

Neighborhood Coordination and Collaboration

BAC Discussion Outline - 5.5.10

Objectives

- Develop greater public understanding about the Portland bicycle program, the *Portland Bicycle Plan for 2030*, the potential benefits for overall community livability for all city residents, and the value of incorporating the bike plan into the Portland Plan - whether they ride bikes or not.
- Create greater public support for the implementation of *the Portland Bicycle Plan for 2030*.
- Solidify neighborhood support for bicycle projects and programs before specific proposals begin preliminary design.
- Establish an on-going two-way dialogue between PBOT/BAC and the neighborhoods regarding the plan, its implementation, and potential projects/programs.

Activities

BAC and PBOT staff should create an introductory presentation for city neighborhood coalitions and associations about the *Portland Bicycle Plan for 2030*.

- Roger's Power Point presentation to the City Council could provide the basis for this presentation.
- The presentation should include a segment that is focused on plan elements, projects, and programs that are proposed for each neighborhood coalition.
- Information about the new bicycle treatments and designs (e.g., advisory bicycle lanes) should be included.
- In addition to informing the neighborhoods about the bicycle program, encourage discussion about neighborhood questions and concerns. For example, the \$600 m plan cost and the \$20 m green street decisions need to be explained and put into context. PBOT/BAC should be prepared to respond to neighborhood issues and concerns regarding implementation of the bike plan.

Identify BAC members to be a liaison with the 7 neighborhood coalitions in the city.

BAC liaisons and PBOT staff make the introductory presentation to the neighborhood coalitions.

- BAC liaisons to also make presentations to neighborhood associations as necessary.
- Neighborhood coalitions include (see map):
 - North Portland Neighborhood Services (NPNS),
 - Central Northeast Neighbors (CNN),
 - East Portland Neighborhood Office (EPNO),
 - Neighbors West-Northwest (W/NW),
 - Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods (NECN),
 - Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Coalition (SEUL), and
 - Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. (SWNI).

- Identify ways in which the neighborhoods would like to be proactively engaged in setting project priorities and reviewing facility design and construction, such as bike boulevards (community greenways).

Working with the coalitions and neighborhoods, establish regular opportunities (e.g., quarterly, annually) for the liaison and/or PBOT staff to be on meeting agendas to provide bike program updates and to discuss neighborhood issues and suggestions.

- Neighborhood coalitions often have full agendas, and the BAC/PBOT will need to work with them to determine what meeting frequency and agenda time allotment will work best.
- Once potential bicycle improvement projects are identified, the BAC liaison/PBOT staff should get on the agendas of the affected coalitions before the design and “official” public involvement phase begins for these projects.

