



APPENDIX K: Existing Partnerships

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This plan includes a series of general and category-specific goals, objectives, and policies that emphasize the need for partnerships and interagency coordination. These include intergovernmental, interdepartmental, educational, public/private, and bi-state partnership activities. These kinds of partnerships will continue to be essential to meeting the needs of the park, recreation, and open space system and allow the department to share financial, acquisition, planning management, development, knowledge-sharing, and community involvement responsibilities with other agencies and the community at large. This appendix documents some of the existing partnerships employed by Clark County and the City of Vancouver.

PARTNERSHIP TYPES

The City of Vancouver and Clark County employ varying types of partnerships, including:

- Monetary, land, and in-kind donations
- Bargain sales
- Grant programs
- Master planning and design
- Recreation activities
- Clean-up and stewardship
- Research and monitoring
- Habitat restoration/enhancement
- Trail building
- Community Involvement & education

- Operations & maintenance

PARTNERSHIP CATEGORIES

The VCPRD partners with a variety of agencies and groups, including:

- Federal agencies
- State agencies
- Cities and towns
- Port districts
- Schools & Colleges
- Local government agencies & departments
- Public utilities
- Non-profit agencies
- Private-sector business
- Neighborhood groups
- Individual citizens
- Conservation Districts
- Special Interest Groups

AGENCY PARTNERS

A partial list of specific agencies, organizations and programs that are now or that have recently been involved in partnerships with Clark County include the following:

STATE & FEDERAL AGENCIES

AmeriCorps
Department of Community Trade and Economic Development

Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program
 Environmental Enhancement Group (EEG)
 Federal Aviation Administration
 Governor’s Salmon Recovery Office
 Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board (LCRFB)
 National Historic Reserve
 Natural Resource Conservation Service
 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA)
 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
 Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Child Nutrition Services
 Southwest Washington Trail Riders Association
 State of Washington for Motorcycle Program
 United States Department of Agriculture, Child and Adult Care Food Program
 United States Department of Agriculture, Summer Food Service Program
 United States Department of Fish and Wildlife
 United State Army Corps of Engineers
 United States Forest Service
 United States National Park Service
 Veterans Administrations
 Washington State Coalition to Promote Physical Activity
 Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
 Washington State Department of Health
 Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR)
 Washington State Department of Natural Resources (Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account [ALEA] Program)
 Washington State Parks
 Washington State Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC)
 Washington State Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB)
 Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)

Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)

CITIES & TOWNS

Clark County
 City of Vancouver
 City of Camas
 City of Washougal
 City of Ridgefield
 City of La Center
 City of Battle Ground

PORT DISTRICTS

Port of Vancouver
 Port of Camas-Washougal
 Port of Ridgefield

SCHOOL DISTRICTS & COLLEGES

Battle Ground School District
 Camas School District
 Education Service District 112
 Evergreen School District
 Ridgefield School District
 Vancouver School District
 Washougal School District
 Ashmead College
 Battle Ground Home Link School
 Clark College
 Clark County Home Educators
 Private Schools
 Washington School for the Blind
 Washington School for the Deaf
 Washington State University

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES & DEPARTMENTS

Clark County Community Education Programs
 Clark County Department of Public Works
 Clark County Health District
 Clark County Sheriff’s Department

Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center
 Vancouver Housing Authority
 City of Vancouver, Community Services
 City of Vancouver, Equipment Services/Operations
 City of Vancouver, Fire Department
 City of Vancouver, Foster Grandparent Program
 City of Vancouver, Grounds Maintenance/Operations
 City of Vancouver, Human Resource Department
 City of Vancouver, Office of Neighborhoods
 City of Vancouver, Police Department
 City of Vancouver, Retired and Senior Volunteer Program
 City of Vancouver, Water Resource Education Center (WREC)
 Clark County Department of Community Development
 Clark County Endangered Species Act (ESA) Division
 Clark County Water Quality Division
 Clark County Watershed Stewards

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Bonneville Power Administration
 Clark Public Utilities

