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Last month the Coast Range Association sponsored a presentation by the Ecoforestry Institute at the Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce. The meeting featured the Institute's directors Twila Jacobsen and Mike Barnes. Aspects of the nonprofit educational organization were discussed followed by a slide show presentation of Ecoforesters from the Pacific Northwest.

The organization's board and faculty are made up of ecological philosophers and scientists who disagree with current forestry practices. "Forestry today is thought of as trees," explained Barnes. Trees are only a part of it. The forest is a living, interdependent community with all sorts of values. By looking at the trees forestry today is ignoring the complex ecological basis of the forest ecosystem.

The destructive effects of forestry are evident historically. Where there is now a desert, once were the "Cedars of Lebanon." The trees were cut down to make ships for the military. The forests of North Africa were once a part of the "bread basket of the Roman Empire." Now North Africa is a vast growing desert.

Current forest practices include the historical practice of clearcutting. Clearcutting makes harvesting the trees easier, but the longterm effects of a forest that is continually clearcut is devastating. Cut after cut after cut eventually works to deplete the soils of microbial fungi and nutrients needed to nourish trees. It also creates a loss of habitat for wildlife species who need the conditions of an older forest. The spotted owl is an example but most recently is the case of our dwindling salmon stocks.

"The Ecoforestry Institute is trying to research and advance the idea that at this point in history we need to promote the maximization of ecological values," stated Jacobsen. This means to maximize the ability of forests to maintain themselves as forests. Then the economic benefits from forest commodities may be considered. They are advocating what they call Ecoforestry. Ecoforestry's goal is to maintain the natural working processes in a forest which include habitat for all forest species, a closed canopy of trees, and a natural forest floor, etc. While providing for a healthy forest's needs, Ecoforestry is able to harvest forest goods by working with the forest's natural processes of selection. This process of selection is evident as a tree grows. From the time they are seedlings, nature selects trees for their ability to compete and withstand a variety of conditions. It is the job of the Ecoforester to rely on their knowledge of how the forest selects these trees to determine which trees are selected for harvest.

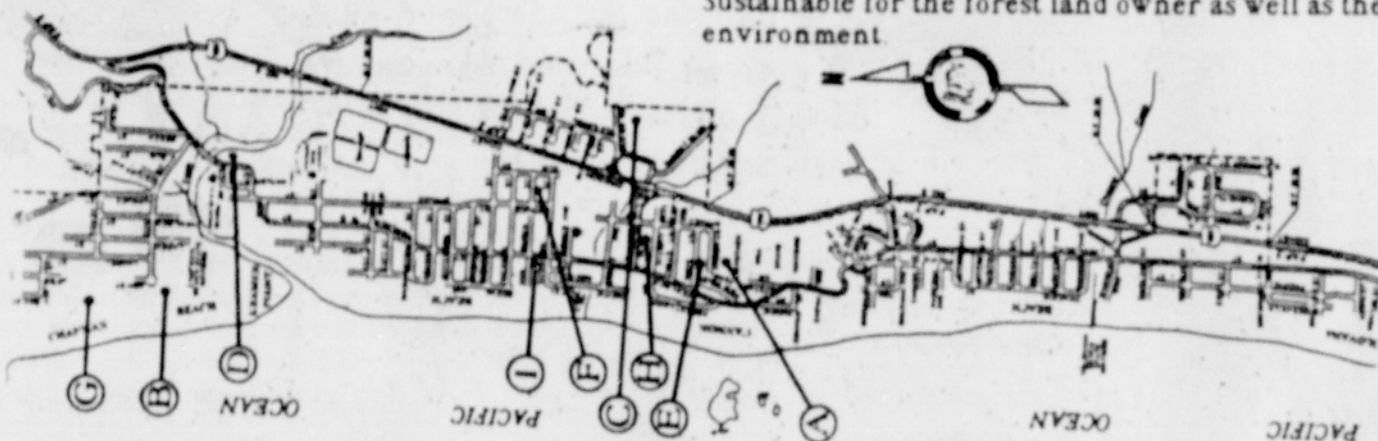
The Institute feels that Ecoforestry is a whole other way of looking at the world. They see that the current view of science and society is to objectify nature as something that can be taken apart. In the process we've created a separation of ourselves from nature. Its only been within our lifetime that we've begun to realize we are a part of nature. We've begun to see that what we do affects nature and in turn affects ourselves. In order to work with nature we must rethink fundamentally the basic philosophical understandings we have of ourselves, other human beings and nature. "The ultimate irony is if we destroy the ecological base of nature we destroy ourselves," said Barnes.

