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NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION PLAN

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Introduction

The purpose of a neighborhood action plan is to identify issues that are of concern to the residents of the neighborhood, and to devise strategies for addressing these concerns. In conjunction with broader policies and implementation measures contained within the City's comprehensive plan, the neighborhood action planning process is intended to protect and enhance the livability within specific neighborhoods, as well as to help fulfill the overall community vision and to create a more livable city. More specifically, neighborhood action plans are intended to:

- Educate both city government and neighborhood residents about each other's concerns and visions for the future.
- Promote collaboration between the city and the neighborhood in order to achieve mutual goals and a shared sense of responsibility.
- Create a "sense of place" within the community by identifying and developing the assets within each neighborhood.
- Initiate change, rather than simply reacting to it, by addressing specific issues and opportunities.
- Achieve sensible and coordinated project and program planning within each neighborhood and between all the city's neighborhoods.
- Strengthen neighborhoods.



Relationship to the Comprehensive Plan

In general, a comprehensive plan is intended to provide broad policy direction, which is implemented through more specific development regulations and capital expenditure programs. Comprehensive plans do not, however, typically address the more immediate needs and concerns of individual neighborhoods. The City's Comprehensive Plan, entitled *Vancouver: Comprehensive Plan 2003-2023*, was adopted on May 3, 2004.

The City of Vancouver formally recognizes 60 neighborhood associations that include almost 90 percent of the city's total population. Since 1994, many of those neighborhoods have developed neighborhood action plans, which contain recommendations for solutions to issues of local concern including, but not limited to, public safety, traffic, housing and land use. These plans are not formally adopted as part of the City's Comprehensive Plan, but they are consistent with the plan's direction, and are submitted for review and acceptance by the Vancouver City Council.

The purpose of the Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood Action Plan is to integrate neighborhood needs into the City's budget process, Six-Year Street Improvement Program, Neighborhood Traffic Control Program, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan, and other planning and funding programs. The general policy statements included in the Action Plan may also be used by the City Council to guide future decisions involving development proposals and plan amendments affecting the neighborhood.



The Neighborhood Action Planning Process

The Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood Association with assistance from the City of Vancouver Neighborhood Services has developed this plan. The actual preparation of this plan is being coordinated by the Neighborhood Action Planning Committee, whose members were appointed by the Neighborhood Association to represent the interests of the neighborhood as a whole.

A survey was taken and a draft version of this Action Plan was made available to each household in Ellsworth Springs for review and comment by all residents of the neighborhood. After considering and reconciling comments from the residents, the plan has been endorsed by the Neighborhood Association according to their specific by-laws. After neighborhood approval the Plan will be forwarded to City Council for consideration and acceptance by resolution.

It is intended that city agencies will utilize the action plans as input in developing more specific work programs and helping to establish citywide funding priorities. It is recognized that many of the recommendations contained in the action plans are only conceptual and may need to be analyzed in greater detail, both individually and in relationship to other recommendations. It should also be emphasized that financial resources may not exist for implementing all of the recommendations identified in the plan.



Overview of the Plan

This Plan contains four components. The NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE contains a general description of the current conditions within the neighborhood. The VISION STATEMENT describes the neighborhood's sense of identity and vision for its future. The NEIGHBORHOOD OBJECTIVES identifies issues that are of concern to the residents of the neighborhood. The NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION STEPS includes specific potential strategies for accomplishing the identified objectives. Each Action Step is prioritized and identifies the responsible parties for implementing those strategies.



Funding and Financial Resources

Having the Neighborhood Action Plan does not guarantee the funding. The Vancouver City Council does appropriate funding annually via the Neighborhood Action Planning Grant, Neighborhood Matching Grant and Neighborhood Community Development Block Grant program to help implement action steps. In addition, your neighborhood may be eligible for many private, federal and state funding programs.

Neighborhood Profile

The Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood is located southeast of downtown Vancouver. A few years ago it was annexed to the City of Vancouver. The boundaries are: on the north: S.E Mill Plain Boulevard, on the east: Federal Interstate 205, on the south: State Route 14, on the west: S.E. 98th Avenue, beginning at S.E. Mill Plain Boulevard and running south along the centerline of S.E. 98th Avenue to S.E. 12th Street, and then west along the centerline of S.E. 12th Street, past S.E. 95th Avenue and terminating at the east property line of the City of Vancouver property known as Ellsworth Springs, and then south along said property line to State Route 14.

The Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood is located on a sloping hill, which at one time was heavily wooded with natural springs. By the late 1800's, family farms dotted the land. The name "Ellsworth" may have had a couple of origins; however, it most likely came from a David Ellsworth and his mother who had a farm in the area. She listed her occupation as a "capitalist" on the 1870 census.

The following data is from the 2000 Clark County Census. The census tract of the area approximates the outline of the neighborhood association within a few blocks. It covers a large area, approximately 1.89 square miles with a population of 5,155. According to the census, the neighborhood is an ethnically diverse population of all ages, therefore creating a vital and growing neighborhood. There are 2,274 homes listed on the 2000 census. This, of course, is before the addition of apartment buildings and condominiums on the east side of Ellsworth Road. The neighborhood has been developed in stages over the years. The area in between Mill Plain Boulevard and S. E. 10th Street was built out in the 1950's with bungalows and ranch-style houses. Below S. E. 10th Street was developed during the 1970's and 1980's, with a mixture of ranch-style and two-story houses. Additional housing was added with a development next to the Ellsworth Springs during the 1990's. The neighborhood was essentially built out a few years ago with the building of condominiums and apartments along Ellsworth Road.

Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood is snuggled down in a very wooded and quiet place. Access into the neighborhood is plentiful, available from a number of streets, among them, S. E. Mill Plain Boulevard and S. E. 10th Avenue. The residents have easy access to necessary retail businesses and services along S. E. Mill Plain Boulevard and Chkalov Drive. Traffic has become an issue within the neighborhood because of the trips generated by the high-density apartments and condominiums and the large retail development on S. E. Mill Plain Boulevard. The future challenge is how to protect this area's residential character and prevent over development, not only from high-density residential projects but also from additional business activity on S. E. Mill Plain Boulevard.

There are many businesses located within the boundaries, along S.E Mill Plain Boulevard. The largest is Curt Warner Chevrolet, which is located next to the Ellsworth Elementary School. Many community events are held at the school. The Ellsworth Elementary School Park, which is next to the school, provides the Ellsworth Springs community with a much needed recreational area. Providing a safe environment for children is a primary concern, especially during school hours when many children are on the roads walking to and from school. There are also many churches in the neighborhood. One of the churches at the corner of Ellsworth Road and S. E. 10th Street has a community garden.

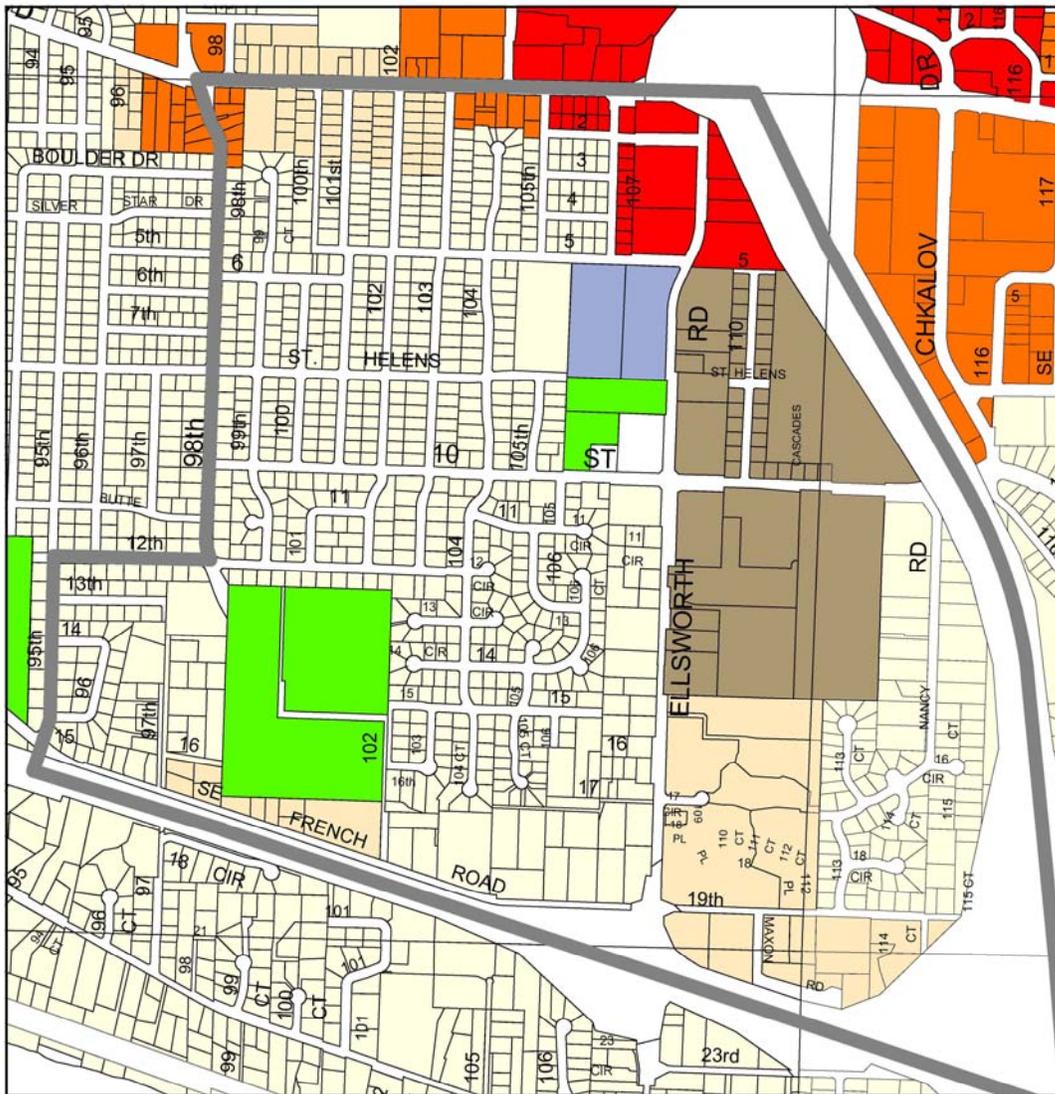
A great concern for the residents is the loss of the urban forest canopy within the neighborhood. Residential development has eliminated many stands of mature trees. The loss of the forest during the development of condominiums on Ellsworth Road is a continuing sore point for the neighbors and the residents of the condominiums. It is necessary to be able to find

