



## Waluga Reservoir Neighbors Meeting I Summary

July 27, 2010

River West Church, 15751 Quarry Road

7:00 to 8:30 pm

### Introduction

This is the first in a series of meetings aimed at information exchange, problem solving and drafting a Good Neighbor Plan concerning the design, construction and on-going operation of the new Waluga Reservoir. Neighbors were notified of the meeting by a flyer mailed to over 1700 addresses comprising the carrier routes surrounding the new facility. The meeting was also advertised on the project website. An email was sent to citizens who have signed up for project news via the website. While this is the start of the official neighbor input process, the project team has had previous opportunities to discuss this facility at a meeting of Parkhill neighbors on June 17 and at the Lake Oswego – Tigard Water Supply Partnership open house on June 24, 2010.

### Attendance

Twenty-five people provided their names on the sign-in-sheet. Total attendance is estimated at 30. The majority of attendees were from Parkhill Drive, two from the Carmen Drive area and three that live on Heritage Lane.

### Meeting Agenda and Synopsis

<b>Arrival and Information Gallery</b>	Informational boards were set up for participants to review and informally discuss for the first part of the meeting.
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	<p>Jane Heisler asked participants to join the circle of chairs arranged to encourage conversation. She welcomed everyone and outlined the planned series of neighbor meetings relating to this facility. Neighbors and staff introduced themselves.</p> <p>Jane described the purpose and goals of this meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe the LO-Tigard partnership</li> <li>• Demonstrate the role of the Waluga reservoir in the upgraded water supply system</li> <li>• Answer questions already posed by neighbors</li> <li>• Seek further input and neighbor concerns</li> <li>• Publicize and recruit participation in the Waluga neighbor input process</li> </ul>

	<p>Joel Komarek gave an overview of the water supply system, the Partnership, and described the need for, and role, of a new Waluga reservoir.</p>
<p><b>Presentation of Reservoir Information (answers to previously asked questions)</b></p>	<p>A <i>Waluga Reservoir Questions</i> information sheet was handed out that responded to questions asked during the earlier conversations with neighbors mentioned above.</p> <p>Matt Maring, who is leading reservoir tank design, reviewed some of the key questions and presented information regarding the technical considerations relating to this facility at this site. Among the topics he covered were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Storage capacity needed (3.5 million gallons to supplement the existing 4.0 million, 80% of that is to supply LO’s future demand and 20% is to enable water delivery to Tigard, no water is stored for Tigard at Waluga)</li> <li>• Elevation and pressure requirements</li> <li>• Height and circumference relationship</li> </ul> <p>Matt also shared initial facility renderings simulating the visual impact of a 40 foot reservoir from the Parkhill Street perspective.</p>
<p><b>Discussion and Questions</b></p>	<p>Vaughn Brown and Eryn Kehe helped facilitate and document the questions and concerns expressed by neighbors. There were strong concerns expressed about reservoir tank height and location, safety – both from the perspective of possible tank failure and children/pedestrians during construction, aesthetics and neighborhood views, and property value impacts. The team listened to and recorded neighbors’ input. Team members answered questions and responded to some of the concerns raised as they were able. Neighbors were reminded that this is the first of a series of meetings to understand and collaboratively problem-solve to make the best decisions possible regarding this facility. A Good Neighbor Plan will document those decisions, recognize neighbor’s concerns and record mutual understandings relating to the design, construction and operation of the new Waluga reservoir.</p> <p>That input is summarized below. Responses are provided for the new questions not already covered by the previous handout. Questions will continue to be added to that document as the neighbor input process progresses.</p>
<p><b>Future Meetings &amp; Good Neighbor Plan</b></p>	<p>Jane closed the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and asked for their continued participation in the upcoming planned meetings. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40.</p>

## Meeting Input Summary

Input was recorded on flip charts during the question and discussion segment. Those items were categorized below. Responses to the new questions have been provided as follow-up.

### *Suggestions for Next Meeting*

- Idea to show possible heights – balloons and various heights
- Meet on site; mark site area to help visualize (mention of poison oak infestation limits this possibility)
- Tell us the number of trees that must be removed
- Show aerial view to show where existing trees will stay
- Research about failures on west coast and what level earthquake led to the failure
- Add tonight's questions to the Q&A. Please post online.
- Mail next meeting notice to Parkhill, Heritage, Carmen & Blackhawk, Manchester and Royal Oaks
- Schedule out the future meetings and provide dates. Last Thursday in August
- Show what a shorter reservoir would look like
- Show us all area topography
- Tell us the size of 10th Street reservoir (height and distance from homes)
- Be careful walking in there...poison oak

### *Concerns Expressed*

- Construction disruption to neighborhood.
  - Lots of children who play in the streets.
  - It is a quiet neighborhood.
- Renderings are misleading.
  - Looks like the tank is shorter than it really would be.
- Concern about a catastrophic rupture & danger to nearby homes and residents
- Liability risk to owners is big concern.
- Property owners should not be required to keep trees to buffer visual impact.
- Concern that there is a lack of flexibility on 40ft height
- The impact to this area is high. Concern that we don't benefit.

### *New Questions to Update the Q&A*

*(September meeting Q&A contains the responses to these questions)*

- How does this impact the Lake Grove water district?
- Why can the tank be 40 ft when homes must be built shorter?
- What is cost difference between shorter/wider vs. taller/narrower? (add detail to existing question)
- What is the plan for landscaping to buffer the view?
- How much of zone is impacted by low pressure?
- How tall does this need to be to address pressure issues? (add detail to existing question)
- What scale of earthquake would it be built to withstand?
- Do you have to declare this when you sell your home?
- How would this impact insurance for nearby owners?
- What category earthquake is the old reservoir built to? Is there a plan to upgrade it?
- Where does the pipeline go from Carmen? How deep will it be? What side of Carmen will be used for the pipeline?

- Will there be blasting to build footings for reservoir?
- How long will construction take?
- Can you tell us what the ribbons on trees mean?
- What will the land use process for this be?
- Size of 10th Street reservoir? (height and distance from homes)
- How does this impact the Lake Grove water district?
- Why not in the quarry area of Waluga Park?
- What happens in a catastrophic rupture?