The Ecoforestry Institute offers a clear alternative to the destructive methods of forestry today. The institute is establishing Ecoforestry demonstration forests. The owners of these demonstration forests have been maintaining their forests while harvesting forest goods for years. The institute is working to bridge their knowledge with that of ecological scientists and philosophers for the purpose of obtaining scientifically credible research. This research is needed to prove that it is possible to provide for all forest values while harvesting forest goods on a sustainable basis. Sustainable for the forest land owner as well as the environment.

The Institute's goals do not end there. The Institute is also offering its first Education and Apprenticeship Training Program for future Ecoforesters and for others interested in an introduction to Ecoforestry and related fields. The program is a nine month certification program for both introductory levels seeking an Ecoforestry Practitioners Certification and for advanced levels seeking an Ecoforestry Consultant Certification. The institute believes the education and training of a new generation of Ecoforesters is critical for the widespread practice of Ecoforestry, for the ongoing establishment of demonstration Ecoforests, and for the eventual certification of Ecoforestry products. Concerned citizens can then join the Ecoforestry movement by voting with their dollars to support the protection of fully functioning natural forests where forest goods are harvested to meet vital human needs on a long term sustainable basis.

The Pacific Northwest is the timber industry's final American frontier. Starting from the East Coast, it has cut its way west and has found the virgin bounty ending here. Most of the oldgrowth is gone on the private lands, so now the industry wants to liquidate our public lands. Needless to say, there hasn't been much foresight on the industry's part. It has learned to reforest their forestlands instead of abandoning them as in the past. Except they are only replanting the most profitable trees that grow in a specified area. Now what was once a forest is now called a tree farm. It's not enough that we've clearcut and destroyed the forest and the processes that kept it alive. Now we believe that we know how to do it better than nature. Only this isn't working either. Nature does not take profit into account. Our soils are not withstanding the abuse, neither is our wildlife. The Ecoforestry Institute's approach is a sane relief in an insane, self-destructing world. It offers a solution instead of perpetuating the problem. It works by addressing the underlying issue: humans are not separate from nature, they are a part. The Institute realizes that we must work with the natural processes that keep us alive. It is the only way we are going to be able to save our forests and still support our ever-increasing population and vital human needs.

The wild places are where we began. When they end, so do we
David Brower



A REMINDER TO CANNON BEACH RESIDENTS
It is illegal to dump yard clippings on public property, beach accesses, etc. The burn pile is located at the treatment ponds on 2nd St. and is open SATURDAY MORNINGS 10:00 A.M. TO NOON AND SATURDAY AFTERNOONS 4:00-4:45 P.M. Your cooperation is appreciated.

CITY OF CANNON BEACH SELECTED FOR RECYCLER OF THE YEAR AWARD
The City of Cannon Beach and recycle coordinator John Rippey were selected by the Association of Oregon Recyclers at their 16th Annual Conference in Eugene as recipient of the Recycler of the Year award in the category of Education/Promotion. The City of Cannon Beach has been promoting recycling since the mid 70s most of the time with a volunteer crew. Cannon Beach is one of the few Oregon cities with a population under 4,000, which has curbside recycling. With community support from local residents, businesses and service groups, the recycle program is thriving and an outstanding example for other communities.

CANNON BEACH HOMEOWNERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING SCHEDULED
The Cannon Beach Homeowners and Residents Association will hold their annual town meeting at the Coaster Theater on Saturday, July 2, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Topics of discussion will include the new fire station, Cavenham property surrounding Cannon Beach and the City-owned IMPACT property on Spruce Street.

RECYCLING SCHEDULE JULY 1994
CURBSIDE
MON. collection 11th & 25th
TUES. collection 12th & 26th
WED. collection 13th & 27th
FRI. collection 8th & 22nd
RECYCLE SATURDAY
9 a.m. - 1 p.m. 2nd & 16th

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS DESIGN REVIEW JUNE 16
+ Held a public hearing for a major modification in lighting plan and approval for sign locations to DDA Corporation's approved design review plan for building located at 171 Sunset Boulevard. (H)

+ Held a public hearing for Graham Tuckman application for the construction of a 13-unit motel and managers quarters to replace the existing Starfish Motel at 964 South Hemlock. (I)

COUNCIL WORKSESSION MAY 24
Councilors met with Jerry Minor representing the City's engineering firm of Kramer Chin & Mayo (KCM) regarding the bids received by the City for a sand filtration water treatment plant. The design estimate provided to the City by KCM was more than \$100,000 under the lowest of eight bids received for the project. John Arnold Company was awarded the contract with a low bid of \$743,000; the highest bid received was \$1,198,000. After discussion, Councilors requested that Minor provide a report to Council after the bid cost breakdowns are available from John Arnold Company to clarify the reason for the disparity between the KCM estimates and the bids received.

CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION ON NORTH ENTRANCE
Following the June 28 Council Budget Adoption meeting, the Cannon Beach City Council will hold a worksession at approximately 7:15 p.m. to discuss options concerning the north entrance to Cannon Beach. Public input is welcome.

CITY HALL CLOSED INDEPENDENCE DAY
City Hall will be closed Monday, July 4 for Independence Day.



Municipal Memo

PLANNING COMMISSION MAY 26
+ Held a public hearing and granted a conditional use request by the Cannon Beach Conference Center to permit the relocation of an existing single family dwelling at 339 Elm, adjacent to Ecotia Creek. The Planning Commission also approved a variance regarding building height relating to the relocated structure. The dwelling to be relocated to Elm Street is presently located at 316 N. Spruce where the Conference Center is proposing to construct a new 29 unit motel with meeting rooms. (D)

+ Held a public hearing and granted a conditional use request by Dick and Mary Anderson to permit a bed and breakfast in an R2 zone at 115 Rows Lane. (E)

+ Held a public hearing and granted a setback reduction request by Paul Dumber to permit a remodeled portion of his house at 331 E. Van Buren to extend into the sidewalk setback adjacent to the Highway 101 right of way. (F)

+ Held a public hearing and determined to recommend to City Council a proposed zone change for property located west of 5th Street between 5th and 7th Streets. The property now belongs to the heirs of John Yarn and is being marketed by a Portland real estate investment company. The property is currently zoned R2 which would permit a density of up to 11 units per acre; the proposal recommends that the zone be changed to RL, which would permit a maximum density of 4 units per acre. The parcel under consideration for zone change is approximately 5.6 acres in size. The City Council will hold a public hearing on the matter at the July 5th meeting. (G)

+ Held a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and the Comprehensive Plan concerning Forest Management. The current Zoning Ordinance makes provision for selective harvest of timber in the OSR and RVL zones through a conditional use process. Most of the OSR and RVL zoning is outside the city limits but within the Urban Growth Boundary. After consideration, the Planning Commission voted to recommend to City Council that selective harvest continue to be allowed through the conditional use process in the OSR and RVL zones but that additional language clarifying how much timber harvest would be allowed also be added to the Zoning Ordinance. The issue will come before City Council on July 5 for a public hearing.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS CITY COUNCIL JUNE 7
+ Held public hearings on the 1994-96 Budget Documents and the Cannon Beach Road District Budget. The approved documents included a resolution establishing the parking management fee and the shuttle portion of the business license fee for 1994-96.

+ Held a public hearing and considered an appeal by Dave Holland of the Planning Commission's denial of his request for a 12 lot subdivision on a 4.04 acre parcel of land in the RL zone. The property is located east of Viewpoint Terrace and south of Arbor Lane. After lengthy consideration, Council voted, tentatively, to uphold the Planning Commission and deny the subdivision request. Council will consider final findings on the matter at the July Council meeting. (A)

+ Considered a recommendation by the Public Works Committee that Council reconsider sidewalk requirements on Sunset Blvd and the east side of Hemlock Street from Gower to Tatt. Council agreed to discuss the recommendations at a worksession to be scheduled in July.

+ Adopted an ordinance declaring it a violation to knowingly provide premises for the consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors.

+ Adopted Ordinance 94-16 providing for the impoundment or forfeiture of certain vehicles driven by drunk, uninsured or unlicensed drivers.

+ Considered, but did not adopt, a proposed ordinance regulating the use of roller skates and roller blades (inline roller skates).

CANNON BEACH - THE CITY THAT MADE MCTARNAHAN'S ALE FAMOUS!

MORE MCTARNAHAN'S ALE IS SOLD IN CANNON BEACH PER CAPITA THAN ANY OTHER CITY IN THE WORLD, ACCORDING TO CANNON BEACH RESIDENT "MAC" MACTARNAHAN, WHO EARNED A GOLD MEDAL WITH HIS SCOTTISH ALE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS
JUNE 1994
23 PLANNING COMM., 7 P.M.
28 CITY COUNCIL BUDGET ADOPT, 7 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION 7:15 P.M.
JULY 1994
5 CITY COUNCIL, 7 P.M.
14 PUBLIC WORKS CMTE., 4:30 P.M.
20 ENERGY CMTE., 8:30 A.M.
21 PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES, 9 A.M.
21 DESIGN REVIEW, 6:30 P.M.
26 CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION, 7 P.M.
28 PLANNING COMM., 7 P.M.