



CCBA Update

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WASHINGTON COUNTY AND METRO AGREE ON NEW RESERVES BOUNDARY

After a marathon joint session yesterday, the Washington County Commission and Metro Council agreed to new urban, rural and undesignated areas in an attempt to respond the remand by the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) of the previous agreement.

The two boards went in and out of public session responding to different proposals - creating a unique public hearing. In the end, an agreement was reached on a 3 to 2 vote by Washington County and a 6 to 1 vote of the Metro Council.

Clackamas County and Multnomah County will also have to "sign off" on the agreement, as the urban reserve process requires all three counties to be in agreement. If the counties agree, the new proposal will be sent to LCDC for their review. If LCDC concurs, dissatisfied parties, of which there will be many, may then appeal the decision to the Oregon Court of Appeals.

The area of contention was the land north of the City of Cornelius. A map of the new agreement will be available on Metro's web site shortly.

DONATE TO JAPAN RELIEF EFFORTS

CCBA Board Member Charlie Allcock, who is a member of the Japanese American Community in Oregon, is seeking help from CCBA members with the disaster in Japan. There is some confusion on the best way to donate, and several Japanese community organizations recently met and are recommending contributions to Mercy Corps.

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"As community leaders, I wanted to alert you on this development, and ask for your help in getting the word out far and wide," said Allcock. Contributions can be made to the Oregon Japan Relief Fund site of Mercy Corps at: <http://www.mercycorps.org/fundraising/oregonjapanrelieffund>

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BEGINS SELECTION PROCESS FOR NEW COMMISSIONER

At the Commission work-session yesterday, an application process to fill the vacant county commissioner position was approved. The vacancy resulted when Lynn Petersen accepted a position with Governor Kitzhaber, and Commissioner Lehan was appointed to fill the remaining portion of Petersen's term as Chair. The new Commissioner will be required to run again in 2012, when both the Chair position and Lehan's old position are up for election.

For more information on the process go to the Commission website www.recruit.co.clackamas.or.us/recruit/ccstartint.html

The Commission will hold applications open until April 13th. It is also clear that the Commission would prefer an applicant that can represent the rural areas of the County and has experience in creating jobs. CCBA strongly supports that criteria and will be active in the process.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CCBA Board of Directors Meeting: Wednesday, April 13th starting at 7:30 AM, at the Clackamas County Public Services Building, Board of CC Conference Room 451, 2051 Kaen Road, Clackamas, Oregon.

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