




PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

Healthy Parks, Healthy Portland

Date: October 11, 2013

To: City Council

From: Mike Abbaté, Director Portland Parks & Recreation 

Cc: Milena Malone, Patti Howard

RE: Salmon Safe Certification Award Presentation
October 16, 2013

Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) is the only park system to be Salmon Safe certified (2004) and recently recertified (2012). At the awards presentation on Wednesday October 16, 2013 we will be receiving our Salmon Safe Certification award – a salmon created from a recycled Oregon Department of Transportation road sign.

This third party, independent review of our agency gives us credibility and accountability within Parks and the City, granting agencies and provides opportunity for public education. Being Salmon Safe Certified and maintaining our certification has influenced changes in PP&R's system-wide planning, design and maintenance practices for riparian areas, stormwater treatment and restoration work over the past nine years. Our actions are helping the City take a proactive approach, develop a citywide, integrated response, work cooperatively, and assist in the recovery of listed fish species. Through these efforts, our park users will soon be able to see salmon and steelhead swimming in Crystal Springs Creek through Westmoreland Park, enjoy nature closer to their homes, and have help restore salmon habitat along our creeks.

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Amanda Fritz, Commissioner

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Salmon Safe Certification Award
(Presentation introduced by Commissioner Fritz)

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4. Novick		
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