



# Protecting Lake Oswego's Natural Areas and Access to Nature

The Lake Oswego City Council is considering a referendum asking voters to establish additional protections for our parks and natural spaces while preserving the City's ability to adapt to the changing needs of our community and environment.

We know residents value the high quality of life in Lake Oswego and that preserving access to the outdoors is integral to that. The proposed measure would provide for effective management of the City's parks and natural spaces to protect water quality, wildlife habitat, aesthetic values, and ecological function, and allow for trails and pathways that ensure accessibility for all residents.

## **WE ARE SEEKING YOUR FEEDBACK ON:**

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- Current protections for parks and natural spaces
- Methods for public input in the upkeep and preservation of our parks and natural spaces
- Ensuring equitable access to parks and natural spaces for all residents
- Complementing the preservation of parks and natural spaces with priorities such as public safety, infrastructure, and livability

## **WE'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND YOUR PRIORITIES FOR:**

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- Protecting water quality and wildlife habitat
- Effective planning for neighborhood livability
- Preserving adaptability to the changing needs of the community and our environment
- Protecting the ability to restore and preserve natural spaces in a changing climate
- Ensuring access to natural areas for public safety and other essential city services
- Requiring public approval to conduct any needed updates or maintenance to existing taxpayer-funded facilities located within natural spaces