Discussion Questions

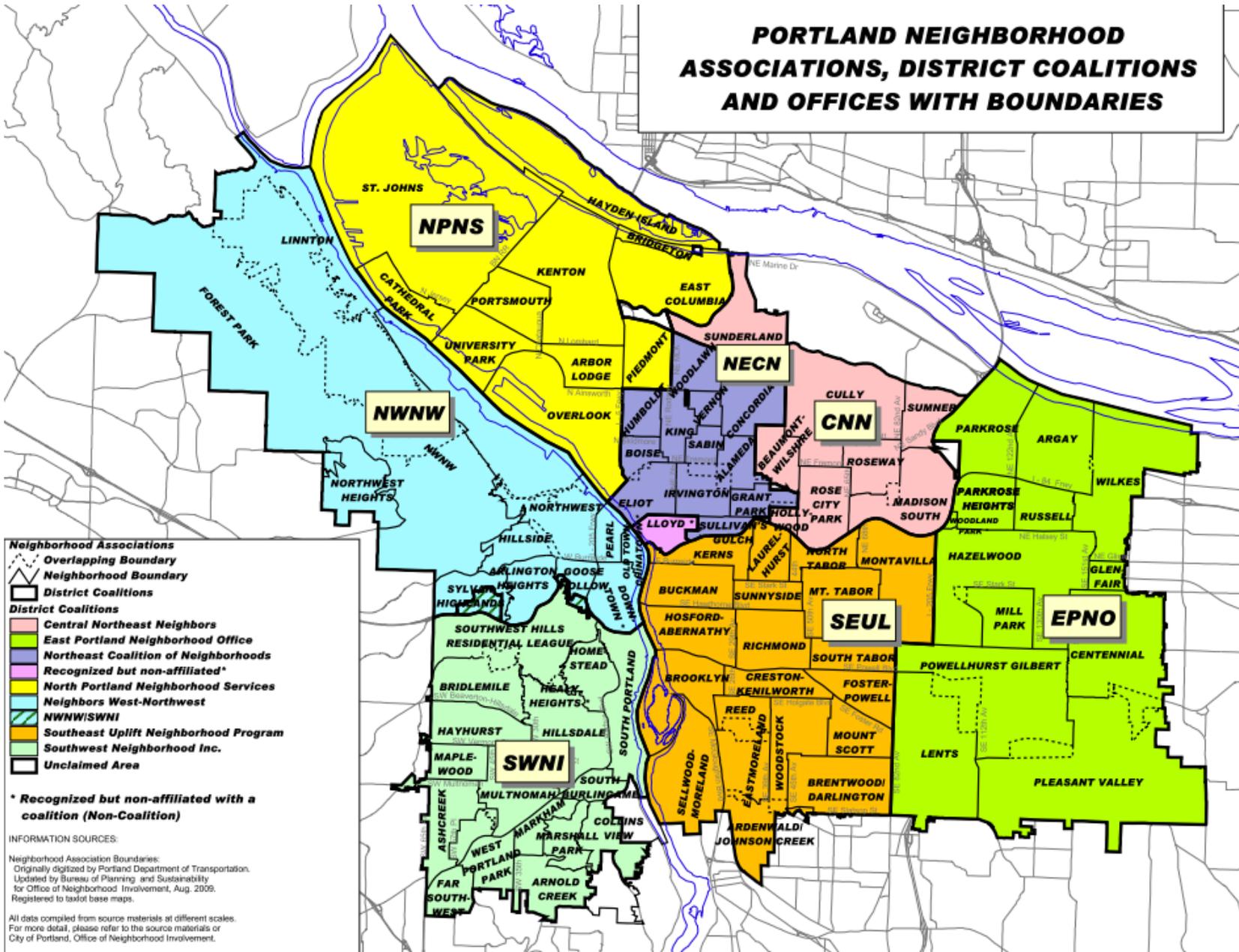
Will the PBOT staff have the time to commit to this additional public involvement work?

Do we have BAC representatives who are willing to be neighborhood coalition liaisons?

How can we maintain the discipline to retain this as an on-going activity?

What other strategies should PBOT and BAC consider to gain wide community support for implementation of the *Portland Bicycle Plan for 2030*? Should these activities be expanded to include other important organizations and committees (e.g., Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Portland Business Alliance, Portland Streetcar, Inc., business associations)?

PORTLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS, DISTRICT COALITIONS AND OFFICES WITH BOUNDARIES



- Neighborhood Associations**
- Overlapping Boundary
 - Neighborhood Boundary
 - District Coalitions
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- Central Northeast Neighbors
 - East Portland Neighborhood Office
 - Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods
 - Recognized but non-affiliated*
 - North Portland Neighborhood Services
 - Neighbors West-Northwest
 - NWNW/SWNI
 - Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Program
 - Southwest Neighborhood Inc.
 - Unclaimed Area

* Recognized but non-affiliated with a coalition (Non-Coalition)

INFORMATION SOURCES:
 Neighborhood Association Boundaries:
 Originally digitized by Portland Department of Transportation.
 Updated by Bureau of Planning and Sustainability
 for Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Aug. 2009.
 Registered to taxlot base maps.

All data compiled from source materials at different scales.
 For more detail, please refer to the source materials or
 City of Portland, Office of Neighborhood Involvement.