

# CONSULTING PARTIES ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

**Meeting Date:** Friday, September 13, 2024

**Time:** 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

**Location:** Virtual – MS Teams

**Attendees:** *(mark x for attendance in field to the left next to the name)*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Bailey, Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bob Hadlow, Oregon Dept. of Transportation
	Briece Edwards, Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Roy Watters, Oregon Dept. of Transportation
	David Harrelson, Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom McConnell, Oregon Dept. of Transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Peter Hatch, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Jalving, State Historic Preservation Office
	Buddy Lane, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kurt Roedel, State Historic Preservation Office
	Ashley Morton, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Heron, Portland Permitting & Development, Historic Landmark Commission
	Robert Brunoe, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation		Hillary Adam, Portland Permitting & Development
	<del>Mars Galloway, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation</del>		Brandon Spencer-Hartle, Portland Permitting & Development
	Austin Smith Jr., Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation		Laurie Jordon, Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission
	Casey Barney, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation		Steve Dotterrer, Architectural Heritage Center
	Gregg Kiona, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation		James Heuer, Architectural Heritage Center
	Jessica Lally, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heather Flint Chatto, Architectural Heritage Center
	Noah Oliver, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation		Nathan Holth, HistoricBridges.org
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	James Gordon, Cowlitz Indian Tribe		Lynn Fuchigami, Japanese American Museum of Oregon
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Clarke, Federal Highway Administration		John Czarnecki, New Traditional Architecture
	Misty Thorsgard, Federal Highway Administration		Kim Moreland, Oregon Black Pioneers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Parker, Federal Highway Administration		Kerry Tymchuck, Oregon Historical Society
	Erin Parker, Federal Highway Administration		Nicole Possert, Restore Oregon
	Mandy Ranslow, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation		Representative, Willamette Light Brigade
	Astrid Liverman, National Park Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ed Wortman, Author and Historian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Doug Wilson, National Park Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sharon Wood Wortman, Author and Historian
	Christopher Johnson, National Park Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stella Funk Butler, Gresham Coalition of Neighborhoods
	Elaine Jackson-Retondo, National Park Service		J.R. Lilly, Tribal Liaison, Multnomah County

X	Megan Neill, MC	X	Steve Drahota, AE
X	Jill Wolf, MC	X	Christina Tomaselli, AE
	Sarah Hurwitz, MC	X	Brian Bauman, AE
X	Gigi Cooper, OR	X	Jen Hughes, AE
X	James Hencke, OR	X	Adam Alsobrook, AE
	Suzanne Carey, OR		David Ellis, AE
X	Brandy Steffen, AE (Facilitator)		Cassie Davis, AE

## MEETING AGENDA

Agenda Topic	Presenter	Duration
<b>Welcome and Roll Call</b>	Bob and Roy	5 min
<b>Review from Past Meetings</b>	Brandy	5 min
<b>Action Item Updates</b>	Jen / Jill	5 min
<b>General Updates</b>	Megan / Jen	5 min
<b>Focus for Meeting #4</b>	Brandy	2 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Interpretive Displays</b></li> </ul>	Jen	20 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Salvage</b></li> </ul>	Megan	15 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>3-D Scanning</b></li> </ul>	Jill	2 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Kiosk Program Information</b></li> </ul>	Heather	20 min
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Next Steps</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>October 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting</li> <li>Spring 2025 Workplan</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Brandy	5 min

## MEETING NOTES

### Welcome and Roll Call

- Roy Watters (Oregon Department of Transportation) led the roll call and Brandy Steffen (Design Team) provided an overview of the agenda items.

### Review from Past Meetings

- Brandy Steffen (Design Team) provided a recap of the topics covered at Meeting #3 including:
  - Reviewed Work Plan and Schedule
  - Presented and discussed themes for the Interpretive Displays
  - Presented and discussed feasibility for Salvage
  - Provided update for 3-D Scanning
  - Provided update on public outreach for eastside bridge type

## Action Item Updates

- Jen Hughes (Design Team) and Jill Wolf (Multnomah County) made updates to action items from the last meeting including the survey of the interpretative displays and specialty salvage.
- Research and index will be provided to whoever is doing the research for the interpretative displays and will be shared with this group.
- Jill Wolf (Multnomah County) contacted a group specializing in historic construction salvage. We are awaiting a report on the feasibility of saving the bridge operator towers.