a way to replenish the area's urban forest canopy and to protect the remaining trees in the neighborhood, as well as the wetlands.

We desire Ellsworth Springs to be a quiet neighborhood that is pedestrian and bicycle friendly. As a neighborhood, we value and want to preserve our mature trees and open spaces. We recognize that trees contribute to the livability of the neighborhood by cleaning the air, reducing noise and glare, stabilizing soil and improving wildlife habitat. We will, therefore, strive to achieve and maintain an urban canopy of 30% to attain these benefits.

The most prominent and essential aspect of the neighborhood is the Ellsworth Springs Woods – East. The residents, in response to surveys taken over the years, have spoken of their pride and gratitude for the Ellsworth Springs Woods. They are concerned and want the Ellsworth Springs Woods to be left unchanged, intact, and protected. The woods and natural springs is a unique area. It not only provides an urban forest canopy, and therefore a home to many species of plants and animals, but it also is the location of large municipal wells which provide water for the City of Vancouver. Protection and preservation of this treasure is paramount for the Ellsworth Springs residents and the entire City of Vancouver.

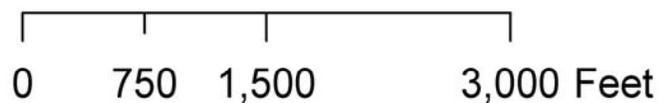
Neighborhood Zoning/Comp Map



Legend

- Urban Low Residential
- Urban Medium Residential
- Urban High Residential
- Community Commercial
- General Commercial
- Public Facility
- Open Space

Ellsworth Springs



Vision Statement

We, the residents of Ellsworth Springs appreciate our neighborhood for its quietness, its lovingly tended homes and its multigenerational character. With its supportive family-friendly atmosphere and its naturally serene surroundings, Ellsworth Springs will continue to attract new residents for many years.

We envision a safe, low-density neighborhood that serves many age groups and activity interests. We envision ample opportunities for walking and biking. We value our parks, natural springs and woods and envision increasing their accessibility and usefulness to our neighborhood. In concert with the City of Vancouver, we will preserve and protect our natural areas. We envision a neighborhood whose members feel encouraged to share their skills and knowledge in creation of a community that serves all of us well.

Our community will continue to grow in neighborly spirit. Our goal is to honor our heritage, enjoy our present community with an eye to the future for those who follow.

Objectives and Action Steps

The following recommended action items as having a “High” priority are considered by the Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood Association to be most important. “Medium” priority action steps are somewhat less important. “Low” priority action steps are considered least important.

