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Kate McQuillan
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Multnomah County Department of Community Services
Transportation Division - Planning and Development
1600 SE 190th Avenue
Portland, OR 97233

RE: Right-of-Way Vacation Extension Request - Burlington Forest

Dear Ms. McQuillan and Mr. Hinds:

Metro initiated a proposal to vacate platted right of ways within the Burlington Plat. Pursuant to Multnomah County Road Rules 14.400.B, Metro respectfully requests an additional 60 days to submit a vacation application.

Section 14.400.B states that a vacation petition should be filed within 180 days from the date of the Preliminary Feasibly Study (PFS) notice issued by the County. The code also provides that a petitioner may be allowed an additional 60 days to submit the vacation petition, if requested for good cause.

In this matter, the County's PFS notice is dated September 19, 2018. The vacation petition would be due March 18, 2019. Metro requests an extension until May 17, 2019 in which to submit a vacation petition.

Metro has been and is currently in discussion with ODOT, PGE, and the Burlington Water District, who all own property adjacent to the right of way proposed for vacation. Metro has requested their consent signatures and the agencies are currently reviewing the draft vacation petition. The matter takes time to work through the respective agencies' review procedures. Metro is intending to submit a petition with 100% consent. The additional time is needed to do so.

If you have any question or concerns, please contact me directly at 503-797-1600 or gary.shepherd@oregonmetro.gov. I thank you for your time and assistance with these matters.

Sincerely,

Gary Shepherd

Office of Metro Attorney