## General Updates

- Megan Neill (Multnomah County) provided a schedule update for the project and this group's effort. After community outreach, 9/12/24 the Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution to approve the recommended Inverted-Y Option for the East Approach span design. On 8/19/24, the Project Team met with the City of Portland Historic Landmarks Commission for a Design Advice Request (DAR). Meeting notes and a recording of this meeting are available online ([Efiles - EA 24-060617 DA \(24/EF/7664\) \(portlandoregon.gov\)](#)).

## Discussion

- Sarah Jalving (State Historic Preservation Office) – Oregon State Historic Preservation Office appreciates this additional effort to evaluate the feasibility of moving and reusing a bridge tower.

## Focus for Meeting #4

- This meeting will focus on the draft task assumptions for interpretative displays, salvage, and progress on assumptions for 3-D scanning and request for this group's feedback on the overall intent by 9/27/24.
- Written task assumptions will be emailed directly to this group after this meeting and comments should be emailed to the team by 9/27/24 at [EQRB-Consulting-Parties@multco.us](mailto:EQRB-Consulting-Parties@multco.us).

## •Interpretive Displays

- Jen Hughes (Design Team) discussed the content of the draft task assumptions document (<https://www.multco.us/file/146039/download>). There will be at least three displays consisting of two panels each for a total of six panels. Size of the panels still need to be determined. Displays may incorporate salvage components.

## Discussion

- None

## •Salvage

- Megan Neill (Multnomah County) discussed the content of the draft task assumptions document (<https://www.multco.us/file/146040/download>) and provided an overview on the status of salvage items based on feedback from this group. Potential salvage components include:
  - Operator Tower – the working assumption is that the full operator tower is not salvageable, but we are exploring salvaging portions of the tower but not the walking balcony.
  - Metal bridge railing
  - Concrete bridge railing
  - Steel structural components
  - Historic name plate

- Mechanical components
- Douglas fir piling

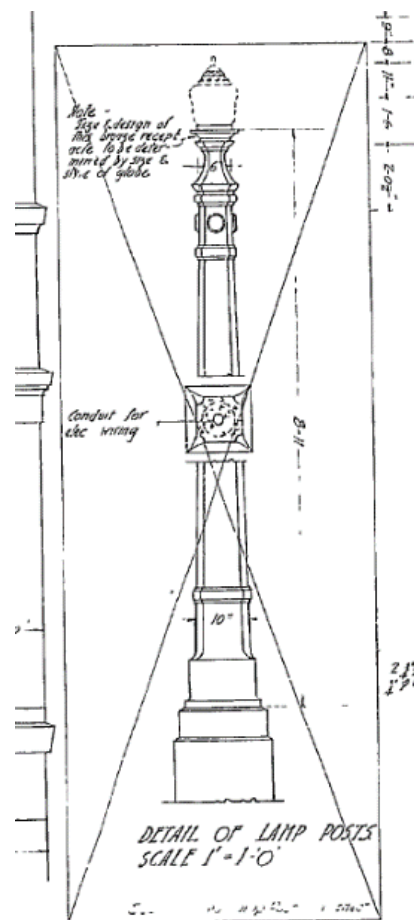
### Discussion

- Heather Flint Chatto (Architectural Heritage Center) – interested in reuse of top two levels of the operator towers and would like to consider other options for accessibility of possible reuse of the tower and walking balcony.
- Sharon Wortman (Author and Historian) – thanks for all the work on the list. For rivets, why only 50? The public loves rivets. Suggest more than the 50 rivets proposed.
  - Multnomah County – we can look at increasing the number of rivets.
- Thomas Parker (Federal Highway Administration) – regarding the balusters, what is the rationale for not considering some of the panels themselves?
  - Multnomah County – there are concerns of maintaining the integrity of individual panels. We can consider revising the language to attempt to remove a panel intact.
  - Thomas Parker (Federal Highway Administration) – we do not want to preclude salvage of a full panel at this early stage.
- Heather Flint Chatto (Architectural Heritage Center) – historic lamps are of interest in Portland. Could a couple be saved?
  - Multnomah County – The lamps have modern LED lights on the bridge currently.
  - The Project Team asked about the lamps and received the following information:
    - Multnomah County does not have any of the original lamp posts, which were the acorn style lamp similar to what the City uses.
    - Multnomah County has a few spare light poles of the type currently installed sometime after the 1970s, which are still manufactured by Visco in Eugene, Oregon.
- Sharon Wortman (Author and Historian) – What about salvaging the spiral railing inside the operator towers? Will there be visuals of what the inside of the tower looked like included in the interpretive panels?
  - Multnomah County – note that it is still early, and no design decisions for the interpretive displays have been made. We can note this comment as something to consider adding.