Priority has been assigned by the Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood Association for each action step without regard for the time frame within which the recommendation can realistically be accomplished (short-range, long-range) and without concern for whether funding sources can be practically identified. Accordingly, it is possible that a “High” priority item may not be realized for many years. In contrast, some “Low” priority items could be potentially accomplished in a relatively short amount of time without significant capital expense.

Listed below are abbreviations for the various responsible parties used throughout the document:

ABBREVIATIONS:

BAC	Clark County Bicycle Advisory Committee
CTRAN	CTRAN
CERT	Community Emergency Response Team
CPU	Clark Public Utilities
DRS	Development Review Services
EPHA	Ellsworth-on-the-Park Homeowners Association
ESCHA	Ellsworth Springs Condominium Homeowners Association
ESD	Evergreen School District
ESNA	Ellsworth Springs Neighborhood Association
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FOT	Friends of Trees
LRPD	Long Range Planning Department
OWN	Neighborhood Property Owners
PDX	Portland International Airport
PIACNAC	Portland International Airport Citizen Noise Advisory Committee
VCE	Vancouver Code Enforcement
V-CPRD	Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department
VFD	Vancouver Fire Department
VPC	Vancouver Parks Commission
VPD	Vancouver Police Department
VPW	Vancouver Public Works
VSW	Vancouver Solid Waste Services
VTD	Vancouver Transportation Department
VUF	Vancouver Urban Forestry
WSDOT	Washington State Department of Transportation

I. SENSITIVE LANDS

Objective #1

Preserve and protect Ellsworth Springs Woods - East

<u>Action Steps</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preserve and protect undeveloped area of Ellsworth Springs Wells Property from future development, maintaining its natural state. 	High	LRPD, DRS, VPW, VUF, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue maintenance and clean-up of the area from storm damage and debris dumping. 	High	VPW
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an Ellsworth Springs Woods – East Master Plan. 	Medium	VUF, V-CPRD, VPW, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the Ellsworth Springs Woods – East Master Plan. 	Medium	VUF, V-CPRD, VPW, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage volunteer "stewards" from the neighborhood to actively work towards Objective #1 and to notify the police of any illegal activities. 	Medium	VPD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote natural habitat and shelter for fauna by working with the City Urban Forester to protect the existing trees and develop a Vegetation Management plan for the removal of non-native, invasive plants, such as ivy, and replacement planting of native species. 	Medium	V-CPRD, VUF, FOT, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discourage debris dumping by the posting of larger, more prominent "No Dumping" signs at the entrances at SE 98th Ave. & SE 12th St., SE 16th St., and SE 102nd Ave. & SE 15th St. 	Medium	VCE, VPW, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage neighborhood use by: 1) moving "No Trespassing" sign at SE 102nd Ave & SE 15th St. to the City's wells' fencing; 2) painting guardrail at SE 98th Ave. & SE 12th St.; 3) Rerouting trail head at SE 98th Ave. & SE 12th St. entrance. 	Medium	V-CPRD, VPW, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage financial assistance to homeowners for conversion from septic systems to city sewer service. 	Low	VPW, ESNA

II. OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

Objective #1

Ellsworth School Park

Action Steps:

- Complete Ellsworth School Park Master Plan.

Priority

Medium

Responsible Parties

ESD, V-CPRD, VPC, ESNA

Objective #2

"Ellsworth Springs Condo" Park at SE 17th Circle

Action Steps:

- Officially name park after city assumes ownership.
- Develop an "Ellsworth Springs Condo" Park Master Plan.
- Complete "Ellsworth Springs Condo" Park Master Plan.

Priority

High

High

Medium

Responsible Parties

V-CPRD, EPHA, ESCHA, ESNA

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ESNA

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ESCHA, ESNA

III. MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

Objective #1

Discourage speeding drivers in the neighborhood and along the surrounding arterials.

