



DRAFT Land Legacy Committee (LLC) Meeting Agenda
East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District
 Monday, July 27, 2020, 4:00 – 6:00 PM
 Meeting to be Conducted via GoToMeeting

(July 9, 2020)

AGENDA

Item #	Time	Agenda Item	Purpose	Presenter	Packet <i>* please read; ~ please review</i>
1	4:00 5 mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Call to Order Review/revise agenda Previous action items Approval of May 18, 2020 minutes 	Information/ Decision	Till	a) 5/18/2020 Minutes
2	4:05 5 mins	Time reserved for public comment ¹	Information	Public	n/a
3	4:10 10 mins	Update on land protection projects	Information	Shipkey	n/a
<u>Overview:</u> Staff will update the LLC on the NAYA grant, the recently closed Foltz conservation easement, and the 322 nd Ave land protection project.					
4	4:20 70 mins	Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(e) held for discussion of real estate negotiations	Information	Shipkey	n/a
<u>Overview:</u> Staff will discuss the the disposition of EMSWCD property and one or more land conservation projects.					
5	5:30 5 mins	Decisions related to matters discussed in Executive Session (if needed).	Decision	Till	n/a
6	5:35 10 mins	Oregon Agricultural Trust Partnership	Information	Shipkey	n/a
<u>Overview:</u> Staff will provide an update on EMSWCD's current collaboration with the Oregon Agricultural Trust.					
7	5:45 10 mins	Metro Natural Areas bond	Information	Shipkey	a) Testimony provided to Metro Council
<u>Overview:</u> Staff will update the LLC on the status of the Metro Natural Areas bond implementation.					
8	5:55	Closing Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Announcements and Reminders Action Items Adjourn 	Information	Till	n/a

¹ Each member of the public who wishes to speak shall be given approximately 3 minutes.



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EMSWCD Board			LLC	Year	FY20-21 Schedule	Board	LLC
Members	Positions	Officers					
Gabrielle Rossi	Zone 1 Director	Treasurer	X	2020	July	6 th	27 th
Laura Masterson	Zone 2 Director	Vice-Chair	X		August	3 rd	
Mike Guebert	Zone 3 Director		X		September	14 th	28 th
Rick Till	At-Large 1 Director	Secretary	Chair		October	5 th	
Carrie Sanneman	At-Large 2 Director	Chair			November	2 nd	30 th
Dianna Pope	Director Emeritus				December	7 th	
				2021	January	4 th	25 th
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Attendees	
Committee Members	Laura Masterson (arrived at 4:14pm) Carrie Sanneman Rick Till, Chair Gabrielle Rossi
Committee Members Not attending	Mike Guebert
Staff	Matt Shipkey, Land Legacy Program Manager Lindsay Nelson, Office Manager Andrew Brown, Interim Executive Director and Conservation Program Supervisor Dan Mitten, Chief of Finance and Operations Julie DiLeone, Rural Lands Program Supervisor Jeremy Baker, Senior Rural Conservationist
Guests	Art Shavers, Mudbone Grown Shantae Johnson, Mudbone Grown

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1	4:04	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and Call to Order • Review/revise agenda • Previous action items • Approval of March 30, 2020 minutes 	Information/ Decision	Till	a) 3/30/2020 Minutes
<p>Called to order at 4:04pm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shipkey reviewed previous action items. <p>MOTION: Sanneman moved to approve the March 30th, 2020 meeting minutes Rossi 2nd All in favor, motion passes unanimously (3-0 vote. Masterson was not present at the time of vote)</p>					
2	4:07	Time reserved for public comment ¹	Information	Public	n/a
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no comments made by the public. 					

