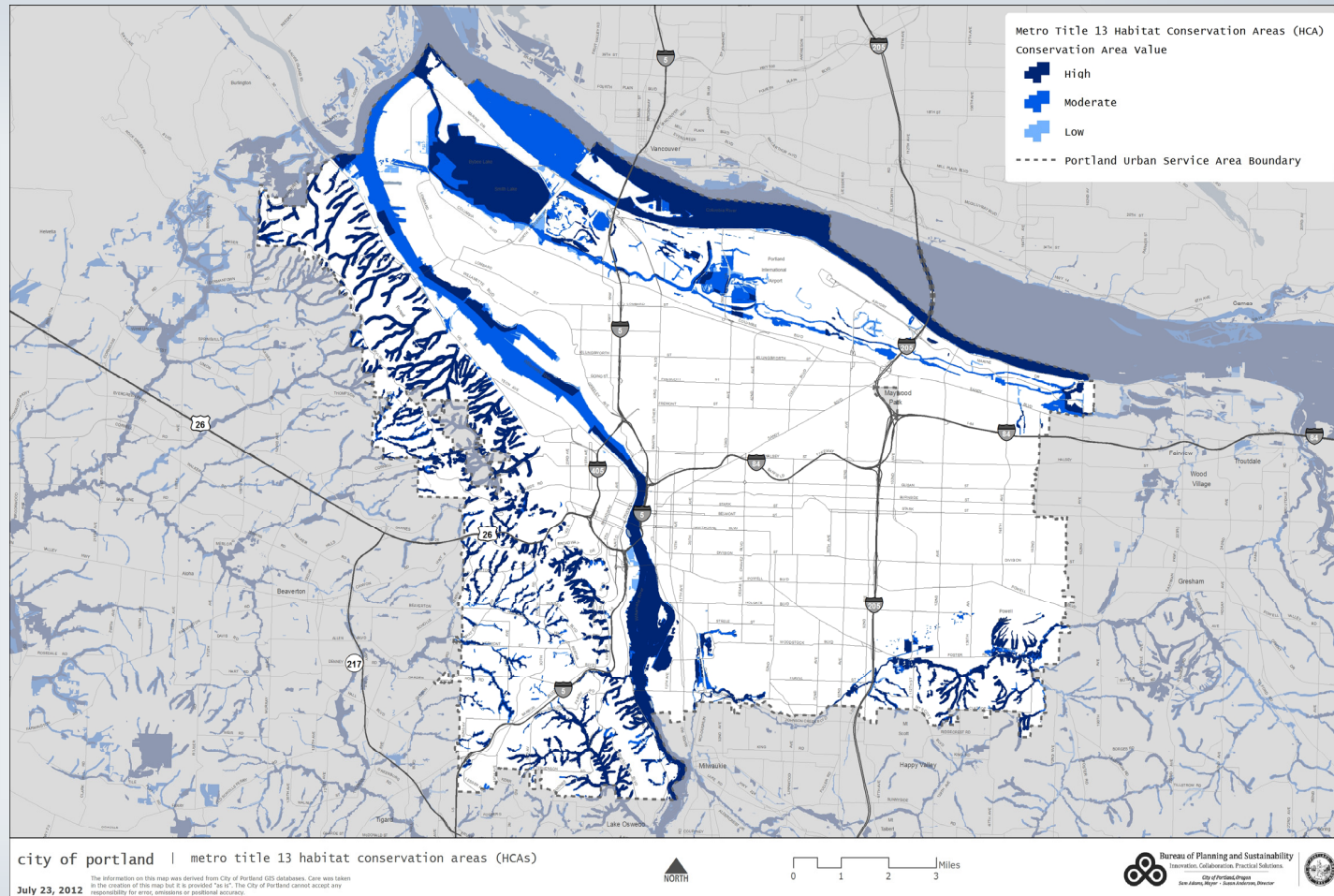
Context: What is Metro Title 13?

