

Urban and Rural Reserves
Phase 2 Open House – Central Portland
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DRAFT Summary of Public Input

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The central Portland open house was designed to provide an opportunity for input for anyone in the region, in particular Portland residents and those who find a Saturday morning meeting most convenient. Twenty five community members attended the Portland open house in addition to seven staff and two elected officials.

A few responses were received during the open house, written on large table maps, small map-questionnaires and flip charts. A question posed by the Clackamas County Policy Advisory Committee regarding extending the study area boundary south to Highway 211 was also posed to attendees. Some attendees took questionnaires home with them and may mail in responses. All responses from Phase 2 open houses will be compiled at the completion of the open house series.

RESPONSES ON LARGE TABLE MAPS

Below are the verbatim map notes:

- A. [area east of county line on west side of west hills] Good to bring inside UGB. Barker property east of Kaiser, north and south of Germantown Rd. iniwo8c – 00500, iniwo8D – 00400. Total 62 acres. Not suitable for farming and abuts the Bethany development. (503) 690-2031.
- B. [referring to area and comment 1. above] Not good to bring in UGB. Important watershed; natural reserve and wildlife corridor + small acreage As & woodland use – rd system & development costs huge and negative impacts on existing infrastructure & communities. Looks as if owner wants to cash out cap huge windfall (503) 349-7496.
- C. [North of West Union, west of 185th] Don't grow north. Give consideration to growing west.
- D. [Referring to comment 3. above] Bad idea. No transit service.
- E. Propose that corridor ~ 1 mile on either side of Tualatin be designated as a special area with rules & management to preserve as a rural area operating as an urban amenity – including development of parks and protection of agriculture and agriculture-related businesses, wineries, ag product sales, etc.
- F. Dick and Adela Knight, Pleasant Valley Road, Beaverton, OR

1. Do not treat Tualatin River as a geographic boundary for development – 19th Century thinking.
2. Treat river corridor as a resource to utilize as urban amenity, permanent ecological reserves (USFW), bicycling, pocket parks, ?, special sustainable agriculture. Development should enhance & protect role of this corridor.
3. Not that development is irrevocable once it occurs. Any changes in protection must be very cautiously considered.

FLIP CHART NOTES

Below are the verbatim flip chart notes.

- Citizens are often unaware of the process going on in the background with land use attorneys. Need to make sure citizens are engaged in and aware of the complete process.
- How are advisory committee processes and regional Reserves Steering Committee processes coordinated?
- Direct mail is great way to reach citizens letting them know a change in land use is coming.
- Decisions made by end of August will be critical. Sets stage for whole project.
- Make open house materials such as high quality maps more available online. Pleased to see all of this at the open house but couldn't find it online in advance.
- What about undesignated lands?
- What about lands outside Metro jurisdictional boundary? Marion, Yamhill counties, Scappoose, Clark County, etc.
- Are we using models from other urban planning processes? Barton MacKay wrote about rural reserves a century ago. He described the flood of urbanization and the need for dams.
- Can we get the design community involved? How are we communicating with communities around the region, state—Bend, etc.? What is the connection with the Big Look, city master planning?

RESPONSES TO THE HIGHWAY 211 QUESTION

Participants were asked to consider the proposal by Clackamas County Policy Advisory Committee regarding moving the study area boundary to Highway 211. The question was posed as follows:

The Clackamas County Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) would like your opinions on this idea: *Have the study area follow Highway 211, from Sandy to I-5.*

There were two responses to this, noted below.

- Good idea! 0

Why:

- Bad idea! 2

Why:

- Plenty of land for UR in current green line but keep open the idea of a new town to be built in Clackamas County.
- Too far outside

- Other suggestions

What:

RESPONSES TO “HELP SHAPE THE NEXT HALF-CENTURY” SURVEY

One survey was turned in at the meeting with a single section filled in.

Do you have additional Comments or Suggestions?

Check out the Portland Wildfire Hazard Area Map. Contact is: Mark Griswold Wilson, (503) 823- 1693, (503) 823-6736 cell, email mwilson@ci.portland.or.us