

River View Natural Area - Project Update

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The City/Consultant team is continuing to work on the many plan components and needs more time to critically look at habitat protection, trail placement, and access/parking since hearing from the Project Advisory Committee in January and the Collins View Neighborhood Association in February. The following are the updated project schedule and the components we are continuing to refine. Thank you for your continued interest.

Schedule Update

- 1. Next PAC meeting middle of June 2014 draft plan presentation
- 2. Second Open House the second week of July 2014 revised draft plan presentation with a two week comment period
- 3. Final PAC meeting late September/early October 2014 draft final plan
- 4. Plan completion at the end of December

Continued Work

The City/Consultant Team will continue to work on:

- Complete the ecological work for protection of core habitat and riparian areas, and ecological prescriptions.
- Develop site-specific design criteria for dogs, walking/hiking trails, mountain biking trails, viewing areas, and
 gathering space. These criteria will be used to evaluate whether dogs on leash will be allowed/not allowed;
 location of walking/hiking trails and viewing areas; allowance and location of mountain biking trails if
 appropriate; and educational activities.
- Continue to evaluate areas for parking and access, including working with Lewis and Clark College and River View Cemetery.
- Develop the draft plan showing core habitat, riparian areas, trails and viewing areas, parking and access, and management recommendations.

Onsite Activity

- 1. Restoration work planted 50,000 trees and shrubs and removal of invasive species.
- 2. Continued allowed use for walking/hiking and bicycling on trails open to the public enjoy spring as the trees leaf out and birds sing. If the trails are too wet and you can see your tracks, please do not recreate at River View Natural Area until the trails dry.
- 3. Dogs must be on leash at all times.

Project Website

http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/riverview

All information is posted on the website. We will continue to update the website with meeting dates and site information.

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