

Program #91027 - Land Use Comprehensive Plan Update

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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program Program Offer Stage: As Requested

Related Programs: 91020, 91021

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request, Out of Target

Executive Summary

This program offer provides for an update to the County's Comprehensive Plan which identifies land use and transportation planning goals, policies and strategies to protect natural resources and guide development within the unincorporated portions of the County. This program offer is for the first year of a two year process. The total cost of the update is estimated to be \$1,072,000 (\$586,000 in FY2015 and \$486,000 in FY2016).

Program Summary

State law requires each county in Oregon to adopt a Comprehensive Plan consistent with statewide planning goals. Multnomah County's Comprehensive Plan Policy 1(F) indicates that the Plan will be updated every five years beginning September, 1977. Although the Comprehensive Plan has been subject to focused updates in the 1980s and 1990s, a high level re-evaluation of the goals, policies, strategies and structure has not occurred since original adoption in the 1970s. Equally important is that the Program's focus has evolved from urban to rural planning over the last 40 years. However, many of the urban focused plan policies have not been removed sending a confused message about the County's services. Four individual Rural Area Plans were created between 1996 and 2002 to tailor land use planning policies to the individual community level. The four Rural Area Plans are components of the county's Comprehensive Framework Plan and are also in need of update which is currently in progress for only one of the four plans (the Sauvie Island / Multnomah Channel Rural Area Plan). Maintaining these individual Rural Area Plans has proven inefficient over time and the added value to each community is questionable. This program offer will re-incorporate policies and strategies in each of the Rural Area Plans and associated Transportation System Plans back into one combined Comprehensive Framework Plan document reinforcing the fact that Multnomah County serves the entire rural community equitably.

Over time, the Multnomah County Code has also been separated into different chapters each addressing development regulations for a specific rural plan area. The result of this approach has been repetitive regulations which are more difficult for citizens to navigate and understand and more time consuming for staff to maintain. This program offer also includes combining individual chapters of community development codes to streamline and simplify the land use process. Approval of this program offer will demonstrate that the County supports community engagement, permitting efficiencies and recognizes the need to maintain the fundamental planning tools required to successfully protect, preserve and enhance the county's rural community for the next 20 years.

This work represented in this program offer will be performed by a consulting firm, the equivalent of two limited duration County employees and additional support equivalent to one FTE.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY13 Actual	FY14 Purchased	FY14 Estimate	FY15 Offer			
Output	Number of outreach activities conducted	0	0	0	10			
Outcome	Completion of the Updated Comprehensive Framework Plan	0	0	0	50%			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The Land Use and Transportation Planning Program complies with Federal, State and local laws, supports the values of the Board of County Commissioners and meets the evolving needs of the community by adopting and implementing clear and effective land use and transportation planning policies and regulations. These policies and regulations provide the required venue for public participation and a degree of predictability to neighbors and developers.

This program offer will require a professional services contract with a firm to help guide public outreach and development of policy and regulation amendments.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2014	2014	2015	2015
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$336,000	\$0
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$250,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$586,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$586,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues						
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: