



PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

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April 10, 2015

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Subject: Interim Stormwater Management Plan
For PGE – Prospective Purchaser Agreement DEQ No. 05-01 and
Forest Park Property (ECSI #2406)
Quarterly Progress Report - January 11th-April 10th 2015

Dear Bob:

Pursuant to the Interim Stormwater Management Plan between Oregon DEQ and the City of Portland Bureau of Parks and Recreation (Parks), we are submitting two copies of the 2015 April quarterly report for the PGE – Forest Park site. This report summarizes the accomplishments, plans, data collected, and challenges encountered during the quarterly period of January 11th, 2015 through April 10th, 2015.

Actions Taken

During this quarterly reporting period January 2015 through April 2015 the following ongoing stormwater management activities have taken place:

- Vehicle access to the site has remained closed with the installation of eco-block barriers
- Exposed soil has been covered by gravel, to limit site runoff
- Temporary erosion control has been installed and replaced as needed at the interface of the property and the sidewalk
- Gravel has been added at low spots between the property and the sidewalk to limit runoff
- Vegetation has been trimmed along property line and sidewalk to improve visibility of any potential water draining off hillside in an effort to identify any additional problem areas
- Wattles have been maintained around the catch basin for stormwater inlet protection
- Wattles have been maintained along the southern fence boundary to filter runoff from adjacent property

- The site has been visited during extreme rain events to observe how water is moving throughout the site and identify areas of concern
- Installation of a 25 foot native shrub buffer along the top of the slope on Tax Lot 2001 adjacent to the Oregon Department of Transportation right-of-way to filter and slow down overland flows
- Annual presentation at staff safety meeting on the ISMP, best management plans and guidelines for work on the property
- Training for new staff member on the ISMP, best management plans and guidelines for work on the property
- Posting of guidelines for working on the site on worksite Safety Board

Funding continues to be pursued for a feasibility study to identify opportunities and constraints at this location for the potential development of a formalized gateway into Forest Park. The feasibility study will include a variety of technical studies including:

1. Roadway and Traffic – determine the location of the driveway and parking lot, and required City street and sidewalk improvements.
2. Geotechnical – investigate the physical properties of the site including soil suitability for improvements, erosion, slopes, geology and location of water seeps and wetlands. The report summarizes the data and makes recommendations for special construction provisions.
3. Environmental – identify water resources, perform wetland delineations, identify sensitive, threatened and/or endangered species and possible contaminants, and if necessary remediation requirements. This includes possible state and federal permits that will be required for development.
4. Local Zoning and Permitting – identify stormwater treatment for compliance with the Portland Stormwater Management Manual, identify requirements within the environmental zone, perform tree inventory and identify mitigation requirements for Urban Forestry permits.
5. Structural – determine the load or building weight and necessary components to support a building at the site.
6. Land Survey – determine the topography of the site, establish site boundaries and other land features. This will be used to develop the grading plan.
7. Public Involvement – develop and implement a public involvement plan to assist PP&R in determining the size and uses at the site.

From the information gathered through the multidisciplinary technical investigations and public outreach, a concept design will be developed and cost estimates for permitting and construction will be prepared. It is anticipated that

several of these technical studies; particularly the geotechnical, environmental and local zoning and permitting will provide additional data to aid in the stormwater management and erosion control measures necessary for management of this site.

Additional Actions Completed:

- **Potential Funding opportunities:** State funding is being pursued to fund the feasibility study. By Summer 2015 funding levels for this project will be determined.
- **Sampling:** No sampling activities were conducted during this reporting period.

Additional Actions Scheduled:

- **Survey for invasive species throughout the project area:** Spring treatment is scheduled in the weeks immediately following the submission of this report for the control of garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) which is present adjacent to the properties subject to this report. The properties within the stormwater management area will be inspected for the presence of garlic mustard as well.

Issues/Resolutions

There were no issues requiring resolution during this reporting period.

If you have any questions, please call me at 503-823-4474.

Sincerely,



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