

## **CAN News**

#### Convert your yard into a food forest!

My name is Dan Sloan and I run Portland Food Forest Initiative, a 501(c)3 non-profit working to transition urban spaces into productive habitat. We are looking for additional Cully demonstration sites to install a regenerative food forest/forest garden. This is a great opportunity to have an amazingly productive yard instead of a lawn, increase food security and community cohesion, and create habitat!



We're looking for sites that are currently mostly grass (1500-

4000 sq ft), have full sun exposure, and that we can steward for several years. A large, contiguous grass front or backyard is a great candidate. We'll supply all the labor and knowledge and the homeowner pays for the trees and shrubs at wholesale cost (about 1/3 retail). This will generally run between \$700-\$1500 for a 1000-3000 sq ft site and is a one time cost. The harvest is split 50/50 for the duration of the agreement.

A food forest is an integrated system of fruit trees and shrubs, nut trees, veggies, herbs, and medicine-producing plants that provides habitat and sustenance for pollinators and requires less and less maintenance as it matures (unlike a veggie garden!). More info and pictures of our current sites are available at **pdxfoodforest.com** The purpose of planting these sites is to demonstrate the feasibility and practicality of producing food and creating habitat in our urban environment in a regenerative way.

Please email **<u>pdxfoodforest@gmail.com</u>** if you're interested in working together or if you'd like a tour of our current food forest site in Cully. vent and ways to get involved, please visit **<u>bit.ly/SPSW2023</u>**.

#### CAN Board Meeting Tuesday, August 22, 2023 CAN Board Meeting Agenda and Minutes - DRAFT

# **Community Updates**

## Immigrant and Refugee Week Celebration 2023

Join us for a vibrant and family-friendly celebration of our immigrant and refugee communities! This is the third year the City of Portland has participated in the annual Welcoming Week celebration, with events running from September 8 to September 15.



The Opening Ceremony, hosted by Civic Life's

Immigrant & Refugee Program, will take place on Friday, Sept. 8, 5-8 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 9,

4-7 p.m. in Ventura Park. The celebration will have family-friendly fun and games, beautiful music, dazzling dancing, delicious food, and plenty of community building opportunities!

 Together, let's build a Portland where everyone feels like they belong! See the full schedule of events at: <u>portland.gov/civic/immigrants/2023-welcoming-week</u>

#### StreetsPDX website launch

To help design streets that meet our policy goals, the Portland Bureau of Transportation has launched **<u>StreetsPDX</u>**. It' features information on project planning, right of way determination, and a map of every street in Portland with detailed information.

#### Learn how to power your home with clean energy

On October 7th, 2023, we are making history with our first annual <u>Electrify Portland! Home</u> <u>Electrification Fair</u>. Happening at the Redd on Salmon St., it will be a free, festive event with product demonstrations, free expert consultations, local exhibitors, food vendors, and presentations.

Indoor exhibition space:

- Tabling by contractors, nonprofits & builders
- Free expert consultations
- · Induction cooking demo with free samples
- Home Electrification 101 by ElectrifyNow

Outdoor space:

- Food vendors
- All-electric tiny house
- Try out e-bikes & scooters
- Try out electric leaf blowers & yard tools
- · Hands-on activities and entertainment for kids
- (Did someone say, "Bouncy castle?")

#### Get your free ticket



#### Take a Virtual Tree Tour of Portland Parks

Did you know that every tree in Portland's 174 Parks has been inventoried? Did you know that much of this information is available to you online?

What's more, some of these park inventories have been made into beautiful slideshows highlighting the cultural and historical significance of the parks throughout the years.

Fourteen parks have been highlighted, including Laurelhurst Park, Alberta Park, Columbia Park, and Midland Park. The slideshows are made possible by a partnership with Portland Parks & Recreation, neighborhood groups, and citizen scientists.

From July 2022 through June 2023, over 7,500 people accessed these virtual tours. You could be next!

