

# West Multnomah

## Soil and Water Conservation District

### 1991- 1992 Annual Report



**Mission Statement:** To conserve, protect and develop soil and water resources; to help with the development of all natural resources in the west county for the benefit of the people, wildlife and the environment.



## Teacher Of The Year



Barbara Stross, a high school science teacher at Metropolitan Learning Center, has worked with the District the past several years. Her enthusiasm for teaching natural resource awareness was a large part of why West Multnomah SWCD selected her as their "Teacher of the Year".

Barbara has used Balch Creek as a resource to study wetland and watershed environments and ecological systems. Student activities include site studies along the creek, learning and practicing stream monitoring techniques, soil and erosion studies, and monitoring a tree planting study in cooperation with the U. S. Forest Service.

Barbara has been a teacher at MLC for eight years. She is active in the Portland Public Schools Science Club, where she shares curriculum ideas and her work with Environmental Protection Agencies Streamwalk Program with other teachers.

## District Accomplishments

July 1, 1991 - June 30, 1992

**Sauvie Island Wildlife Management Area:** The District co-sponsored meetings with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to revise the Sauvie Island Wildlife Management Plan. The process began with a public meeting in August 1991 and after several meetings and a tour of the management area, a final draft plan was developed. The final draft plan was made available to the public for comment in August 1992, and is scheduled to go before the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission in January 1993 for their adoption.

The District was successful in receiving several grants totaling over \$60,000:

➤ \$10,890 was received from the Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board (GWEB) to help finance youth crews working in Balch Creek in the summer of 1991. This grant also funded a watershed education program for children developed by Portland Audubon. The District was also able to support Metropolitan Learning Center's high school students in their on-site education program on Balch Creek.

➤ The District received \$16,000 from a METRO grant that helped finance summer

youth crews for work in Balch Creek in 1992. This grant also was used to co-sponsor a tree planting in Balch Creek during December 1991 with Friends of Trees.

➤ A grant for \$19,225 from the Department of Agriculture funded an additional summer youth crew in 1992. The crew worked in Balch Creek, Miller Creek, and on the Sauvie Island Wildlife Management Area.

➤ **Stream Corridor Inventory:** The District received additional funds from the Oregon Department of Agriculture to develop a database of forest land owners living in the Miller, Rock and McCarthy Creek watershed. This grant was also used to define projects for youth crews on the Sauvie Island Wildlife Management Area.

➤ **Landowners Booklet:** Co-sponsored with East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District and funded by the Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board, the District developed a resource booklet for small acreage landowners. It lists agencies and information available to help with specific conservation problems. Booklets are free and available at the District Office.

## Cooperator Of The Year



District directors selected Fred Cholick as this year's Cooperator of the Year. Fred runs a diversified farming operation with son-in-law Lynn Trupp on a 274 acre farm on Sauvie Island. His primary crop is potatoes, which he raises for Frito Lay for chips. He also helps manage approximately 100 cow-calf pairs, 300 steers, and over 400 head of sheep with Lynn.

Fred has been an active Conservation District cooperator since the early 1950's and has practiced good soil and water conservation management for many years. Fred says "At the time of my original conservation plan (developed by the Soil Conservation Service) I didn't believe in many of the ideas but over the years it's been good advice and proved to be true. I believe in good conservation planning and management".

West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District proudly applauds the efforts of cooperators like the Cholicks for their efforts in conservation planning and management.

