

## Follow up items from November 16<sup>th</sup> 2011 BAC meeting

1. How long does it take to flush the entire PWB system?
2. How does one get info on project?
3. Listing of projects Water funds through other Bureaus:
  - a. Endangered Species Act (ESA) with the Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) at \$40,000.

### Background information:

- When the BES ESA group was formed, Portland decided to fund their staff via contributions from all the bureaus that needed support for ESA issues. BES supports PWB in a couple of ways: 1) they maintain a Permitting Streamlining Team of most of the pertinent regulators. PWB projects are presented to the team to determine permitting strategies and approaches. 2) the BES program manager follows developing trends in the ESA and reports them back to the PWB. 3) some PWB staff have directly asked for permitting input from BES when PWB staff have been too busy or it is about non-fish issues. 4) PWB has asked BES staff some questions about wildlife.
- b. Green Streets Initiative with BES at \$92,000.

The Green Streets Initiative was a Council directive in the FY 2007-08 Budget Note. The Note states: "By October 1, 2007, the Bureau of Environmental Services, Office of Transportation and the Water Bureau will develop estimated "percent for green" contributions for FY 2007-08, based on estimated construction costs for qualifying projects as defined in the City's Green Streets Policy. These estimates will be budgeted as cash transfers in the 2007 Fall BuMP. Every fiscal year thereafter Water budget an estimated cost and true up in the Fall BuMP process.

- c. City Energy Program with Bureau of Planning and Sustainability at \$15,000. The Bureau pays a portion of the salary for the City's energy conservation specialist.

This arrangement was set up in response to the 1991 City Energy Challenge, a citywide effort to reduce energy use, increase efficiency, and use more renewable energy sources.

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Services provided to the Water Bureau include monitoring and analysis of state and federal legislation, technical advice on energy efficient and renewables technology (e.g., lighting, motors, solar, microhydro), and assistance with accessing energy-related incentive payments and services via grants, partnerships, and contracts.

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