



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT: Public Hearing Notice Related to the Salem River Crossing Project

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Salem is in the process of modifying the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB), amending the Salem Transportation System Plan, and taking an exception to the statewide planning goal related to the Willamette River Greenway in order to accommodate the proposed location of a new bridge across the Willamette River. This proposed bridge location is called the "Preferred Alternative" and it was identified by the Salem River Crossing Oversight Team in 2014 after extensive public outreach and community input.

You are being contacted now because you own property that is proposed to be brought into the Urban Growth Boundary and is within or near the Preferred Alternative study area associated with the alignment of the proposed bridge. The current zoning for your property is not being changed as a result of this process. If the proposal is approved and your property is included in the Salem-Keizer Urban Growth Boundary, the comprehensive plan designation for your property will change from Polk County Comprehensive Plan designation of "Agriculture" to Salem Area Comprehensive Plan designation of "Parks and Open Space." A copy of the public hearing notice is attached. Maps and additional information about the plan amendments needed to accommodate the proposed bridge location are available at:

www.cityofsalem.net/CA16-04

The Salem City Council, Keizer City Council, Marion County Board of Commissioners, Polk County Board of Commissioners, and Keizer and Polk County Planning Commissions will hold a joint public hearing on Wednesday, October 12, 2016, starting at 6 pm, at the City of Salem Senior Center (Center 50+), 2615 Portland Road NE, Salem, Oregon, to hear testimony and consider the proposed amendments needed to accommodate the Preferred Alternative bridge location.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact me at 503-588-6211 or jwarncke@cityofsalem.net.

Sincerely,

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