**ACTION** The Project Team asked about the status of the spiral staircases and determined that the spiral staircases are original to the structures. They will be added to the salvage assumptions list.

- Sharon Wortman (Author and Historian) – are concrete panels and Douglas fir trees piling on engineering drawings available?
  - Multnomah County – we can note these as a request for the potential geological seismic theme panel. Again, we are early in the process, and no decisions about content for the panels have been made yet.

- Adam Alsobrook (Design Team) shared a 1946 historic photo of the bridge and the original engineering drawings for the bridge indicate concrete lamp standards.



- Bob Hadlow shared concrete lampposts on the bridge, metal Portland twin luminaires on the approaches.



City of Portland (OR) Archives, AP/7/20

### •3-D Scanning

- Jill Wolf (Multnomah County) received a summary outlining the approach of 3-D scanning. The Project Team will use this information to draft task assumptions.

### *Discussion*

- None

### •Kiosk Program Information

- Heather Flint Chatto (Architectural Heritage Center) provided a presentation about the Kiosk Design Initiative and the potential for reuse of the bridge tower(s) as a kiosk.
- The Kiosk Project is a multi-functional solar hub for wayfinding, community services, and healthier gathering spaces for all ([www.pdxmainstreets.org/kioskdesign](http://www.pdxmainstreets.org/kioskdesign)). Kiosks are making a comeback all over the world including Lisbon, Paris, San Francisco, etc. Local examples include Director's Park, Dawson Park, bus kiosk at SW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, etc. It would be great to have an iconic kiosk on the waterfront. Would be interested in less focus on advertising, and more focus on wayfinding and historical information. Placement and maintenance are key to activating the space.
- Northern Clay Company was a supplier of the terra cotta used on the tower.
- Kiosk opportunities for phone charging stations (small), info or coffee kiosk (medium), and solar kiosk and restroom (large). Use for equity and small business strategy. City of Atlanta provided PBOT some information.
- Could the operator tower tie in with the kiosk initiative? Not a lot of interpretive information currently. Opportunity for emergency preparedness and resiliency. Could this be a mini- bridge interpretive museum? Welcome information booth with Travel Portland? Heather suggested a small working group to explore these opportunities further.
- The Kiosk Presentation is available on the webpage (<https://www.multco.us/file/146036/download>). For more information, see slide 42 of the presentation. Contact Heather Flint Chatto [heather@visitahc.org](mailto:heather@visitahc.org).

### *Discussion*

- Roy Watters (Oregon Department of Transportation) – like linking to some other aspect. Would this proposed kiosk structure survive an earthquake? If not, I am not sure it makes sense to use it as an emergency charging station. Heather Flint Chatto (Architectural Heritage Center) – little will survive in a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake. Shifting resiliency thinking that is within our control.
- Jim Hencke (Multnomah County) – I love the kiosk ideas, very inspiring!
- Sarah Jalving (State Historic Preservation Office) - I love the idea of looking into the possibility of re-using the tower(s) in partnership with other groups. Exciting and worth investigating!
- Stella Funk Butler (Gresham Coalition of Neighborhoods) - I love the ideas; reuse is great, and I am in favor of reduplicating when reuse is not possible.
- Bob Hadlow (Oregon Department of Transportation) – I like this as part of the re-landscape ideas.
- James Gordon (Cowlitz Indian Tribe) – will this presentation be available?
  - Heather Flint Chatto (Architectural Heritage Center) – I am fine with sharing. Architectural Heritage Center advocates for a small working group, would love to gather organizations.

- Thomas Parker (Federal Highway Administration) – Very cool idea. Maybe you could have different kiosks with different themes to match aesthetics of certain historic elements. So maybe one that is a salvage or aesthetic analog to Burnside and tell a broader story around the city. Much that could be explored.
- Sharon Wortman (Author and Historian) – excited for informational kiosk listing the other bridges. Good job Heather.
- Heather Flint Chatto (Architectural Heritage Center) – opportunity to reinvigorate as a city and foster inclusivity. I loved the idea of sharing the rivets for Salvage.

### Next Steps

- October 11th Meeting
  - Review comments on the draft task assumptions.
  - Provide a status update on the West Approach Design Development.
- Spring 2025 Workplan
  - Video documentation, 3-D model, Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) documentation and archival records, and publication.
- Megan Neill (Multnomah County) is eager to partner with organizations for reuse and salvage opportunities.
- Sarah Jalving (State Historic Preservation Office) and Thomas Parker (Federal Highway Administration) thanked the group.