

City of Portland Streamlining Agreement Ten-Year Status Report 2003 - 2013

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STREAMLINING AGREEMENT

- The Purpose is to build a collaborative process that encourages efficient and effective communication among multiple agencies and City of Portland project teams
- The Goal is to secure timely and non-conflicting decisions from the agencies for proposed City projects that require permits and other authorizations





History of the City's Streamlining Agreement

- February 2003 Memorandum of Agreement between City and federal agencies to streamline federal ESA Section 7 consultations
- February 2006 Former Mayor Tom Potter and former Governor Ted Kulongoski invite State agencies and the Bureau of Development Services to participate in the City's Streamlining process
- September 2009 Presentation of Five-Year Status Report of Streamlining Agreement to City Council and Agency leaders - Agree to continue Streamlining process for the next five years
- April 2013 Oregon State Land Board presents the Streamlining Team with the Partnership Award
- June 2014 PSU Hatfield School of Government, Center for Public Service gives their endorsement of the Streamlining Team process



Current Membership of Portland Streamlining Team

Federal agencies

Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

<u>State agencies</u>

Department of State Lands (DSL) Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

<u>City of Portland</u>

Bureau of Development Services (BDS)



Why the Need for a Streamlining Agreement?



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Streamlining = Finding Common Ground for Collaboration

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Streamlining Team Facts

- One-hundred eighty-seven (187) City Bureau presentations were given to the Streamlining Team between 2003 and 2013
- One-hundred sixty-eight (168) permits were issued by the Streamlining Team's participating agencies to fifty-seven (57)
 City projects between 2003 and 2013
- Forty-two (42) agency representatives have served on the Streamlining Team since 2003 (Seven agency representatives serve on the Team at any one time)
- Four Bureaus used the Team most often from 2003-2013:
 - Bureau of Environmental Services 109 presentations
 - Portland Parks and Recreation 20 presentations
 - Portland Water Bureau 10 presentations
 - Portland Bureau of Transportation 10 presentations



Streamlining Permitted Project Examples

Portland Fire and Rescue built a new boathouse and dock to respond to emergencies.

Parks restored shallow water beach and built a boat ramp at South Waterfront.





Streamlining Permitted Project Examples

Water Bureau tunneled water pipe lines below the Sandy River to reduce vulnerability.

TriMet and the Federal Transit Administration built a new bridge over the Willamette River.





How do you successfully acquire permits through the Streamlining Team?

- Coordinate early with agencies Get on the Streamlining Team agenda
- Understand agency's information requirements that will be reviewing your proposal
- The end result:
 - Shorter approval timeframes, and
 - Projects will more likely stay within projected budgets



Assessment of the City of Portland Streamlining Program

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