

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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Measure Argument for County Voters' Pamphlet

Primary Election 2013 General Election 20 Special Election (date)

Measure No.: 26-152

Argument in Favor Argument in Opposition

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From the Desk of  
Governor Roberts

Dear Voter,

Please Vote Yes on Measure 26-152.

Measure 26-152 will preserve our region's legacy of natural beauty by protecting rivers, streams, natural areas, and wildlife habitat. This will ensure that our children, grandchildren, and all future generations enjoy the same quality of life we do.

This legacy didn't come easy. In 1995 and again in 2006, citizens in the Metro region voted to purchase and protect some of the region's most significant undeveloped land.

Throughout Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties, **we now own more than 16,000 acres of natural areas, including 90 miles of stream and river frontage, wetlands, prairies, and forests.**

**These critical headwaters, forests, rivers, and streams require restoration and maintenance to provide clean and healthy water and habitat.**

However, these previous bond funds approved by voters to acquire the property cannot be used for maintenance. This means that for us to restore and maintain these areas for water quality, wildlife habitat, parks and public use, voters need to approve funds specifically for this purpose. Measure 26-152 provides dedicated funds to take care of the parks we already have.

That is why, as a Metro Councilor, I supported asking voters to help us. These lands belong to all of us.

**This levy, less than \$20 a year for the typical homeowner for five years, is a small and wise investment we can each make for the future.**

Our kids and grandkids will thank us!

Thank you for voting Yes on 26-152

Governor Barbara Roberts

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## IT'S IN OUR NATURE

If there is one thing that people in this region agree on, it's that this is a great place to live and it's our job to preserve it - for our kids and for our future. We have a legacy of protecting nature close to home and it's one of our best strategies for keeping this a great place.

Twice in just two decades, voters have chosen to protect thousands of acres of natural areas. **So far, we as a region, have invested \$221 million to acquire these lands.**

These investments are not without ongoing costs. **If we don't take care, invasive species like blackberry and ivy will choke out native plants and trees, threatening the health of our forests and streams. Water quality will suffer, along with the native fish, birds, and plants that need it to survive.**

This May, voters can continue our legacy by approving Measure 26-152 to invest in clean water, healthy fish, wildlife, and people. Acting today reduces the cost of taking care of these places in the future.

**The typical homeowner will pay about \$20 per year, but the benefits will multiply for decades.**

There aren't many cities in this world where you can still see fish jumping just a short drive or walk from your downtown. Where the water is clean enough to play, swim, fish, and float. Where there are beautiful forests near neighborhoods where you can walk, hike, rest, and play.

Measure 26-152 will protect our investment in the future.

Thank you,

Tom Hughes  
Metro Council President

For more information on specific uses of the levy and our natural areas visit [www.metro.gov](http://www.metro.gov).

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## **Protect Our Investment in Natural Areas for Only \$20 a Year**

Two decades ago, citizens in the Metro area saw critical natural areas disappearing fast. Forestlands and headwaters, river and stream banks, and wildlife habitat were being developed.

But in 1995 and 2006, local voters took a significant step in protecting our region's quality of life for generations to come. They approved measures to acquire these critical lands and rivers and now we, as a region, own 16,000 acres of natural areas that are vital to our health, economy, and quality of life.

**This includes 90 miles of stream and river frontage, wetlands, prairies, forests, and parks. Today, Metro parks and natural areas are used by more than 1.3 million people each year.**

There is currently no funding to maintain, repair, or improve these natural areas at the level they need. **Measure 26-152** provides dedicated funding to take care of the parks we already have. **Taking care of them now will save us money in the long run.**

We chose to set aside these treasures and in doing so, we have created a legacy. Now, we must protect our investment.

**For only \$20 a year for the typical homeowner**, we can maintain and restore these areas, to ensure that our rivers and streams are clean, our wildlife habitats are protected and thriving, and so we can enjoy these areas for generations to come.

### **These organizations ask you to Vote Yes on 26-152!**

**IBEW Local 48**  
**Surfrider Foundation, Portland Chapter**  
**Sierra Club**  
**Audubon Society of Portland**  
**AFSCME Local 3580/3580-1**  
**Columbia Land Trust**  
**Urban Greenspaces Institute**  
**The Trust for Public Land**  
**Oregon League of Conservation Voters**  
**Friends of Trees**  
**Forest Park Neighborhood Association**  
**Friends of Nadaka**  
**Bicycle Transportation Alliance**

**See all our endorsers and add your name at [www.RestoreOurNaturalAreas.com](http://www.RestoreOurNaturalAreas.com)**

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## **NATURAL AREAS RESTORATION IS GOOD FOR OUR ECONOMY**

A University of Oregon study from 2010 found that **each \$1 million invested in forest or watershed restoration generates 14-23 new jobs, and injects over 2 million dollars into the local economy.**

## **RESTORATION PROJECTS CONTRIBUTE TO OUR OVERALL ECONOMY**

These restoration projects will create jobs for construction workers, landscapers, heavy equipment operators, and engineers. A yes vote on **Measure 26-152** can help boost the region's economy.

