



September 2015 Community Meeting Appendix of Presentation Flipchart Comments

COMMENT FORMS

The following are verbatim responses to the Presentation that were collected on the flipcharts during the community meetings.

1) Agri-tourism/Farm Stands/Wineries

- 9/9/15 (West County)
 - Does it prevent wineries from holding weddings, etc.
 - To set up small farm stand with veggies from garden need permit? Basic farm stand size?
- 9/16/15 (East County)
 - Land zoned rural residential, too many restrictions - taxes on property go up 10% every year
 - County restrictions should not be more restrictive than the state's
 - What does it mean that a farmstand's promotional events relate to what the farm sells
 - What does it mean "lots of people" at event
 - Why can't you promote your farm in the off season without producing a new product
 - Can you have a band come to promote your farm? Pumpkin festival with concert for example.
 - Why more restrictions now - small community
 - Primary functions - but Horning's Hideout has many events - restrictions based on acreage - why not let people use every aspect of their property

2) Farm and Forest Lands

- 9/9/15 (West County)
 - Clarification on how process relates to establishing rural reserves
 - Is this unincorporated MultCo?
 - Property expansion proposals – how does that apply to right of way easement?
 - If exceed state minimum requirements what are they, etc.
 - If you assemble smaller parcels into larger, how does that affect the rights of smaller parcel owners – loss of use. Are you required to aggregate?
 - Who graphs comp plan
 - Defining streams too broadly
- 9/16/15 (East County)
 - Accessory dwelling units. State law prohibits. State legislature should look at state policy on accessory dwelling units - county.
 - Have the numbers for accessory dwellings been quantified? If state legislature changed. Corbett does not have the numbers to provide money for schools, etc. - would help this.
 - With land use restrictions - makes it very hard to build on own property - 100 ft restriction from dwelling.
 - Accessory dwelling - community members do not support more/changed policy.
 - Accessory unit - how many acres are EFU/CFU in Multnomah County

3) Natural Hazards

- 9/9/15 (West County)
 - How can you justify using Cornelius Pass as a route for fuel tankers – fire danger
 - How does slope affect one's ability to replace dwelling
 - With expanding overlays – protecting land/wildlife vs. developing on one's own land
 - Have we had slides at this percentage – why are we lowering percentage
 - If your house destroyed by natural disaster do the overlays prevent you from building in the same spot
 - For outbuilding – having to pay a lot due to overlays
- 9/16/15 (East County)
 - Wildfires - brush continuing to grow - flammable. Natural resource policies seem to promote brush growth for the environment - consistency.
 - Brushfires start next to roads

4) Natural Resource Protection

- 9/9/15 (West County)
 - People should come to the meetings to see the policy
 - Is there any talk of letting people with forest protection switch to wildlife protection?
 - Who buys wetlands from the property owner? What do you do if your land is wetland?
 - Proposed mountain bike trail – bad idea. Worried about impact to wildlife

- How is this taking into consideration the acreage set aside by Metro?
- Between Cornelius Pass & Germantown, concern if changes would prevent someone building a home on their property
- WashCo development – Wildlife
- 9/16/15 (East County)
 - Metro, county, came together on stream regulations - made impact on property. Introducing this process now - shading properties on map - more restrictions - will we be notified with enough time? And how?
 - Sandy River Protection property - already many restrictions - will this mean more?
 - Want to build on property - buffer zone prevents a lot of building - can build attachments - need better notification
 - Since 1968 - changes have made life harder - higher taxes - pushing Portland values
- 9/25/15 (Web based)
 - I am very much in favor of the proposed policy recommendations regarding wildlife habitat, particularly Policy #3, to work and coordinate with ODFW to administer the Wildlife Habitat tax deferral program. I am eligible for this program, but there is no one at the state level who is accepting and reviewing applications. Still, I have been doing all that I can to improve and preserve habitat, with no tax break for my efforts. Help me out. Perhaps soil and water conservation districts could serve as review and approval agents for the state.

5) Rural Centers

- 9/9/15 (West County)
 - For commercial use, it must be in a commercial zone?
 - Taking 15,000 for new construction?
 - How many rural centers in MultCo not in Sauvie Island
 - Should Plainview (grocery at Cornelius) be zoned for rural center?
 - Is Corbett a rural reserve?
- 9/16/15 (East County)
 - Orient Dr & 282nd Ave, Mustard Rd & 282nd, Industrial sites are not being used for things that benefit the community - traffic.
 - Coffee shop at Orient - trying to sell, Multnomah Co chased away a buyer - concerned that he won't be able to sell. Only thing MultCo seems to allow is MJ business. 51% restriction needs to go

5) Transportation

- 9/9/15 (West County)
 - How will you reduce traffic pressures
 - Changing traffic patterns over St John's. Newberry. Germantown.
 - Cornelius Pass – not designed for what it's used for. Trucks slowing down traffic.
 - More public transportation – Cornelius Pass. More stops. Full length skyline.
 - Bikes, space, safety

- Only one lane at Germantown to St John's need more
- Increased railroad traffic
- # of cars that sit at side of Burlington
- Are these problems that need to be addressed statewide – trucks
- 100s of people involved in the plan – need to address these issues on an enforcement level. Truckers speeding
- Out of states using rural roads. Remove incentive
- Reduce restrictions on zoning. People make a living at home decrease traffic
- West MultCo seems like it's turning into a place that people just pass through. Policy does not improve vibrancy
- 9/16/15 (East County)
 - How do we get bikers to use bike trails? Groups of bikes taking up whole road. Telford Rd
 - Bike path on Marine Dr is never used - can't use roads with car because of bikers - less closed roads due to bike events
 - Public transportation - are we looking into investment into public transit in East Co?
 - Forcing revenue from bicyclists? Are we looking into avenues to do that?
 - Bike paths with 6 ft extension - tension between pro bike/anti bike - bikers not staying on roads. Are we looking into bike paths again?
 - Metro 50 year plan - didn't want to have more breakdowns of resources - sidewalks, etc.
 - Questions are policy related - can't make opinion without more info
 - biking is recreation - shouldn't have to fund someone's recreation
 - more method for county to meet intentions of project - flexibility for planners different than hearings officer