

## Paving the Last 2 mile of the Springwater Trail

Notes from Meeting of November 14, 2006

5 The purpose of this meeting was to gather information and identify peoples interests and concerns about a possible project to pave the section of the Springwater Trail Corridor from Rugg Road to Dee Street in Boring.

### Attendees:

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Additional	contact				
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10 The following are a summary of the comments made by the individuals.

### Susan Corwin - Barlow Trail Association

- focus is community trails in the Villages at Mt. Hood
- "Barlow Road Project" connect Govy to Portland/Oregon City
- 15 + Ped/Bike/Equestrian path, preferably away from road
- + \*not\* constrained to follow any specific route
  - => like the early road: whatever way is easy/works!
  - => showcase historical context where appropriate
- + Area 1a: Boring to Portland is the subject under discussion in this meeting
- 20 + also Area 2: Sandy to Boring which needs to be defined
- + Govy to Sandy has "an existing path" which will also receive attention over the years

### Gregg Everhart-City of Portland

- Portland has 68 miles of high priority trails
- 25 - This section of the Springwater trail is on the master list but, due to remoteness, not in the city limits, etc, it is in the bottom third of the ranking.
- any work on the section needs to insure a public input process
- City of Portland may be willing/want to do the design to insure it is up to their standards since they will have some responsibility as owner of the ROW
- 30 - experiences on the other sections:
  - + used "chip seal" on inner sections, it has held up well but is starting to show its age
    - => need about \$500K to overlay
  - + did a test of various surfaces, chip seal was most "rustic", per public input
  - 35 + Palmquist to Rugg Road was paved with Metro Bond funds
- Comments on this section
  - + Culvert at Rugg Road is likely a problem: clogs, limited capacity in high water events

- + Trail heads are needed as part of the plan
- + would like partners to help find funding to do plan and construction

#### Phil Kidby - City of Gresham

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- City of Gresham paved 4.8 miles: Jennie Rd to Palmquist
  - Intergovernmental agreement with City of Portland on design, implementation
- Action item: Phil: send a copy of IGA to Mel and Susan. (this has been done)
- designed to "class C" highway standards to allow emergency vehicles (fire, medical)
  - installed 437 signs, of which 150 still remain
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- ongoing cost has run about \$8700/mile/year
    - + empty garbage
    - + graffiti
    - + sporadic bicycle patrol in summer
  - had a fatality at intersection in June of last year when bicyclist didn't stop at an intersection
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- + added more signs at that intersection
  - + painted ladder cross walk on street
  - number one user complaint is migrants setting up camp in the bushes
  - Gresham created a Corridor master plan
- Action item: Phil: provide a copy to Susan
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- + where feasible, have an "off trail" equestrian path for about .75 of the 4.8 miles
    - = chip surface, appropriate clearance
    - = intended to be exclusive for equestrian to separate from bicycle, ped traffic
    - = signage to indicate locations
- Issue raised: the equestrian path needs maintenance, it is overgrown.
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- Discussion of Gresham<->Fairview trail
    - + looking at porous asphalt
    - + no equestrian: too many major arterials that need to be crossed

#### Mel Huie - Metro

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- Bond measure passed so will likely be acquiring land within the Springwater Corridor
    - + Trailhead 800' east of Linneman station
    - + Clackamas County has a local share: any funding should likely come from that
      - => must fit into priorities
    - + Stacy Triplet is managing grants for Metro and is a contact

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#### M.G. Devereux - Oregon State Parks

- Recreational Trails Programs may be a good place to apply for funding
  - Cazadero Trail:
    - + This section is pretty important since it ties Boring to Barton section
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- + Cazadero Trail will start soft surface in order to "get it open"
  - + PGE currently maintains part of it for access to power lines
  - + Issue: two bridges near Barton end
  - + Issue: culvert washouts just outside Boring
  - + Issue: routing in Salvation Army Camp near Barton
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- \* ROW goes through middle of the Camp -> proximity of kids a concern
  - \* very tough geology on either side for a trail -> Deep Creek
  - + State Parks does own the ROW and 50-80' width
  - + it is also a wild life corridor
  - + Canyon is narrow which leads to design problems
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- = no room for separated equestrian path but there is high demand for one
  - = multi-user (equestrian/bike/ped) on same trail
  - may want to look at Measure 66 State Parks funds
  - may want to see about congressional support

Dan Zinzer - Clackamas County

- + Working with City of Portland, Boring CPO on Boring Trailhead

- \* \$40K in plan for survey/master plan

- \* Boring Trailhead park

5 + nothing in 5 year plan for this particular section

- + interested in working with City of Portland on grant

- + concerned that County needs to know what is being committed in terms of maintenance and annual work

10 Les Otto, Jack Valberg - Boring CPO, Boring Parks Committee

- + Citizens: very much want hard surfaced trail

- \* bicyclists are using the narrow, high speed Telford Road as an unsafe alternative

- \* some drive to Rugg Road and park to use the trail

- + Expect to be within the Metro Growth Boundary: important to complete Trail

15 + Boring residents very interested/willing to help/support

- + Jack noted that there is a bit of a water problem at Dee St. in Boring

- Action item: Gregg - have Mart Hughes contact Jack

20 Sally Rask, Debbie Pelham - Boring residents, Oregon Equestrian Trails

- + significant numbers of equestrian users

- + want to make sure equestrians accommodated to maximum extent possible