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# **Letters to the Editor**

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ing design with multiple driveways and lack of shoulders makes Garden Home Road unacceptable for detour traffic. Signs should be placed at both ends of this road segment discouraging traffic from using this route when the corresponding section of Multnomah Boulevard is closed.

Stephen Sykes of the Bureau of Environmental Services has done an excellent job communicating with our neighborhood associations about the project. We appreciate his efforts to be responsive to our comments, but want to be sure that the decisionmakers for this project understand our concerns regarding the environmental impacts and transportation needs and incorporate them into the project design and contracts.

Brian Russell President, Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc.

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# **Capitol Hill Road**

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donations and begin developing strategy on fund raising efforts. "The wheels have begun churning with fund raising ideas so please don't be shy with your suggestions,"

Stevens later said that he "wanted to let everyone know that the Multnomah N.A. vote has been officially recorded in the City's project file as 80 percent in favor. The two hand counts of the vote I took resulted in 16 in favor, 4 opposed, thus the 80-percent."

"And, according to Stevens, "Thanks should go to Lisa (Broten) and Mellani (Calvin) for their many hours of hard work in making this a successful project -- a project that would have undoubtedly failed without their dedication."

-Don Snedecor

#### Letter to Sen. Wyden endorses **Hoot Owl Corner redesign**

On another traffic issue the same evening, MNA members voted unani-

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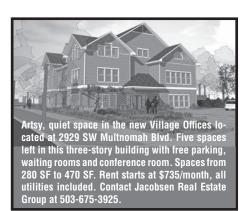
mously to send a letter to Senator Ron Wyden endorsing the City of Portland's 30th/Vermont Avenue/Capitol Highway Intersection Improvements project, which he submitted to the Senate Appropriations Committee for funding for 2010.

The project aims to make the "Hoot Owl corner" intersection safer for pedestrians, bikers, and cars by eliminating the "slip" lane and creating a traditional "T" style intersection.

MNA members voiced concerns that all of the businesses and residents near the intersection should be consulted before designers finalize the plan. Some members felt uncomfortable supporting a project they had not examined thoroughly, and many were unsure what the proposed design looked like.

But Chairman Randy Bonella encouraged the group not to delay their vote about the letter because endorsements from each neighborhood affected by the redesign are crucial to its progress as a "shovel-ready" project. In the end, the association agreed to send the letter

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# **Legal Notices**

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

City of Gresham Oregon Project No. 13466-000

> Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Competing Applications

> > (June 9, 2009)

On May 15, 2009, the City of Gresham (permittee), filed an application for a three-year preliminary permit under Section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)<sup>1</sup> to study the feasibility of the proposed 50-kilowatt (kW) City of Gresham Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall Hydroelectric Project No. 13466. The project would be located in Multnomah County, Oregon. The existing City of Gresham Wastewater Treatment Plant (plant) and outfall is owned by the permittee. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

Under current operating conditions, treated wastewater (effluent) from the plant is discharged into three parallel outfall pipes. These three pipes combine into a single pipeline before discharging the effluent into the Columbia River. Under the permittee's proposal, effluent in one of the existing three parallel pipes would flow into a powerhouse to generate electricity before returning to the existing pipeline system. The project would consist of: (1) an existing 3,650-foot-long, 4-foot-diameter outfall pipe directing effluent from the plant to the powerhouse and from the powerhouse to the final outfall pipe; (2) a new 12-foot-high, 16-foot-long concrete powerhouse; (3) a new single turbine/generator unit with an installed capacity of 50 kW; (4) a new 10-foot-long, 10-foot-wide concrete building to house additional controls and equipment; (5) an existing 650-foot-long, 4.5-foot-diameter outfall pipe discharging flows into the Columbia River; (6) a new 100-foot-long, 12.47-kilovolt transmission line extending from the powerhouse to a proposed intertie with a Portland General Electric power line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The plant and portions of the outfall that are not directly affected by the project are not included as project features. The proposed project would generate about 413 megawatthours annually.

Applicant Contact: Michael Nacrelli, Department of Environmental Services, City of Gresham, Oregon, 1333 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham, OR 97030; phone: (503) 661-3000.

FERC Contact: Jennifer Harper, (202) 502-6136.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website under the "e-Filing" link located at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's website located at http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp. More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/ docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-13466) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

<sup>1</sup>16 U.S.C. § 797(f). Three years is the maximum term for a preliminary permit. See FPA Section 5, 16 U.S.C. § 798