



NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD
 Wednesday, September 3, 2014
 6:30 p.m.

NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION: Main Fire Station

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- I. 6:30 Call to Order and Roll Call
 Citizen Comment (comment on agenda items may be deferred to discussion of that item)
 City Council Update
 Approval of Minutes (February 5, 2014, March 5, 2014, April 2, 2014, and May 7, 2014)

6:50 **Regular Business**

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

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| Sensitive Lands field trips: public natural areas and private lands | All | 10 min | Dis |
| Briefing on Sensitive Lands Quick Fix Code Amendments | Stoll | 20 min | I, Dis |
| Review of NRAB’s 2014 goals and work plan | Berardi/McMurray | 30 min | I, Dis |
| Planning for September NRAB tabling events: 9/7; 9/13; 9/28 | Stoll/All | 15 min | Dis |
| Information from Board members and staff | All | 10 min | I, Dis |

II. **ADJOURNMENT**

III. **ATTACHMENTS**

1. City Council Draft Schedule
2. Draft Meeting Minutes (February 5, 2014, March 5, 2014, April 2, 2014, and May 7, 2014)
3. Staff Report on Quick-Fix Sensitive Lands Code Revisions and Incentives
4. NRAB 2014 Work Plan

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, October 1, 2014, 6:30 PM at City Hall

NATURAL RESOURCES 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 the City Council in March 1979)

2014 Goals

1. Organize or advocate for resource management and capital projects in City-owned natural areas.
 - Assist with the creation of a Friends Group for Woodmont Park.
 - Organize and lead volunteer stewardship projects to remove invasive plants.
 - Advocate for the development of new community gardens.
 - Advocate for the installation of new interpretive signage.
2. Promote awareness and appreciation of the City's urban forest.
 - Review Heritage Tree nominations and announce new Heritage Trees during Arbor Week.
 - Advocate for and assist with an update of the State of the Urban Forest Report.
3. Advocate for the implementation of natural resource-related elements of adopted City plans and policies. Examples include the following:
 - Parks Plan 2025
 - Luscher Area Master Plan
 - Iron Mountain Management Plan
 - Urban and Community Forestry Plan
 - Clean Streams Plan
4. Review and comment upon plans, policies, and projects with natural resource impacts and seek to incorporate natural resource values into City efforts. Examples include the following:
 - Healthy Ecosystems/updated Goal 5 chapter of the Comprehensive Plan
 - Revisions to the Sensitive Lands program
 - Stormwater Code Revision and Design Manual Update
 - Parks Maintenance Integrated Pest Management Practices
5. Promote fiscal support for City environmental programs, including, but not limited to, the Natural Resources Protection Program, Urban and Community Forestry Program, and Natural Areas park restoration.
 - Advocate for increased staff capacity for volunteer coordination.
 - Advocate for continued funding for the Backyard Habitat Certification Program.
 - Advocate for continued funding for invasive plant removal in City Natural Areas.
6. Increase environmental awareness and protection through educational outreach.
 - Organize community outreach booths at Lake Oswego Farmers' Markets.
 - Create natural resource-related volunteer opportunities for local students.
 - Identify and participate in additional community outreach opportunities.
 - Continue NRAB member education regarding the condition of Lake Oswego's natural resources and potential threats to those resources (including air, water, and land quality).
7. Collaborate with other City boards and commissions, local watershed councils, and recognized Friends Groups to support and realize common goals.

Nick Berardi, Co-Chair • Gregory McMurray, Co-Chair
Frank Junga • James Kandell • Heidi Schrimsher • Craig Stephens • Todd Van Rysselberghe
Kavya Sreedhar, Youth Member • Lauren Hughes, Council Liaison