## **LESS THAN \$20 A YEAR FOR THE TYPICAL HOUSEHOLD**

"For less than \$20 for a typical household, Measure 26-152 will allow us to do key large-scale restoration projects and maintenance that will create jobs and boost our local economy."

Mike Houck, Director, Urban Greenspaces Institute

## **A BOOST FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES**

"Restoring our Natural Areas attracts visitors to our region to hike, fish, and swim. This boosts local businesses and these jobs can't be outsourced to far-off places."

Al Jubitz, Jubitz Family Foundation

## **LOCAL JOBS THAT STAY HERE**

"Measure 26-152 will provide work for landscapers, nurseries, and other business sectors that provide goods and services for restoration. Rural areas that are home to these businesses can see an economic boost as these projects get underway."

David Barmon, Fiddlehead LLC

**LIUNA Local 483**

**Tom Hughes, Metro Council President**

**Metro Councilor Bob Stacey**

**Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington**

**Metro Councilor Carlotta Collette**

**Metro Councilor Sam Chase**

**Representative Tobias Read**

**State Treasurer Ted Wheeler**

**Representative Ben Unger**

**Representative Alissa Keny-Guyer**

**Senator Chip Shields**

**Carla Piluso, Former Gresham Chief of Police**

**Vote YES on Measure 26-152**



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**VOTE YES ON 26-152 FOR CLEAN RIVERS AND STREAMS**

We know that nothing is more important than **clean, healthy water** in our region's beautiful rivers and streams.

**90 MILES OF RIVERS AND STREAMS**

Our regional Natural Areas have 90 miles of river and stream banks.

**Voting YES on Measure 26-152** will help maintain and restore them, keeping the water clean and healthy.

**PREVENT POLLUTION**

Measure 26-152 will help address pollution in rivers and streams throughout the Metro area, and keep them from becoming polluted in the future.

**PROTECT HEADWATERS FOR \$20/ YEAR**

For only **\$20 per year for the typical homeowner**, we can keep our riverbanks and headwaters protected, planting trees that increase shading and decrease water temperature, and wiping out Japanese knotweed and other noxious weeds.

**PRESERVE OUR LEGACY**

**VOTE YES on Measure 26-152** to preserve our legacy of clean water for generations to come.

Brighton West, Richmond  
Carla "KC" Hanson, Lents  
Norma Dulin, Westmoreland  
Josh Alpert, Cully  
Jayme Rabenberg, Sellwood  
Carla Piluso, Gresham  
Helen Ying, Pearl District  
Neil Schulman, Buckman  
Adrienne Stacey, Richmond  
Jill Archer, Cully  
Meredith Shield, SE Portland  
Eileen Brady, Mt. Tabor  
Richard Beetle, Portsmouth  
John Frewing, Sullivan's Gulch  
Tara Gallagher, Sellwood  
Amy Ruiz, Woodlawn  
Jacob Weigler, Sunnyside  
Andy Maggi, Kenton  
James Barta, Westmoreland  
Jim Francesconi, Alameda

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**CLEAN AND HEALTHY WATER IS PRICELESS**

**But will only cost the typical homeowner \$20 a year**

**VOTE YES ON 26-152**

**IMPROVES WATER QUALITY**

Protecting the headwaters of our most important rivers is vital for the health of current and future generations. Voting Yes on Measure 26-152 will provide dedicated funds that will be used to maintain and improve water quality and habitat in rivers and streams throughout the Metro area.

**PREVENTS POLLUTION**

We need to maintain our waterways now and address pollution in rivers, lakes, and streams to keep them healthy and prevent them from becoming polluted in the future.

**SAVES MONEY**

The longer we wait to clean up our rivers and natural areas, the more it will cost us in the long run. By making a minimal investment today, we can avoid more costly problems in the future.

**COSTS LITTLE**

This measure will cost the typical homeowner less than \$20 a year. That's a small price to pay to protect our area's clean water.