# West Multnomah Soil & District

# Water Conservation Board

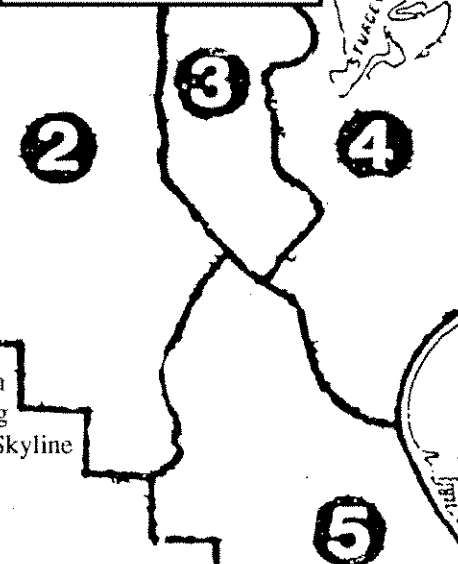
Zone 3 is represented by Joe Lucas who owns Northwest Rubber Extruders. Joe played a major role in the completion of the Dairy Creek Project on Sauvie Island and continues to represent the Board on the Sturgeon Lake Management Council.



Zone 1 is represented by Elmer Peterson, who has been on the board since 1948. Although he claims he's retired, he is still very active on his farm and in Reno (his other business venture).



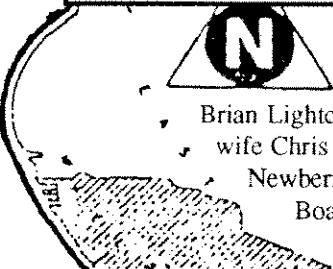
Karin Hunt, representing Zone 2, has been on the board since 1988. She is also on the Multnomah County Planning Commission and founded the Skyline Neighborhood Association.



Jane Hartline, representing Zone 4, is the Marketing Manager for METRO Washington Park Zoo and also serves on the boards of Portland Audubon and The Nature Conservancy. Jane raises sheep on Sauvie Island and was instrumental in the development of the Landowners Booklet.



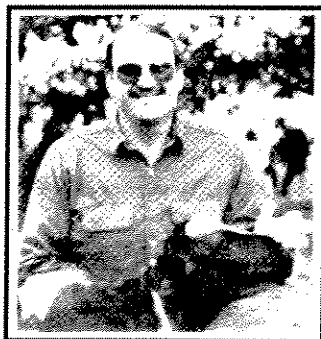
Richard Courter, a professional consulting forester honored in 1992 as Oregon's "Forester of the Year", manages his own tree farm in northwest Portland and offers management services to other forest landowners. He has led the effort to establish the "Backyard Tree Farm" Program in Oregon.



Brian Lightcap, who represents Zone 5, and his wife Chris operate a tree farm on 54 acres off Newberry Road. He is the chairman of the Board's Education Committee and has a goal of having a conservation education project for every school in the county.



Robert Vetsch and his father Richard manage a 120 milking cow dairy on Sauvie Island, which is the last remaining dairy farm in West Multnomah County. His main interest on the board is water quality and confined animal feeding operations. Currently he is the chair of the board.



# Need Assistance? The Following Agencies Serve Your Area.

## Federal Agencies

- Corps of Engineers (U.S. Army)  
PO Box 2946 — [333 SW First Ave.]  
Portland, OR 97208-2946  
326-6995
- Forest Service; Columbia Gorge  
902 Wasco Avenue; Suite 200  
Hood River, OR 97031  
386-2333

## State Agencies

- Columbia River Gorge Commission (Bi-State)  
PO Box 730 — [288 E. Jewett Blvd.]  
White Salmon, WA 98672  
(509) 493-3323
- Division of State Lands (DSL)  
775 Summer Street NE  
Salem, OR 97310  
378-3805
- Scenic Rivers Program; Parks & Rec. Dept.  
525 Trade Street SE  
Salem, OR 97310  
378-6305
- Oregon Dept. of Agriculture  
635 Capital Street NE  
Salem, OR 97310-0110  
378-3810
- Oregon Department. of Water Resources  
3850 Portland Road NE  
Salem, OR 97310  
378-3773
- Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife  
PO Box 59 —  
[2501 SW First Avenue]  
Portland, OR 97207  
229-5410
- Dept. of Geology & Mineral Industries  
800 NE Oregon Street; Suite 965  
Portland, OR 97232  
731-4100
- DLCD (Land Conservation & Development)  
320 SW Stark Street  
Portland, OR 97204  
229-6068

## Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)

- ODOT Region One: Planning Rep.  
9002 SE McLoughlin Blvd.  
Milwaukie, OR 97222  
653-3224
- ODOT (East County District Office)  
999 NW Frontage Road, Suite 250  
Troutdale, OR 97060  
665-4006
- ODOT (Mid-County District Office)  
PO Box 1339 — [9200 SE Monfield Road]  
Clackamas, OR 97015  
653-3086
- ODOT (West County District Office)  
2131 SW Scholls Ferry Road  
Portland, OR 97221  
229-5002

## Oregon Department of Forestry

- Forest Grove District (West Hills/Sylvan)  
801 Gales Creek Road  
Forest Grove, OR 97116  
357-2191
- ODF Columbia Unit (NW Hills/Sauvie Island)  
405 'E' Street  
Columbia City, OR 97018  
397-2636
- Clackamas-Marion Dist. (East County)  
41225 SE Vista Loop  
Sandy, OR 97055  
668-4646

## Local Agencies

### (County, Special Districts)

- County Transportation Div.  
Engineering Services & Road Maintenance  
1620 SE 190th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97233  
248-5050

- County Right-of-Way Permits  
2115 SE Morrison Street  
Portland, OR 97214  
248-3582
- Mid-County Sewer District  
PO Box 16887 -325 NE 122nd  
Portland, OR 97216  
823-4114
- Septic or Sanitation Permits  
1120 SW Fifth Ave. Room 930  
Portland, OR 97204  
823-7790
- Multnomah County Surveyor  
1620 SE 190th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97233  
248-3600
- Assessment & Taxation; County Recorder  
610 SW Alder Street  
Portland, OR 97205  
A&T: 248-3345  
Recorder: 248-3034
- Portland Planning Bureau: City Zoning)  
1120 SW Fifth Ave.  
[Permit Center; 1st floor]  
Portland, OR 97204  
823-7526
- Multnomah County Planning Department: Zoning  
2115 SE Morrison Street  
Portland, OR 97214  
248-3043

## Building Permits; Electrical & Plumbing Codes

- Portland Building Bureau  
1120 SW Fifth Ave.  
[Permit Center; 1st floor]  
Portland, OR 97204  
823-7310
- Gresham Building Department  
1333 NW Eastman Parkway  
Gresham, OR 97030  
661-3000
- Troutdale Building Depart.  
104 SE Kibling Street  
Troutdale, OR 97201  
665-5175

# FINANCIAL REPORT

JULY 1, 1990 - JUNE 30, 1991











## INCOME

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$20,670.59</b>
<b>District Income</b>	
ODA Funding 1990-91	\$2,067.00
Multnomah County 1990-91 budget	\$9,020.50
Interest	\$1,194.15
Affiliate members	\$1,305.00
Backyard Tree Farm	\$315.00
ODA Administrative funds	\$2,380.00
subtotal - District Income	\$16,281.65
<b>Grant Income</b>	
OYCC Portland Funding	\$2,000.00
GWEB Balch Creek Grant	\$9,801.00
ODA Balch/Miller Creek Grant	\$9,612.50
GWEB Landowners Booklet	\$12,687.77
OYCC Funding	\$6,421.00
Stream Inventory Grant (ODA)	<u>\$3,205.00</u>
subtotal - Grant Income	\$43,727.27
<b>Total Income 1991-92</b>	<b>\$60,008.92</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$80,679.51</b>