NON-PROFIT AGENCIES

Adult Day Center/Columbia River Mental Health Services
 Boy/Girl Scouts
 Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Washington
 Camas-Washougal Historical Society
 Churches
 Clark Conservation District
 Columbia Land Trust (CLT)
 Community Foundation of Southwest Washington
 Downtown Rotary Club
 Ducks Unlimited

East Vancouver Rotary Club
 Economic Opportunity Committee of Clark County
 Fish First
 Friends of the East Fork (FOEF)
 Friends of Trees
 Georgia Pacific Foundation (James River)
 Hazel Dell Lion's Club
 Hough Foundation
 Human Services Council
 Human Services Council/ESD 112
 International Society of Arboriculture, PNW Chapter
 National Arbor Day Foundation
 Northwest Youth & Family Alliance
 Parks and Recreation Foundation of Vancouver and Clark County
 Police Activity League
 Red Cross
 Ridgefield Community Services
 Salvation Army
 Share House
 Southwest Washington Medical Center Foundation
 Special Olympics
 Stop Hunger Warehouse
 Southwest Washington Independent Ford Thrust (SWIFT)
 Vancouver Audubon Society
 USPTA (United States Professional Tennis Association)
 USTA (United States Tennis Association)
 YWCA of Clark County
 YMCA of Clark County

PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESSES

Albertsons
 Bi-Mart
 Burgerville USA
 Camas-Washougal Chamber of Commerce
 Chinook Trails Association
 Clark County Indoor Sport Center
 Columbia Cascade
 First Independent Bank

Fred Meyer
 H.B. Fuller Corporation
 Habitat Partners
 Harmony Sports Association
 Hazel Dell Little League
 Holt Homes
 Humane Society
 International Air Academy
 McDonalds
 Mountain View Ice Arena
 NIKE
 Northwest Sports Photography
 Orchards Little League
 PacifiCorp
 Parent Teachers Association
 Play It Again Sports
 Riverview Community Bank
 Round Table Pizza
 Safeway
 Sports Medicine and Rehab Clinic
 State Farm Insurance
 Southwest Washington Medical Center
 Sysco Food Services
 Texaco
 Vancouver Girls Softball Association
 Vancouver Wildlife League
 Vancouver/Portland Rowing Club
 Waste Connections
 West Coast Bank

INTEREST GROUPS

All Weather Walkers Volkssport Club
 Amateur Softball Association
 American Legion Auxiliary
 Beaverton Bike Club
 Children's Alliance of Washington
 Clark County Executive Horse Council
 Clark County Home Educators
 Clark County Running Club
 Dog Owners for Greater Park Access in
 Washington (DOGPAW)
 East County Lewis & Clark Bicentennial
 Committee
 Evergreen Basketball Association

Evergreen Officials Association
 Honor Ambassadors
 Portland Kayak & Canoe Team
 Spare Tire Bunch
 Sports Officials Services Inc
 St. Joe's Swim Club (Use of Marshall Pool)
 Vancouver Bike Club
 Vancouver Softball Association
 Vancouver Swim Club
 Volleyball Board of Officials
 Washington Amateur Softball Association
 Youth Initiative

SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS

Historically, Clark County has relied heavily on partnerships and interagency coordination to acquire, develop, enhance, and manage regional park and open space lands and facilities. Partnership projects that are currently active involve lands and facilities on Vancouver Lake, East Fork Lewis, North Fork Lewis, Washougal, Lacamas Lake and Lacamas Creek, and many other locations. Partnership projects have included a wide range of sports groups, conservation organizations, trail interests, neighborhood associations, and businesses and business groups. Clark County should maintain these partnerships and develop new partnerships to help implement the 6-Year Capital Improvements Program. Selected active projects appear below.

EAGLE ISLAND

Size: 279 acres.

System: North Fork Lewis.

Partnership Activities: Acquisition, development, restoration, and maintenance.