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educate neighbors and businesses within ESNA to slow down and drive courteously. 	Medium	VPD, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide additional police resources to enforce speed limits and yielding to pedestrians in crosswalks through 'pedestrian stings.' 	Medium	VPD, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discourage cut-through traffic from E. Mill Plain and Ellsworth Road by installing traffic calming devices on SE 100th, 101st, 103rd Avenues and SE 104th Ave. between SE 5th and 10th Sts. 	Medium	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discourage cut-through traffic from E. Mill Plain, Ellsworth Rd., and Lieser by installing traffic calming devices on SE 10th & 12th Sts. and Ellsworth Road, including a stop-sign at the blind intersection of SE 12th St. & SE 95th Ave. 	Medium	ESD, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discourage speeding in school zones along Ellsworth School by installing a 20 mph flashing light on SE 5th St. (like that on Ellsworth Rd.) and adding speed cushions before the existing school crosswalks on SE 5th St. and Ellsworth Rd. 	High	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase visibility at street corners, particularly at misaligned streets, by trimming shrubbery. 	High	OWN, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discourage cut-through traffic from Ellsworth Road by: 1) eliminating SE 15th St. extension to Ellsworth Road from the City's SE Neighborhood Traffic Master Plan (SE NTMP), Item #46; 2) terminating SE 15th St. in a culdesac; 3) encouraging the city to abandon the SE 15th St. extension right-of-way. 	High	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate an area wide study of the feasibility of reducing the posted arterial speed limits where traffic may be driving slower, where sight triangle/visibility problems exist, or risky pedestrian/bicyclist crossings occur. Locations: Ellsworth Rd., SE 10th St., etc. 	Medium	VTD, ESNA

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce speed limit on Ellsworth Rd, south of SE 10th St., from 40 mph to a reasonable, safe speed (ie. Lieser Rd is 25 mph). The intersection of SR14 and Ellsworth Road has been determined by the State to be a failed intersection because of visibility. Reduce speed limit on SE 10th St. from the 205 overpass to Ellsworth Rd. from 30 mph to 25 mph. Both SE 10th St. to the west and McGillivray to the east are posted 25 mph. Mitigate access difficulties from French Rd./SE 19th St. to Ellsworth Rd. during peak hours. Coordinate neighborhood tree planting of street trees for traffic calming and separation from traffic. 	Medium	VTD, WSDOT, ESNA
	Medium	VTD, ESNA
	High	VTD, WSDOT, ESNA
	Low	VTD, VUF, FOT, ESNA

Objective #2

**Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety on SE 10th St.
from SE 98th Ave. to the 205 Overpass**

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install and infill sidewalks on both sides of SE 10th St. from SE 98th Ave. to the 205 overpass (except where already existing from Ellsworth Road to the 205 overpass on the south side and from the Cascade Apartments to the 205 overpass on the north side). 	High	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install bike lanes on both sides of SE 10th St. from SE 98th Ave. to the 205 overpass. 	High	BAC, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reconstruct SE 10th St. to meet current street standards. 	High	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install bicycle lanes on SE 95th Ave. from St. Helens to French Road, from French Road to the lower section of Ellsworth Road as a safer alternate route to Ellsworth Road. 	High	BAC, VTD, ESNA

Objective #3**Improve pedestrian safety and access.**

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install sidewalks on: the west side of Ellsworth Road below SE 10th St.; the east side of Ellsworth Road across from Ellsworth School. 	High	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install curbing and drainage on: all avenues north of SE 5th St.; SE 5th St.; St. Helens; SE 98th Ave. to SE 105th Ave.; Nancy Rd. 	Medium	VPW, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage a walkable neighborhood through planned activities and events. 	Low	ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance and establish additional pedestrian linkages between the Ellsworth Springs neighborhood and adjoining neighborhoods. 	Low	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate pedestrian way fielding signage plan and install signs to locate schools and School Walking Routes. 	High	ESD, VTD, ESNA

Objective #4**Improve bicyclist safety and access.**

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and maintain bikeways (paths and lanes) to correspond with new facilities identified in City plans (TSP, SE NTMP, etc.) and to mitigate the hazardous areas identified in the Clark County Bicycle map and in DTS bicycle collision studies. 	Medium	BAC, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install bike lanes on both sides of: SE 5th St., SE 10th St., SE 12th St.; SE 19th St., St. Helens Rd., Nancy Rd., French Rd., SE 98th Ave., and SE 113th Ave. 	Medium	BAC, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate bicycle way fielding signage plan and install signs to locate civic spaces, schools, and shopping areas. 	Low	VTD, ESNA

Objective #5**Encourage mass transportation use, particularly for seniors, children, and the physically challenged.**

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reinstate C-Tran bus route in Ellsworth Springs neighborhood via SE 10th St. 	High	CTRAN, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade all C-TRAN bus stops to include convenient access to sidewalk ramps, crosswalks, benches or shelters, etc. 	Medium	CTRAN, ESNA

Objective #6**Provide safe streets for children to and from school and during play.**