Endorsed by:

**The Nature Conservancy in Oregon**  
**Tualatin Riverkeepers**  
**Oregon League of Conservation Voters**  
**Sandy River Basin Watershed Council**  
**Clackamas River Basin Council**  
**Columbia Slough Watershed Council**  
**Fernhill Wetlands Council**

Get more information on improving water quality at [www.RestoreOurNaturalAreas.com](http://www.RestoreOurNaturalAreas.com)

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## **VOTE YES on 26-152 to Improve and Restore the Willamette River**

Two decades ago, there was no plan in the region to protect natural areas. But in 1995 and 2006 voters in Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah counties voted to purchase and protect some of the region's most significant undeveloped land. Today, 16,000 acres have been set aside as natural spaces, including 90 miles of stream and river frontage, wetlands, prairies, forests, and parks.

### **Just \$20 per year**

Measure 26-152 cost \$20 a year for the typical homeowner. These funds will allow us to maintain and restore areas that directly impact the health of our waterways. Maintenance includes watershed and wetlands restoration to keep the Willamette River and other local rivers and wetlands clean and healthy.

### **Good for Multnomah County**

From the beautiful Columbia Slough to the Johnson Creek Watershed, these areas are key to the health of the region. Not only do they provide clean water, they are vital for flood control and native fish habitat. By passing this levy we can improve water quality in the Willamette River and other critical headwater areas.

### **A Smart Investment**

The longer we wait to clean up our rivers and natural areas, the more it will cost us in the long run. By making the investment to take care of our rivers and streams today, we can avoid more costly problems in future years. Measure 26-152 sets firm standards for accountability and taxpayer protection including audits and citizen oversight.

**VOTE YES on Measure 26-152**, to improve and restore the Willamette River and the health and legacy of our treasured waterways and natural areas.

Columbia Slough Watershed Council  
West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District  
Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick  
Jim Labbe, Urban Conservationist, Audubon Society of Portland  
Michael D. Barton, Writer/Blogger, Exploring Portland's Natural Areas

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**Local Businesses Support 26-152**  
**A Healthy Economy Counts on Healthy Natural Areas**

As owners of businesses in the region, we know that this measure can help our regional economy. Maintaining natural areas and water quality are so essential to our quality of life and will keep our region a magnet for high-quality employers.

**Passing Measure 26-152** will enhance the lives of Oregonians all across the Metro area and have a positive impact on our local economy.

**This measure will cost the typical homeowner less than \$2 a month - for the cost of a cup of coffee we can maintain and restore our precious rivers and wildlife habitats.**

It's also smart financially - making the investment now will help avoid more costly problems in the future.

Plus, accountability is written into the Measure - it requires audits and citizen oversight to ensure the money is spent according to plan.

This measure will ensure that nature is always close to home and accessible for generations to come.

Please join us in **VOTING YES** on Measure **26-152**

**Supported by these members of the local business community:**

**Brian C. Setzler, CPA, TriLibrium**

**Tony Fuentes, ~~Owner~~, Milagros Boutique**

**Fred Stewart, Stewart Group Realty**

**Ethan Jewett, Partner, Stickeen Brand Services**

**Ryan Carpenter, Moberi Bike Powered Smoothies**

**Add your local business to our endorsement list**  
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## **Yes on 26-152 for Natural Area Improvements in Multnomah County**

The goals of the restoration and maintenance are to **improve water quality in local rivers and streams, restore habitat and reduce weeds that choke plants that wildlife need for food and shelter, and restore wetlands and floodplains to control flooding.**

Here are some of the areas in Multnomah County to see restoration and maintenance under Measure 26-152. For more information on these areas and others, visit [www.RestoreOurNaturalAreas.com](http://www.RestoreOurNaturalAreas.com).

**Sandy River:** Two side channels will be constructed to enhance fish habitat and water quality.

**Willamette River Greenway/Multnomah Channel:** The floodplain connection to the river will be improved for water quality and salmon habitat.

**Smith and Bybee Wetlands Natural Area:** Signage and security improvements will be made along with ramp and pathway renovations.

**Blue Lake Regional Park:** Projects at Blue Lake Park include property fencing, entry/drive booth, park communications system, boat concession renovation, native landscaping upgrades, sports and pathway renovations, traffic and parking improvements, utility and drainage improvements, playground/swim beach/restroom improvements, office and maintenance building renovation, and addition of permanent shelters.

**Oxbow Regional Park:** Construction of restroom facilities, septic improvements, communications upgrades and fire road repairs. In addition, ADA improvements, cabins and additional group camp construction, play area renovations, and equestrian area improvements.

**Howell Territorial Park:** Projects at Howell Park include signage, shelter construction, parking and access renovation.

**Sauvie Island Boat Ramp:** The dock will be replaced, the banks will be stabilized, and the restrooms will be renovated. A new security gate will also be installed.

**Glendoveer Fitness Trail:** Projects include drainage, surfacing, and other needed improvements to the soft surface trail around the Glendoveer Golf Course.

**Mason Hill Park:** Mason Hill Park will receive restrooms, parking and ADA improvements, and signage.