- Goal: Maintain continuous system of riparian corridors & protect water quality
- Minimum, regional requirements to:
protect, conserve, and restore
Habitat Conservation Areas (HCAs)
Waterways, wetlands, floodplains,
vegetation, wildlife habitat, steep slopes
- Multiple benefits and services
Public health, safety, resiliency,
environmental quality, community livability



Title 13 Approach

- Flexible compliance options
- “*Avoid, minimize, mitigate*” hierarchy
- Balance of watershed & development goals



Portland's Compliance Status

- City had well-established programs before Title 13
- City asked Metro for time to progress on key projects
 - Natural Resource Inventory
 - Portland Plan
 - River Plan North and Central Reaches
 - Airport Futures
 - Citywide Tree Project
 - Invasive Plant Project
- Improved natural resource-related information and strategic direction, protections, and mitigation



Title 13 “Substantial Compliance” Package - Overview

Land Use and Zoning

- Natural Resource Inventory Update
- Zoning Regulations

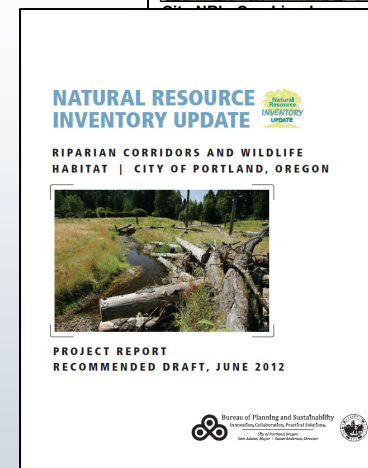
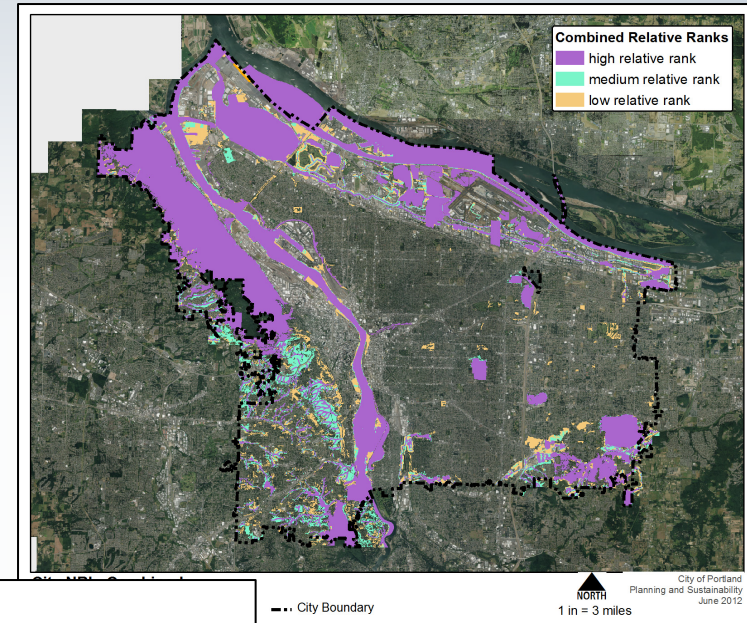
Alternative Programs

- Non-zoning Regulations
- Non-regulatory Programs



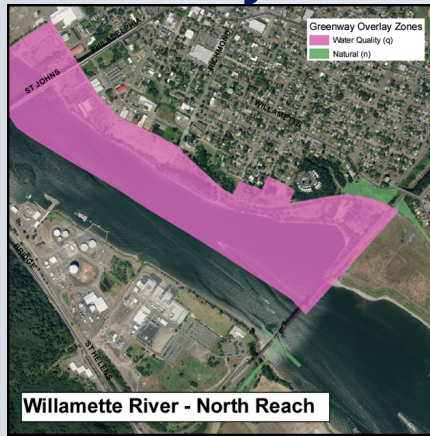
Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) Update

- Updated/improved Metro Title 13 NRI
- Council adopted the NRI in October 2012 with Comprehensive Plan “Factual Basis”