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install bike lanes on both sides of: SE 5th St.; SE 10th St. from 98th Avenue to the 205 overpass; SE 12th St. 	High	BAC, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install sidewalks on both sides of: SE 10th St. from 98th Avenue to the 205 overpass; west side of Ellsworth Road below SE 10th St.; east side of Ellsworth Rd. across from Ellsworth Elementary School. 	High	VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install street light at the corner of SE 101st Ave. and St. Helens Rd. 	High	CPU, ESNA, VTD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install a 20 mph flashing light on SE 5th St. (like that on Ellsworth Rd.) and infilling speed cushions before the existing school crosswalks on SE 5th St. and Ellsworth Rd. 	High	VTD, ESNA, ESD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide physical barrier with street trees between the road and sidewalk where possible. 	Medium	VUF, FOT, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support walking events to school such as 1) Walk Your Child to School Day and 2) Walking School Buses, so as to increase physical activity, decrease concern of 'stranger danger,' and reduce parental speeding during school hours. 	Medium	ESD, VTD, VPD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support expansion of School Walk Routes to reach the entire neighborhood, as street improvements are made. 	Medium	ESD, VTD, ESNA

Objective #7

Encourage neighbors and businesses to manage their impact on the existing transportation system by walking, bicycling, and taking mass transit.

Action Steps:

- Encourage neighbors to make one trip per week by foot, bicycle, or mass transit instead of by car, as improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists are made and C-Tran service is restored.

Priority

Low

Responsible Parties

VTS, CTRAN, ESNA

IV. NOISE AND NUISANCE

Objective #1

Reduce the noise and visual impact of traffic on 205 and SR 14.

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We recognize the benefits of trees on noise pollution and encourage neighbors to incorporate native conifer trees in the landscapes and plant appropriate street trees to reduce noise levels. 	Medium	WSDOT, VUF, VTD, FOT, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plant evergreen trees or tall shrubs as a natural sound and visual barrier along French Rd., SR 14, and 205. 	Medium	WSDOT, VUF, VTD, FOT, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage residents to recognize the benefits of trees and protect them from unnecessary removals. 	Medium	WSDOT, VUF, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain and provide adequate care for trees or shrubs planted along the highways, roads, and freeways. 	Medium	WSDOT, VUF, VTD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate use of airbrakes by trucks on SR 14 and 205. 	Low	WSDOT, VTD, VPD, ESNA

Objective #2

Discourage increase of noise from planes landing at Portland International Airport.

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage volunteer participation in city meetings regarding PDX noise abatement and/or the Portland International Airport Citizen Noise Advisory Committee meetings. 	Low	PDX, PIACNAC, ESNA

V. PUBLIC SAFETY

Objective #1

Increase safety in our neighborhood and reduce crime.

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install street lights in dark areas: French Rd., SE 97th St. (off of French Rd.), SE 101st Ave. & St Helens, SE 104th Ave. between SE 10th St. & St. Helens; Nancy Rd.; SE 110th Ave.; SE 10th St. between Nancy Rd., & SE 110th Ave. 	High	VTD, CPU, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and maintain Neighborhood Crime Watch programs. 	High	VPD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and continue training of CERT volunteers. 	High	CERT, VFD, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage neighbors to exchange information for use in case of emergency. 	Medium	ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educate residents in emergency preparedness. 	Medium	VPD, VFD, FEMA, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain police contact with neighborhood volunteer attending Precinct Advisory Team meetings. 	Medium	VPD, ESNA

VI. NEIGHBORHOOD APPEARANCE & RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER

Objective #1

Preserve and enhance overall neighborhood livability and appearance.

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support City-sponsored Fall Neighborhood Cleanup. 	High	VSWS, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support City-sponsored Spring Neighborhood Chipper. 	High	VSWS, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage volunteer participation in the city's Neighborhood Woods Program. 	Low	VUF, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discourage any increase in housing density. 	High	LRPD, DRS, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discourage neighbors from parking RVs, boats, commercial trucks, and other equipment on street overnight. 	Medium	VCE, VTD, VPD, ESNA

Objective #2

Discourage illegal or incompatible businesses in the neighborhood.

<u>Action Steps:</u>	<u>Priority</u>	<u>Responsible Parties</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage watchdogs for code infringements. 	High	VCE, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor the impact of the city's designation of a large area of the streets near E. Mill Plain as Zone R22. 	High	LRPD, DRS, ESNA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor local business expansion near Ellsworth Elementary School. 	High	LRPD, ESNA