

Good Evening Commissioners,

We would like to clarify a few things for Case File: T3-2017-9165 / T4-2017-9166 / EP-2017-6780:

1. Regarding testimony received to date:

- While it is impractical to provide a summary of all the testimony in the record, staff has categorized the general topic areas raised as of the writing of the staff report - see staff exhibit [B.75](#)

- More specifically, recent testimony has responded to the Community Service Use criterion MCC 33.6010 (B) "Will not adversely affect natural resources"

The [staff report](#) Section 10.06 beginning on page 190 addresses this criterion.

2. With respect to Metro's request, it is helpful to consider the proposal for the park designation first before considering the trail development proposed in a portion of the Burlington Creek Forest, since the improvements are contingent on the park designation.

- In the CFU-1 Zone, MCC 33.2030(A)(9) lists local parks as a Community Service use. The [staff report](#) Section 2.05 addresses the standard on page 32. The request for the local park designation would designate all four forest units, Abby Creek, Ennis Creek, McCarthy Creek, and Burlington Creek as four geographically distinct and physically separated units of a single park managed by metro.

- The finding at [staff report](#) Section 2.02 (starting at page 29) lists the park improvements subject to the Conditional Use Permit and related development permits in the Burlington Creek Forest. The request for development only covers Burlington Creek Forest and not any of the other three units.

- Metro has provided examples of contemplated future uses at other forest units such as a loop trail system at McCarthy Creek, or a potential trail connection through Ennis Creek. It is important to note that if designated as part of a local park, the other forest units outside of Burlington Creek would be subject to future permitting requirements if and when Metro decides to apply for the permits. Those permit applications would be subject to a public process independent of these proceedings.

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