## EXPENSES

Director Expenses	\$66.94
Annual Meeting	\$21.36
Awards	\$75.00
Conferences / Conventions	\$1,116.28
Dues	\$1,237.50
Equipment	\$311.96
Education	\$816.14
Insurance/Bonds	\$250.00
Legal / Auditing	\$30.00
Mileage	\$138.10
Payroll / District Business	\$8,804.78
Postage	\$673.43
Printing / Advertising	\$158.46
OYCC	\$298.15
Backyard Tree Farm	\$354.87
Supplies	<u>\$382.30</u>
subtotal - District Expense	\$14,735.27
<b>Grant Expenses</b>	
OYCC Grant	\$6,318.93
METRO Balch Creek	\$1,000.00
Miller/Balch Creek (ODA)	\$2,852.34
Balch Creek (GWEB)	\$10,399.77
Stream Inventory Grant (ODA)	\$3,205.00
Landowners Packet (GWEB)	<u>\$13,553.64</u>
subtotal - Grant Expense	\$37,329.68
<b>Total 1990-91 Expenses</b>	<b>\$52,064.95</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$28,614.56</b>

## District Goals

-  Complete METRO, Oregon Department of Agriculture grants on Balch/Miller Creek.
-  Develop an operation and maintenance plan for Sturgeon Lake and find funding for implementation.
-  Provide planning and technical assistance for conservation plan development and project implementation for West Multnomah SWCD cooperators.
-  Co-sponsor, with Metropolitan Learning Center, a Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board grant for a conservation education project.
-  Sponsor an informational workshop for landowners.
-  Participate in Zoo Pow-Wow Day.
-  Continue participation on the Sturgeon Lake Management Council for operation and maintenance and the monitoring of Sturgeon Lake Restoration Project.
-  Work with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to develop projects for Oregon Youth Conservation Corp on the Sauvie Island Wildlife Management Area.
-  Facilitate the Tri-County Community Forestry Program which includes the Backyard Tree Farm Program.
-  Co-sponsor Oregon Youth Conservation crews with City of Portland Parks.

*Please come join us for  
West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation Districts'  
Annual Meeting, Tree Planting and Balch Creek Clean-up.*

*Saturday, December 19, 1992*

*8:00 a.m.- 9:00 a.m. Brief meeting and refreshments*

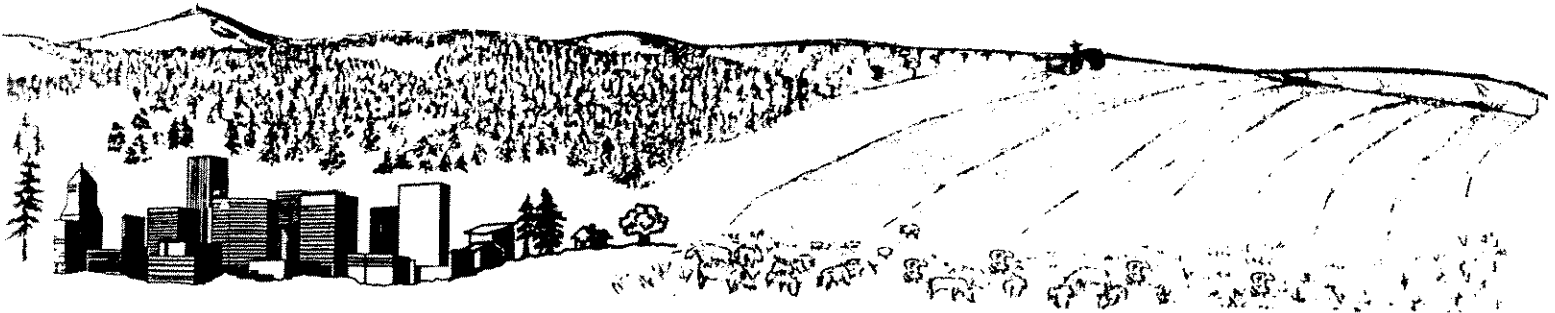
*9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Tree planting and clean-up of Lower Macleay Park*

*Meet at Lower Macleay Park*

*One block west of 29th and Upshur.*

*Come warm up with us at 8:00 a.m. with hot drinks and goodies to support  
the effort of maintaining this natural area. Even if  
your unable to participate in the planting and clean-up, we would love to  
see you and share what the District is doing. We need your input!*

*This effort is being Co-sponsored by Friends of Trees and SOLVE.*



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