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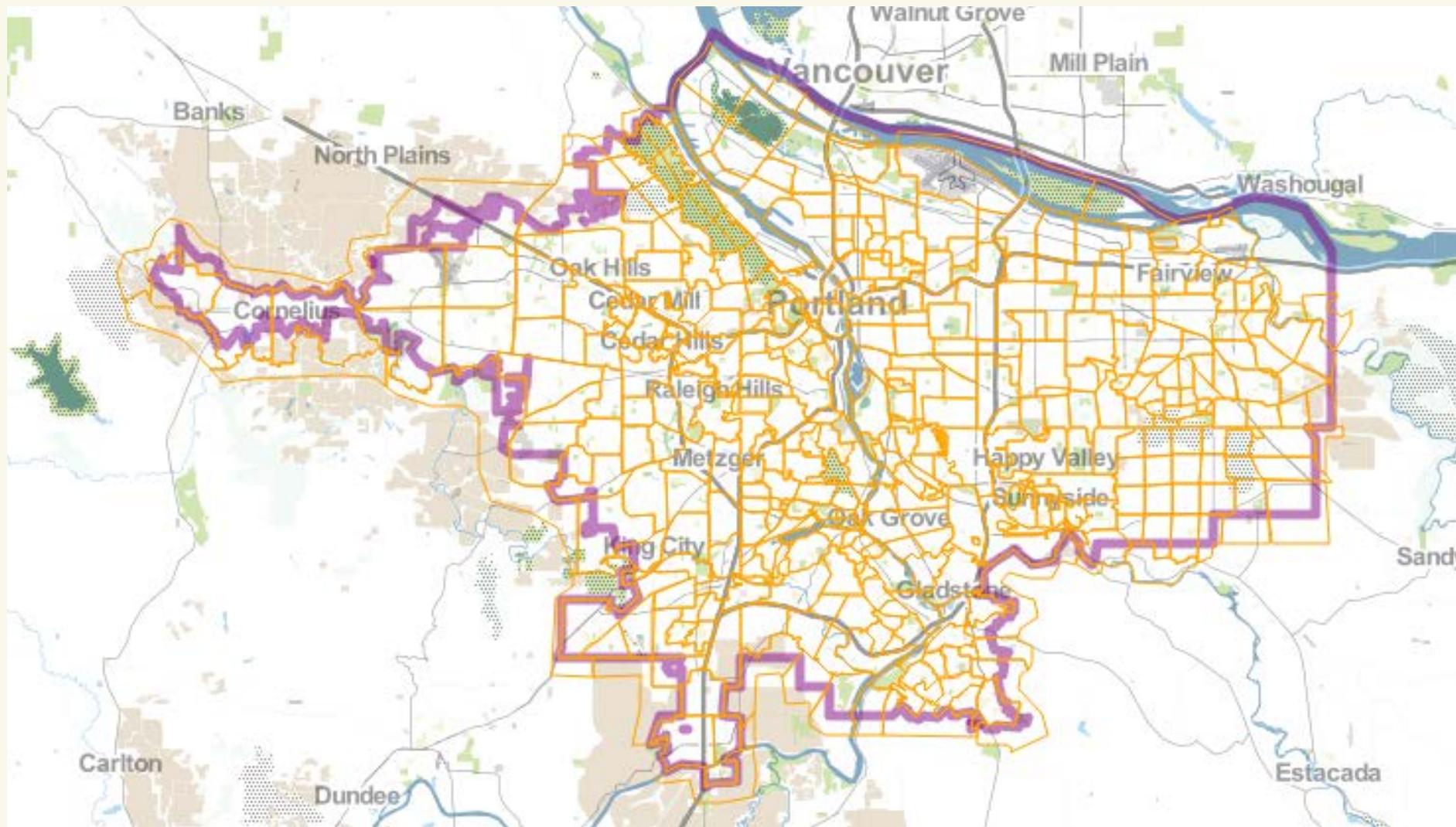
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL STORYTELLING

