WATER SUPPLY PARTNERSHIP

LO and Tigard City Councils Approve Water Partnership Capital Program

Lake Oswego and Tigard have reached another milestone in their agreement to share drinking water supply facilities.

Both Councils took action in December to approve the Supply Facilities Capital Improvement Program for the Lake Oswego-Tigard Water Partnership. The two communities have been working on the Partnership since March 2006. In August 2008, Lake Oswego’s and Tigard’s Council’s approved an Intergovernmental Agreement formalizing the Partnership and kicking off pre-design.

With the capital program approved, the Partnership enters a new phase: final facilities design to expand the water supply system from 16 mgd (million gallons per day) current capacity to at least 32 mgd. Key program elements to be constructed by July 2016 include:

- Build a new 38 mgd water intake on the Clackamas River in Gladstone, with initial capacity of 32 mgd, expandable to 38 mgd.
- Construct 14,000 feet of new piping to convey untreated water, sized for 38 mgd.
- Expand the water treatment plant in West Linn to 32 mgd, with room to economically increase capacity to 38 mgd. The plant will be upgraded to add conventional filtration plus ozone treatment.
- Install 35,000 feet of new treated water pipelines sized for 38 mgd.
- Build a new 3.5 million gallon reservoir in Lake Oswego.
- Replace Tigard’s Bonita pump station with a new, larger facility.

Both cities are focused on a program that delivers the most value for the dollars spent. Design, permitting and construction will be driven by a shared goal of achieving a reliable, economical, long-term water supply while considering environmental needs. The Partnership has also begun working with potentially affected neighborhoods in all four communities to ensure their interests are reflected in design, construction and operations of new facilities.

For more information on the Partnership and specific project information, go to www.lotigardwater.org.