



Authorize Application to Oregon DEQ for Grant Funds

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Background

- **February 2015**

- Mayor directs BPS to convene a group of experts to aid in increasing deconstruction

- **April 2015**

- Deconstruction Advisory Group (DAG) formed

- **June 2015**

- BPS recommended establishing a deconstruction grant program
- \$50,000 dedicated funding

Deconstruction Advisory Group (DAG)

- Salvage/Deconstruction
 - For-profit; Non-profit; Retailers
- Construction Debris Recycling
- Builders/Developers
- Historic Preservation
- Neighborhood/UNR
- DRAC
- BDS
- Metro



Deconstruction Grant Program

- Goals: Learn, Grow, Promote
- www.ExploreDecon.com
- Post Cards, Posters
- Yard Signs
- Launched September 8
- Maximum \$2,500 awards
- 10 applications
- \$13,000 allocated to date

Removing a house?

Salvage valuable material for reuse through deconstruction

Grant funds are available for deconstruction projects

- Applications accepted beginning Sept. 8, 2015.
- Visit www.ExploreDecon.com for application instructions.

Deconstruction benefits:

- Our community.
- Our environment.
- Our economy.

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Yard Sign



Looking Forward

- DAG continues to meet/advise BPS
- January 27, 2016 BPS reports to City Council
 - Update on Deconstruction Grant Program
 - Recommendation of next steps



Opportunity

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's Materials Management program -

- Grant program to fund projects that prevent, recover or reuse solid wastes
- Up to \$500,000 for this 2015 grant round is available to local governments in Oregon

Ordinance

Authorization to apply for DEQ grant funds:

- Funds would supplement existing Deconstruction Grant Program
- Additional projects and/or increase grant amounts
- Request \$50,000
- Application due December 14

Hazmat

Deconstruction has three advantages over mechanical demolition

1. Deconstruction = less dust
2. More likely to discover unabated hazmat (behind walls, under cabinets)
3. More likely to abate given immediate exposure risks (personally handling material vs in cab of excavator)

Unabated material exposes neighbors and workers at sorting facilities