## State of Oregon

## Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

Date:

July 5, 2017

To:

Environmental Quality Commission

From:

Richard Whitman, Director

Subject:

Agenda item A: Tour

July 11-13, 2017, EQC meeting

Purpose of item

Commissioners and some DEQ staff will meet with Tony DeFalco, coordinator for Living Cully, and community partners to discuss environmental concerns and visit several project sites in the Cully neighborhood of northeast Portland.

Background

Living Cully was formed in 2010 as a partnership of several community-based organizations working in the Cully neighborhood of northeast Portland.

Living Cully strives to create a thriving neighborhood where investments are by and for the people who live here, primarily low income people and people of color.

Living Cully works under the following goal areas:

- Community development without displacement
- Build employment and income opportunities for residents and businesses in the neighborhood
- Community engagement through collective action, cultural expression, and clear avenues for communication
- Expanding safe, high-quality affordable housing in Cully
- Increase green infrastructure and environmental education in the neighborhood

EQC involvement

This tour is informational, and discussion of general project information will occur; however, no commission action is requested at this time.

Report compiled from the Living Cully website http://www.livingcully.org/