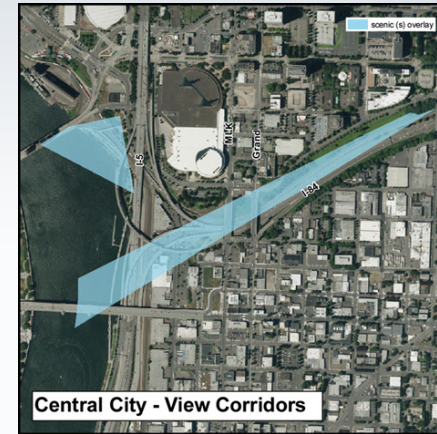


Zoning Regulations - Overlay Zones

■ Greenway Overlay



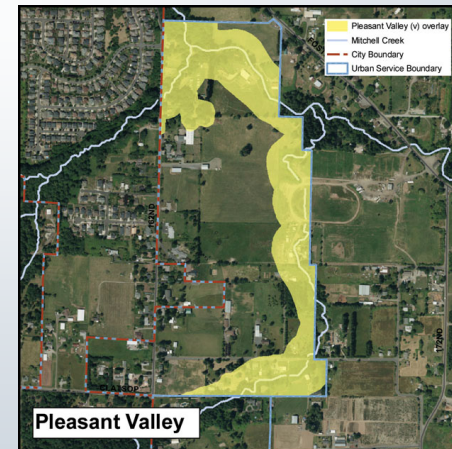
■ Scenic Resource Overlay

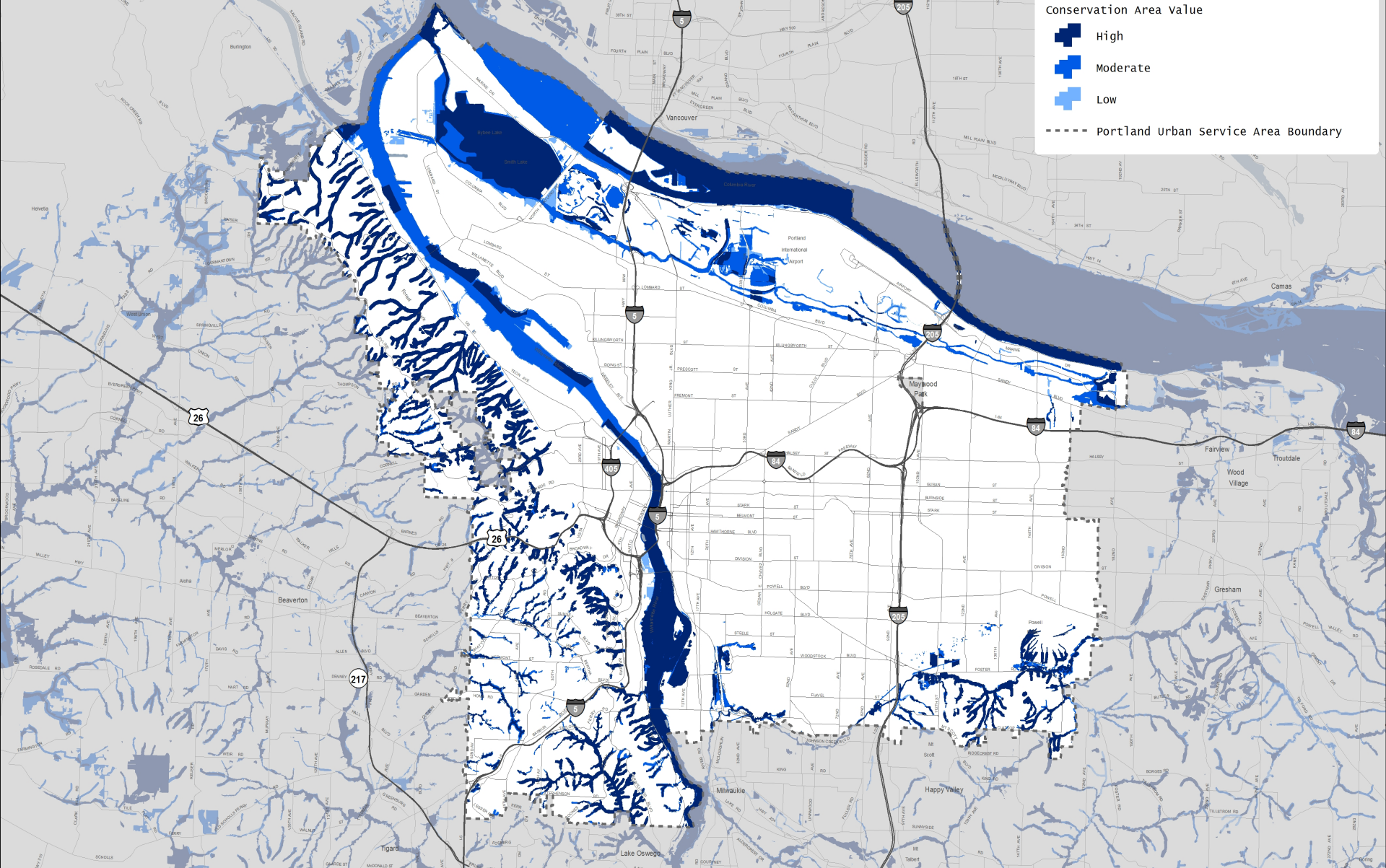


