

OCF LUMP committee meeting November 15, 2022 6:00 – 8:00 PM on line

Land Acknowledgment: We engaged in a discussion of the history of Indigenous tribal heritage in the southern Willamette Valley.

Dennis Todd: facilitator & scribe, Steve Wisnovsky, Paxton Hoag, Sierra McComas, Bobbi Jo Newton, Glenn Johnson, Robert Albano, DJ & Ann Rogers, Kevin Hillery, Vickie Grek, Thom Barr, Jain Elliott: scribe.

Board Report: Paxton. Election of new board members. Robin resigned. Fair Care is in the final stages of drafting grievance documents and will hold a zoom meeting open to Fair Family on 12/8/22 at 6:00 PM. Dug's Green is being fixed up. Chillville roof is done. Dishwasher is installed in the winery building. Spending Shuttered Event grant money. We were given three geodesic domes, now figuring out where and how to use them. They may or may not need foundations. Kirsten is working on turning the winery building into a meeting room. Big Bird will need to be rebuilt.

Site Manager Report: Sierra. LRAPA is looking into permits for burn piles. Buildings and pipes have been winterized.

Old business:

We discussed whether a work group focusing on the Emerald Ash Borer should be a Board-appointed work group or a LUMP subcommittee. The committee decided that the latter would be the best initial approach. Kevin and Glenn agreed to be co-convenors. Robert thinks group should provide a ballpark estimate of what funds will be needed. Dennis says we're not prepared to recommend any policy changes, other than adding issues to the guidelines, which we've done. Steve says a fair amount of the canopy in Traffic is ash. We could go through the 8 and tag ash trees, to give folks an idea of what we're going to lose. Dennis says we should do this next spring when they'll be easy to identify, especially in the 8. Subcommittee can also investigate possible replacement species, effects of climate change, what species are impacted by diseases (forest health specialist from OSU said black oak's subject to sudden oak death.) Need to mobilize resources to help Sierra prepare for whatever we need to do. Bobbi Jo says diversity will be important when we look at replacement species. Kevin doesn't think people understand the scale of what is coming. We need maps, and we need a count, general, or grid patterns, or estimates. The best we have so far is Steve's "thousands and thousands." Would like an article on the history of tree planting at the Fair, what has worked, what have we done in the past? "Assisted Tree Migration" is helping trees move up to meet climate change. Not sure he's up for that. Would like to have areas where you can plant whatever you want, other areas where we keep it as natural as possible. Steve says we have a policy on site that we plant only native or indigenous, what's already there. Dennis says sometimes we expand it to trees that are found elsewhere in the watershed. Kevin and Glenn agree to co-convene the LUMP sub-committee, with Dennis, Paxton, Steve, and (according to DJ) Ann. Dennis recommends recruiting Fair folks with knowledge and skills who are not here now. We all agree.

Discuss work plan items: Robert wants to recruit younger LUMP members. Bobbi Jo wants to get the Green Zones work touched up and published.

Dennis—What about the bridge to the Far Side? Paxton says Sierra's on top of this. We don't really know what the County wants. If we can scale up the current bridge so we can get a gator across it that

might suffice. Sierra's talked to Thom Lanfear, who wants to do some digging into getting our current bridge re-permitted for the next year. Everyone's trying to figure out where the County is in the permitting process. Steve says Tim Wolden's work included concerns about bridges that are left up all year being hit with log jams during floods. Dennis has those plans, has linked them on the Path Planning website. Wouldn't need any armoring or concrete work on the bank, minimal impact on archeology. Thom remembers we were considering a bridge large enough for a fire truck, which would be expensive. Steve says the location we're using now involves cut banks that were used by the original wagon train crossings. Bobbi Jo says the trail that leads off from the bridge we have now is not something a fire truck can use. Paxton—ambulance gators and fire gators are what we're looking at, not something that involves the US Corps of Engineers. Dennis says there are only 2 places that the banks are stable enough for a bridge—this is one, and the other's not usable for many reasons. Glenn wants a sign with historical info about the wagon train crossing. Dennis says we'd like the family to be aware of the site's significance, but not the public aware that we have a bridge there.

Action items: establishment of the new EAB subcommittee, recruiting new members. Dennis is happy to use his zoom account to set up meetings.

Next meeting December 13th 6:00 to 8:00 at the Fair office (we hope) and on line.