

Oregon Country Fair Land Use Management Planning (LUMP) committee meeting February 10, 2015

Map subcommittee at 6:30: Dennis, Jason, Joseph, Shane, Bear, Robert, & Thom.  
Go-to-Meeting: D.J.

Bear & Gene & Jason have had separate conversations around coordinating all the current mapping at the Fair. They will have a sit-down meeting to discuss all the people who have data who will be represented by them, & form a plan to collaborate.

Jason has 7 GIS interns who are working on other projects. Will shift a couple of them to OCF projects in a few weeks.

He has the LIDAR from Lane County, shipped on hard drive, has backed it up in triplicate, will store raw data here at the office. There are 3 pieces. One is the DM: topographic map, a picture that records elevation everywhere that the LIDAR shot. We also got high resolution aerial imagery. They do it in the winter, leaf-off, so we can see the ground more clearly. We have everything east of the lots, but no lots except Crafts Lot. We have the 8, but no Piggy's except the very tip. We have another layer called highest hit, with which we can measure the vegetation & building heights (& show them with separate colors.) We now have an extremely accurate record of the river channel (as of when the plane flew, 2 years ago) to use as a base for erosion studies. Will have the interns take publicly available data & create a base document that could be used as reference images, & put it into a format useful for the Fair. They can start with Google Earth, which is free, & can introduce them to a bunch of issues that are problematic when using historical data. Dennis says the UO library also has a collection of historical images we could use. Jason says that could be part of the next step.

Because the McKenzie Fair maps are so similar every year, says Bear, they don't sell well, & Peter doesn't make any money off them, even though we're charged only printing costs.

7:00 PM LUMP at OCF town office

Dennis, Jason, Joseph, Shane, Bear, Robert, Thom, Rachel, & Bennet. Go-to-Meeting DJ, & Steve

Minutes were approved.

#### Public comments

Steve on the Ponds Project: if the Fair ever wants to do another wetlands restoration project, Steve would come back & work on it. He's networked with City of Veneta & Long Tom Watershed Council. News that Charlie's leaving doesn't help because he's familiar with the project & with those folks. Project would do a lot to improve Fair's wetland capacity, a problem we've had since we acquired the Far Side. Creates excellent habitat in the Walden purchase, Would involve critical cooperation with Veneta and the Long Tom Watershed Council, would need grants, but it's worth doing & should be part of our mandate for that property. Implementation: the first grant should be for a project coordinator, who would then pull together everything we need to do. It's too much for a current employee.

Permanent bridge across the Long Tom: Steve is very familiar with railroad car bridges, which is certainly an application that would work there. We should also consider Tim Walden's design—an elegant suspension bridge, minimal ground intrusion, suspended deck. Problem with the railroad flatbed car in that location is the U.S. Corps of Engineers have some jurisdiction there, & if they or the county require abutments, could require a big mass of concrete on each bank. Tim's design could work more naturally with the area, & may well be cost competitive.

Dennis says we're waiting for the right person to step forward as ponds project coordinator. Likes the idea of applying for a grant to pay that person a salary or stipend.

What Tim designed, says Dennis, is a pedestrian bridge. Maybe could be modified to handle up to a tractor. Jason says we won't be able to get a permit unless we can set it back 1.25 times the actual channel width. We'd need 100 feet, & the suspension points on the railroad cars are designed to be suspended at 60 feet, not at the tips.

Shane says we have to build a road there; that was part of our agreement with the City. If we had a permanent bridge we could also start thinking of parts of the Fair Side as possible public areas. On the other hand, there are a lot of other things we could use \$50,000 for. Dry storage, says Shane. Joseph thinks we

should commit the committee to saying this is an investment we should make. Maybe we could get a grant if we put art on it says Rachel. Shane would love to get over there and do work before the Fair.

Staff report: Shane says the site's flooding.

Old business

Review sections of the on-line LUMP manual at <http://oregoncountryfair.net/Pages/Committees/LandUseManagementPlanning/LumpManual2013Test.html>

Zone Descriptions no changes to current zone 12. Malden Marsh description: change seedlings to saplings (cows are gone.) Zone 15 – 11 acres west of Ridiculous Road. Delete cattle grazing.

Electrical Power Plan needs to go to the electricians for further review – Shane will get that to Michael Head. Change warehouse to Ware Barn. Add “more device charging stations” to goals. Add power to DUG's Green.

Roads Plan add qualifier that Cord Road is now impassible. Maps showing emergency routes are circulated every year. South Park & Aero are scheduled for improvements. (Dennis corrects his paper copy of the actual manual with committee's extensive revisions)

Security/Land Use Plan no changes

Wetlands Plan no changes

Water Plan Dennis will draft a paragraph about wastewater disposal. This is the only purpose for the Community Center, says Joseph. (Dennis corrects his paper copy of the actual manual with committee's extensive revisions)

Archeology Plan DJ hasn't looked at it in a long time. Looked comprehensive last time he looked. New space is under the same constraints – we just don't know where these people lived. DJ will check & get changes to Dennis this week.

Recycling Plan Thom says we worked on this last year, still looks up to date.

New business: Robert sees applications for art projects for the area formerly known as Crafts Lot—do people realize they can't pound things into the ground? DJ's been out there helping to find lost stakes that went in as part of the art stuff last year. We're a little looser about stakes out there than we would be in a known site. Big holes went into the ground under the Dragon, likewise the wall behind Stage Left.

March meeting: Jason suggests we solicit requests from Shane for things that we can help with. Culvert replacements? Particular siting concerns that are going unmet? Structural stuff? Permitting?

Robert thinks we should do something with restoration grants.

We could piggyback on Fair hiring for partial fte's, says Jason.

Joseph will try to get something together for Green Zones.

Dennis will give finished sections to Robert, who will put them up as they come in.

Next meeting Tuesday, March 10