■ Environmental Overlay



■ Pleasant Valley Overlay





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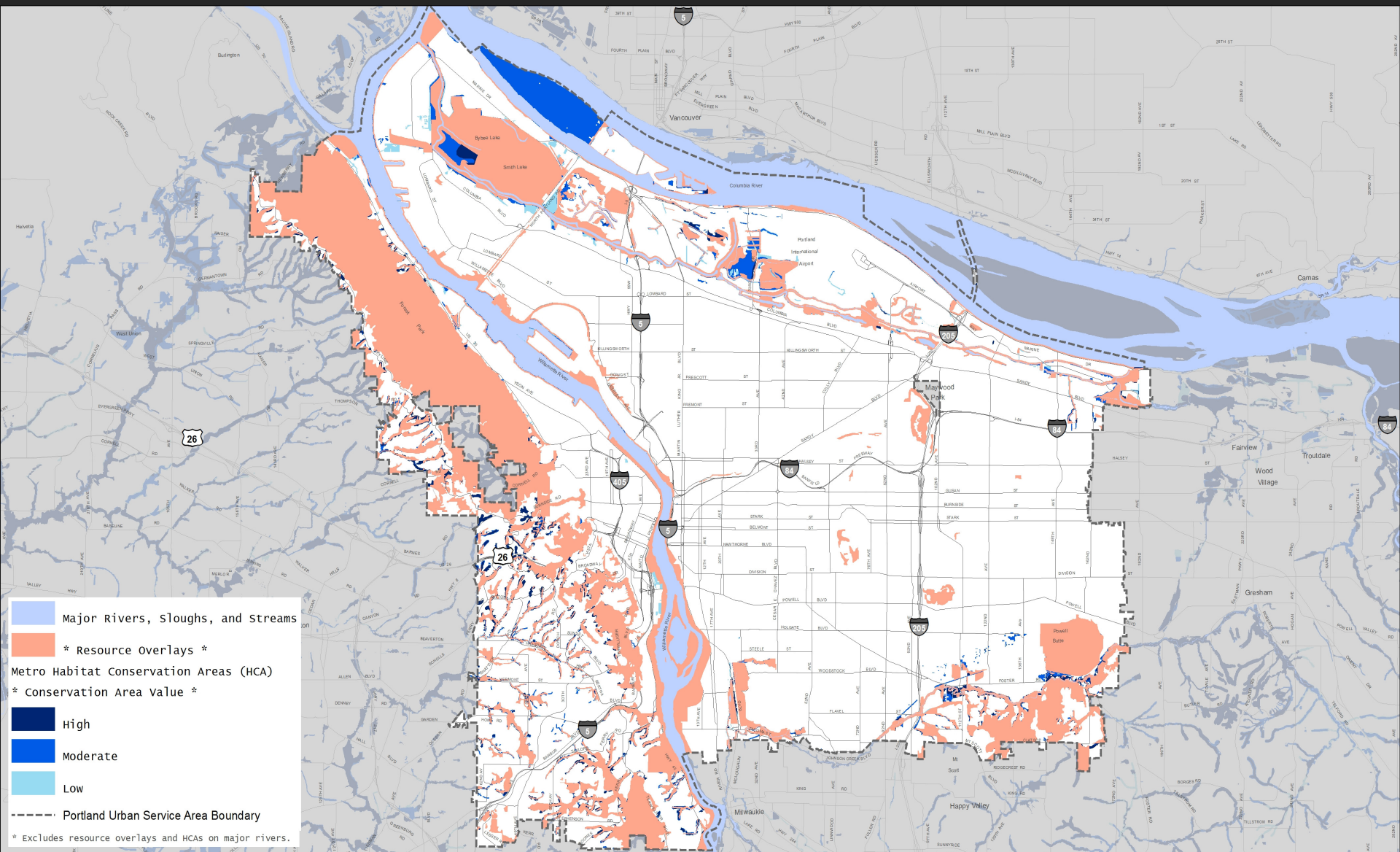
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Other Zoning Tools

