



CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD

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Wednesday, March 18th, 2009

6:30- 8:30 p.m.

**West End Building
4101 Kruse Way**

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- I. 6:30 Roll Call
- 6:35 Approval of Minutes
- 6:35 Announcements from the Board
- 6:45 Public Comment (comment on agenda items may be deferred to discussion of that item)

Regular Business

I-Information, Dis-Discussion, Dec-Decision, R-Recommend to Council

Sustainability Efforts and NRAB	Diamond	30 mins	I / Dis
Heritage Tree Nominations	Summers	20 mins	I/Dis/ DEC
Council Goals	Holen	15 mins	I / Dis
Farmer's Market Planning	All	30 mins	I / Dis

II. ADJOURNMENT

III. ATTACHMENTS

Draft minutes of 11/17/08 and 1/21/09 meetings
Heritage Tree Staff Report

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 15th, 2009 at the West End Building.

NATURAL RESOURCE ADVISORY BOARD

Mission Statement

The mission of the Natural Resources Advisory Board is to review trends in air, water, and land quality within the Urban Service Boundary of the Comprehensive Plan, and to assist in the development and implementation of plans and policies to protect, restore and enhance the environmental quality within the Urban Service Boundary of the Comprehensive Plan. The NRAB shall encourage conservation of natural resources and preservation and enhancement of the ecosystems, open space, and natural corridors. The NRAB shall recommend actions to the City Council and, through the City Manager to City departments, to preserve open space through, but not limited to, acquisition, easements, donations, and land use actions. The NRAB shall also designate Lake Oswego Heritage Trees as provided in LOC 55.06.030. (Originally adopted by City Council March, 1979.)

2009 Goals

Goal: Continue to Develop the Natural Area Park Management Program

- Advocate with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for sufficient 2009 funding in the amount of \$39,000 to implement Phase II of the Cooks Butte Management Plan, and support the need for adequate staffing for natural areas management activities to replace the AmeriCorps volunteer position.
- Support staff in the implementation of the Cooks Butte Natural Area Management Plan.
- Develop goals and objectives for City Natural Areas that build on the Natural Areas Vision Statement.
- Support the development and implementation of management plans for all city Natural Areas.

Goal: Participate in the Parks and Recreation (Natural Areas) Comprehensive Plan Update

- Ensure that natural areas management and long-term maintenance are included in the updated Plan.
- Develop, approve, and begin implementation of a city-wide invasive plant species eradication program.

Goal: Implement the Urban and Community Forestry Program

- Support AmeriCorps and City Staff in implementing the City's Urban and Community Forestry Program (UCFP).
- Raise community awareness about the value of the urban forest and use of the UCFP.
- Coordinate educational outreach activities with the Historic Resources Advisory Board to raise awareness of the Heritage Tree Program. Review Heritage Tree Nominations and announce new heritage trees during Arbor Week.
- Support AmeriCorps staff in developing the City's *State of the Forest* report.
- Advocate for baseline urban forest data collection to help guide management decisions that will realize the City's vision for Lake Oswego's urban forest.
- Coordinate efforts with the Sustainability Advisory Board to increase public awareness for protecting the Urban Forest as an important tool in carbon reduction.

Goal: Promote Water Quality and Conservation

- Support implementation of the City's Water Conservation Plan.
- Support development and completion of a Clean Streams Plan.
- Promote water conservation measures City-wide.

Goal: Participate in Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review

- Encourage the City to assign an NRAB member to the Periodic Review task force.
- Participate and provide comments to Staff and Council regarding the Comprehensive Plan update.

Goal: Increase Environmental Awareness, Literacy, and Protection through Educational Outreach

- Provide support for the City's environmental outreach programs.
- Organize community outreach booths at Lake Oswego Farmers' Markets.
- Participate in the City's Centennial Celebration.
- Organize a Northwest Earth Institute Discussion Course comprised of a mix of City Council Members, City staff, NRAB members, and Lake Oswego Citizens.