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3	4:09	Presentation from Mudbone Grown	Information	Art Shavers, Shantae Johnson	a) Handout from Mudbone Grown describing their activities *
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Johnson presented an overview of Mudbone Grown detailing how the organization's journey began, who they work with, how they continue to grow, how they have responded to the Covid pandemic, and where they would like to be in the future. 					
4	4:44	Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)€ held for discussion of real estate negotiations	Information	Shipkey	n/a
<p>Executive session entered at 4:44pm Executive session ended at 5:41pm</p>					
5	5:41	Decisions related to matters discussed in Executive Session (if needed).	Decision	Till	n/a
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no decisions made at this time. 					
6	5:41	Oregon Agricultural Trust Partnership	Information	Shipkey	n/a
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shipkey provided details on EMSWCD's current collaboration with the Oregon Agricultural Trust. 					
7	5:46	Land Legacy Committee Composition	Discussion / Possible Decision	Sanneman	n/a
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A brief discussion was held on Sanneman stepping down from the Land Legacy Committee. Shipkey presented potential strategies on how to assure efficiency and continuity with Sanneman's departure from the Land Legacy Committee. Shipkey confirmed calendar dates and times for future Land Legacy Committee meetings. 					
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brown reminded the Committee of the Board meeting scheduled directly after this meeting adjourns. <p>Meeting adjourned at 5:56pm</p>					

<u>Date Generated</u>	<u>Action Items</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Status as of Date of Draft Minutes</u>
May 18	Connect Mudbone with Paul Lumley	Shipkey	When Possible	Complete

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May 18	Develop Gordon Creek disposition proposal	Shipkey	When Possible	Complete
May 18	Develop Mudbone partnership proposal	Shipkey	When Possible	Deferred pending development of the preceding

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Testimony for June 18, 2020 Metro Council Meeting

Hello. For the record my name is Matt Shipkey, and I am the Land Legacy Program Manager for the East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District. I'm making comments on behalf of EMSWCD, as well as my colleagues at the Oregon Agricultural Trust and the Tualatin Soil & Water Conservation District whom are attending this meeting virtually.

Council President and members of council, we've been privileged to be able to talk with many of you over the last several months about the challenges to the future of agriculture within the Portland metro. We're so appreciative of the time you have taken to have a dialogue, and the insights you have shared with us.

These are challenging times – with COVID-19, our continued struggles with inequities of every kind, climate change and other crises. Agriculture is a critical component of addressing so many of these challenges. A secure, local food system has never felt so important as we see the weaknesses of our supply chains, and turn to food for nourishment, comfort and community. As inequities have come into sharper focus, we see more clearly that food security is unequal. We see the potential for sustainable agricultural practices to not just do no harm, but to actually help mitigate climate change. And, we look with concern at the ability of agriculture to continue to persist in the face of farmland conversion and other threats; for example, the American Farmland Trust released a study several weeks ago that identified that in Oregon 11 million acres of farmland were lost to development over the last 20 years, and almost 2/3rds of that loss was due to low-density development which was not related to population growth.

The opportunities to more fully realize the potential of agriculture to address many of our challenges are real, and they are exciting. But realizing them will take a concerted effort and significant resources. Metro's thoughtful leadership on regional issues means you are positioned well to be an important resource. That is why we were so heartened and excited to hear of the inclusion of a working lands program coordinator in Metro's proposed budget, which we wholeheartedly support.

As we understand it, this position will help leverage opportunities with Metro's existing investment in open space lands that have an agricultural component. It will open the door for more dialogue and learning with the agricultural community. And, it will put resources towards tackling the inequities of farmland access for historically disadvantaged farmers and beginning farmers.



We are looking forward to further dialogue with Metro staff over the coming months as the refinement process for the recently adopted Natural Areas Bond kicks off. We are excited to explore how those funds can help realize soil, water and habitat protection and enhancement outcomes while at the same time also securing our imperiled agricultural land base. We feel a real urgency in broadening the opportunities of farmland access for communities of color and beginning farmers, and know that capital investments in land and infrastructure are a necessary component of realizing a more equitable future.

Thank you again, and we look forward to continued dialogue and your suggestions about how you see that conversation continuing.