Land Division Code

Addresses tree preservation, seeps and springs, flood and landslide risk

Plan Districts

Area-specific provisions augment resource protections

Johnson Creek Basin

Columbia South Shore

Northwest Hills

Pleasant Valley

Portland Int'l Raceway

Central City/S. Waterfront

Portland Int'l Airport

Cascades Station/PIC



Natural Resource Management Plans

Area specific master plan approach

Forest Park

Smith & Bybee Lakes

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East Columbia Neighborhood)



Non-Zoning Regulations

Development Requirements

- Stormwater Management Manual
- Drainage Reserve Rule
- Erosion Control Manual
- Floodplain regulations



Pollution Enforcement

- Spill Response
- Illicit Discharge program

Trees and Vegetation

- Tree Codes
- Invasive Plant Required Eradication



Habitat-Friendly Development

Title 13 says remove barriers and encourage:

- reduction in impervious area
- provision of habitat
- safe fish/wildlife passage



Portland encourages practices in Title 13

Non-Regulatory Programs

Willing-Seller Land Acquisition

City Natural Areas and Protect the Best

Watershed Revegetation



Green Infrastructure

- Tree Planting
- Green Streets
- Culvert Replacement
- Portland Ecoroof Program



Watershed Projects

- Watershed Investment Fund
- Subwatershed/Stormwater Plans
- Tabor to the River



Education and Stewardship

- Pollution Prevention Ed.
- Community Watershed Stewardship
- Neighborhood Tree Stewards
- Tree Inventory Project



Monitoring and Evaluation

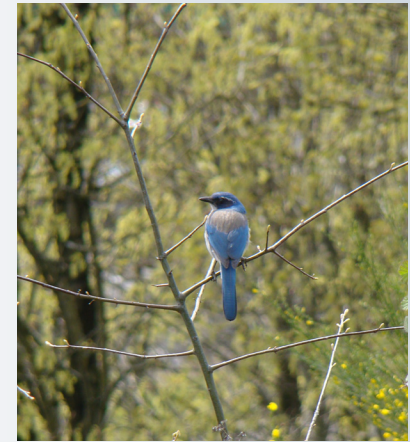
- Portland Area Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Program “PAWMAP”



Portland/Metro Voluntary Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)

Purpose to confirm that:

- After compliance with Title 13, our watershed work continues
- The City intends to:
 - Continue multi-objective planning efforts that address watershed health; and
 - Seek funding for ongoing watershed programs
- The City and Metro will collaborate on issues of regional concern



10-year term w/periodic progress reports

Portland/Metro IGA - Items Addressed

Multi-objective planning efforts:

- Comprehensive Plan (policies, actions)
- West Hayden Island decision
- Willamette Greenway Plan update (River Plan)
- Columbia Corridor Plan

Ongoing programs:

- Tree project/code implementation
- Willing-seller land acquisition
- Restoration and invasive species management
- Green infrastructure investments
- Watershed Monitoring

Issues of regional concern:

- Meeting goals for healthy economy and watersheds
- Emerging compliance issues (FEMA/ESA)
- Ecological site design



Recommendation

Planning and Sustainability Commission recommends:

- 1. Council accept the report, “Title 13: Request for Metro Determination of Substantial Compliance”**
 - authorize staff to incorporate minor edits and updates
- 2. Approve the Ordinance authorizing:**
 - Bureau of Planning and Sustainability Director to submit the Title 13 compliance request to Metro, and
 - Planning and Sustainability, Environmental Services, and Portland Parks Directors to sign voluntary City/Metro Intergovernmental Agreement

Q & A, Partner Remarks