Key Partners: Clark County, WDFW, Pacificorps, DNR, Fish First, LCFRB, SRFB.

Project Highlights: Project involves the acquisition and preservation for habitat

purposes of Eagle Island. Funding agencies include Clark County, DNR, Pacificorps, and LCFRB/SRFB. Fish First and other conservation groups will assist with monitoring, restoration and stewardship activities. Eagle Island provides critical habitat for the last viable run of wild fall chinook in the Columbia River system below Bonneville Dam, as well as other salmon and steelhead populations.

SOUTH VANCOUVER LAKE

Size: 873 acres.

System: Vancouver Lake Lowlands (South).

Partnership Activities: Acquisition, restoration, maintenance and operation.

Key Partners: Clark County, Vancouver, WDFW, NRCS, USFWS, DU, CPU, IAC.

Project Highlights: Clark County, WDFW, and city of Vancouver own and manage 873 contiguous acres at south end of Vancouver Lake. Clark County and the IAC provided funds for acquisition. NAWCA and WRP funds will be used to restore more than 300 acres of wetlands and associated uplands.

EAST FORK LEWIS GREENWAY

Size: 1,950 acres.

System: Lower East Fork Lewis.

Partnership Activities: Acquisition, restoration, maintenance and operation.

Key Partners: Clark County, city of La Center, WDFW, State Parks, USFWS, NRCS, LCFRB, SRFB, Clark Conservation District, DU, IAC, Friends of the East Fork, Environmental Enhancement Group, Private Land Owners.

Project Highlights: Project site includes almost 2,000 acres of contiguous shoreline and uplands habitat on East Fork Lewis between I-5 and Lewisville Park. Over 425 acres of wetlands and riparian habitat are scheduled to be restored utilizing funds from DNR/ALEA, NAWCA, WRP, LCFRB,

SRFB, and other funding sources and agencies. This project—as part of a coordinated group of projects funded under the NAWCA program—is part of the largest wetlands restoration project ever attempted on the lower Columbia River.

CAMP CURRIE

Size: 252 acres.

System: Lacamas Lake and Lacamas Creek.

Partnership Activities: Acquisition and maintenance/operation.

Key Partners: Clark County, CLT, James River, IAC.

Project Highlights: This project involves the acquisition of 252 acres of shorelines and uplands at the north end of Lacamas Lake.

Key funding sources include Clark County's Conservation Futures open space program, IAC/WWRP, and donated land value.

Acquisition includes the Camp Currie group camp, which has been serving the community since the 1940s.

EVERGREEN FISHERIES PARK

Size: 62 acres.

System: Central Columbia River Shoreline.

Partnership Activities: Acquisition, development, and maintenance/operation.

Key Partners: Clark County, Vancouver, WDFW, CPU, Evergreen Schools, IAC, CLT.

Project Highlights: This project involves phase 2 acquisition, development, and management of a 62-acre park site on the Old Evergreen Highway, including WDFW's Vancouver Trout Hatchery. CPU is providing funds to help manage the hatchery and support outdoor education and stewardship activities. The Columbia Land Trust is assisting with the acquisition of 9.5 acres, including East Biddle Lake. Clark County (Conservation Futures) and the IAC (WWRP) are providing funds for acquisition and development of properties and recreation

facilities. Evergreen School District utilizes the site for year-round outdoor education programs.

BELLS MOUNTAIN TRAIL

Size: 7.5 miles.

System: Upper East Fork Lewis.

Partnership Activities: Acquisition, development, and maintenance and operation.

Key Partners: Clark County, DNR, IAC, Chinook Trail Association, Private Landowners.

Project Highlights: Clark County secured funds through the IAC to develop a 7.5-mile multi-use trail system that connects Moulton Falls Regional Park to DNR's Cold Creek Campground. The trail corridor extends through DNR and some private forest lands. The Chinook Trail Association has assisted with flagging, surveying, mapping, brushing, tread clearing, and path construction; the CTA will continue to provide maintenance services along the trail system.