See Virtual Tours of Portland Parks

# Participate, Engage, Volunteer!



## **Comment on Metro's Regional Transportation Plan**

The Metro Council and other decision-makers want to hear from you. From now through August 25, provide your feedback on the <u>2023 Regional Transportation Plan</u> and <u>High Capacity Transit</u> <u>Strategy</u>

Share your thoughts

- Take the online survey or use the online comment form
- Write a letter: Metro Planning, 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland, OR 97232
- Email Transportation@OregonMetro.gov
- Call 503-797-1750 or 503-797-1804 TDD
- <u>Comment at a Metro Council public hearing</u>, 10:30 a.m. on September 28. Metro Council meets in person at Metro Regional Center, 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland, OR 97232 and online via Zoom.

For language and other accommodations, call 503-797-1750 or email Transportation@OregonMetro.gov.

## Join Oregon DEQ to advance environmental justice

Oregon DEQ is undertaking a historic project to address environmental injustice caused by air pollution, through a project that seeks to assess the cumulative risk faced by communities that have multiple sources of pollution. This pilot project is an opportunity to look at how air pollution from many sources, all together, may affect the health of the community. In 2018 the Oregon legislature, in Senate Bill (SB) 1541, per <u>ORS 468A.339</u>, granted DEQ the authority to conduct an area risk pilot study for assessing, and regulating, the cumulative health risks from the emissions of industrial air toxics.

Cleaner Air Oregon was a landmark first step in Oregon to look at the risk to community from aggregate air emissions from individual sources. But it still remains that some communities can be breathing unhealthy air because it is caused by multiple sources as well as systemic factors that make a neighborhood more susceptible to environmental harms.

Phase 1 CAO Cumulative Health Risk Pilot

Seeking input from public for determining where the study should take place.

#### Plan to attend virtual listening session to learn more

Virtual Listening Sessions:

• Aug. 15, 2023, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Agenda: Español | Tiếng Việt | English

Slides: English | Español

• Sept. 12, 2023, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Agenda: <u>Español | Tiếng Việt | English</u> Slides: <u>English | Español</u>

We have a new website! See our new Mapping Tool here!!

# Cleaner Air Oregon Community Health Risk Pilot

The Cleaner Air Oregon: Community Health Risk Pilot project is an opportunity to work with a community and learn how air pollution from many facilities, all together, may affect their health.



Community members are key sources of information for this pilot project. DEQ is hosting listening sessions to receive feedback about choosing a pilot area beyond the legislative requirements. Join us for one of two dates: Aug. 15, 2023, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Sept. 12, 2023, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Scan the code below to visit our web page and get more details on participating



State of Oregon DEQ Department of Environmental Quality

#### Join an Advisory Body!

Joining an advisory body is a way for Portlanders to lend their expertise and personal or professional experience to the City of Portland. As an advisory body member, you will work closely with community members and City of Portland liaisons to impact policies and programs.

Ongoing recruitments closing Sunday, December 31

Historic Landmarks Commission

Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here! Mechanical Code Board of Appeal Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here! New Portlanders Policy Commission

Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here!

Private For-Hire Transportation Advisory Committee

Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here! River Community Advisory Committee

Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here! Towing Administration Advisory Committee

Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here! Transportation Network Company Driver Advisory Committee Learn more about member responsibilities and apply here!



# **Ongoing CAN Events**

#### **CAN General Meetings**

TBA at Grace Presbyterian, 6025 NE Prescott Join by Zoom @ Meeting ID: 892 9705 9428 Passcode: 795423

General Meetings are every 2nd Tuesday, monthly from September through June. CAN Members are all persons who live, work, hold a business license, or own property within the boundaries of Cully.

## **CAN Transportation & Land Use (TLC) Meeting**

TBD

Join Zoom @ Meeting ID: 892 9705 9428 Passcode: 795423 CAN Transportation & Land Use (TLC) Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday, monthly and/or asneeded from 6:30-8 pm. More Land Use and Zoning info

#### **CAN Board Meeting**

Tuesday, August 22, 6:30 - 8:30 pm <u>Join Zoom</u> @ Meeting ID: 892 9705 9428 Passcode: 795423 *CAN Board Member Meetings every 4th Tuesday, monthly year-round from 6:30-8:30 pm* 

# **Community Resources**

Check out all these other events happening around the neighborhood.

- <u>Alder Commons</u>
- Hacienda CDC
- Living Cully
- <u>Naya</u>

Living Cully maintains a list of **community resources**. Let us know what we're missing!