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By the numbers

- **13.1 million trees over 50 feet tall**
- **923 tree over 200 feet!**
- **131 thousand trees in Forest Park alone!**
- **85 stories**
 - **From 39 neighborhoods**
 - **Diverse topics: regional history, personal/family history, childhood memories, community building, tree advocacy, outdoor recreation**
- **Where we've been:**
 - **Facebook & Instagram**
 - **4 Local News Stories**
 - **5 Environmental Organization Newsletters**
 - **5 Elementary, Middle School, and University classes**
 - **14 Farmers Markets, Sunday Parkways, and Street Fairs**
 - **Countless Library, Community Center, and other community boards!**

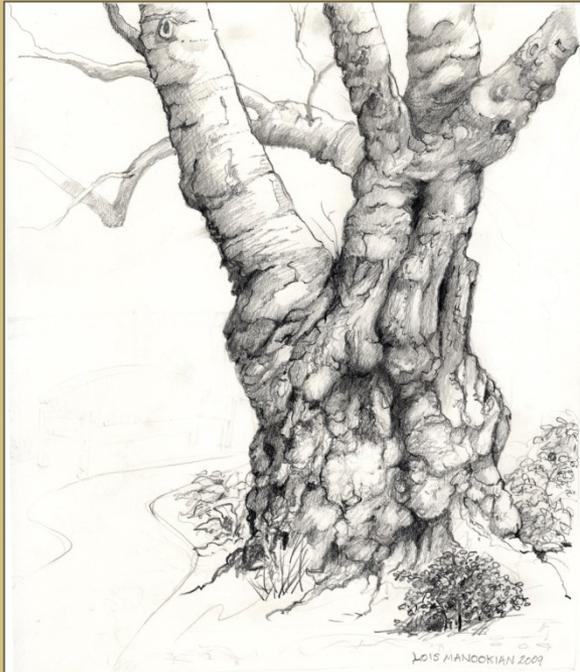
Jennings Lodge- Cris W. - 9.21.2017

This Scotch pine tree was one of those tiny saplings you get in a pot at Christmastime. It was with my mother when she died. We care for that tree through ten years and four or five moves before it arrived at its final home in our yard. We call it "Mom's tree."

Community
Building &
Sharing
Memories

Linwood - Ivan. (age 6) - 8.10.2017

My grandma has a cedar tree that is great for climbing! The end.



Sullivans Gulch - Jack M. - 8.27.2017

In the courtyard of Holladay Park Plaza, our retirement home, stands a magnificent London Plane Tree. It is over 100 years old, and first sat behind a beautiful old home on Wasco Street, which was removed to build our structure. We have always called this tree "our sycamore", and so as residents turn 100 years old here, we once a year present them with a framed certificate stating their name, date, and a beautiful pen and ink drawing of our tree. Most other days we sit under it, knowing what a quiet presence it is in our lives, and how lucky we are to have it here.

Kerns- David H. - 8.25.2017

Most of the Douglas firs in Oregon Park date to the 1910s and were planted on the property of Rachel Hawthorne. She donated her two square block parcel to The Boys and Girls Aid Society. A large receiving house stood to the west. The trees provided shelter and a playground for the children who had to work to feed themselves and rarely got much time for recess. Most of the trees were saved in 1946 when Portland Parks purchased the lot and eventually developed Oregon Park.

Regional History



GIRLS' PLAY SHED

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South Burlingame - Micah E. - 10.27.2017

170 foot Douglas fir, One of the tallest trees in the zone of the proposed Macadam Ridge Development. A cluster of several others on the canyon/ridge facing Southwest Taylor's Ferry Road, reach heights of about 150-170 ft, which is rather tall for urban Douglas fir. Hopefully these are retained as a buffer, if any plans do go forward to the effect of a development.

Advocacy

Mt. Tabor - Darvel L. - 9.10.2017

This big Douglas fir has always been my favorite Portland tree, since I first measured it a decade ago, determining it to be the largest (and maybe the oldest) Douglas fir in the park, and one of the city's largest. It stands on a steep SW-facing slope a short distance above a popular trail leading to the hill's summit. At nearly 20 in circumference at ave. breast height, it used to be much taller than 152 feet, before ice storms broke its top. The tree's age is estimated to be around 350 years, surviving wildfires, logging, and agricultural development, and numerous storms. I'm considering nominating it as a Portland Heritage Tree.



Upcoming:

- **Deadline to share stories for 2017 report: November 30, 2017**
- **Website Improvement Focus Group (contact for details): November**
- **Collecting stories today! Share at the Canopy Stories table.**

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