



## West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District Needs You!

- Are you interested in protecting the natural spaces in your community?
- Do you like numbers?
- Do you have thoughts about how tax dollars should be spent?
- Do you want to give back to your community?

If the answer is yes, then we need you!

West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District is seeking community members to serve on the Budget Committee. As a Budget Committee member, your input will help shape local conservation efforts.

### **What you will do:**

- Lend your unique perspective to the budget approval process.
- Help allocate District funds to best fulfill our mission and protect the habitat in our community.
- Review the prepared proposed budget message.
- Attend budget committee meetings (virtual or in person), generally in April-June.

### **Who should apply to be an appointed citizen Budget Committee member:**

- People who have an interest in taking care of natural spaces like forests and streams, as well as preserving soil, water quality, and plants on built spaces like gardens and farms.
- People who identify as Black, Indigenous, or other people of color or who otherwise identify as members of underserved, marginalized or oppressed communities.
- Constituents who live in the District's service area—budget committee members must be registered voters in our district.

*We seek diverse perspectives of those with diversity in age (18+), ability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, and/or veteran status.*

### **Additional information:**

- Appointed citizen Budget Committee members serve a voluntary three-year term.
- All Budget Committee members must reside and be registered to vote within the District's service area.
- **No conservation experience or expertise is required.**



**West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District Citizen Budget Committee Member Interest Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Describe your interest in the District's conservation work and the planning and budget process that supports this work. Include relevant aspects of your background and experience that have shaped this interest.

2. Describe the unique perspectives that you would bring to the Budget Committee and what you would like to gain from being a member.

3. Describe what you feel are signs of successful teamwork and share any experiences you have had working on a team centered on conservation and natural resource issues.

I hereby certify that: (1) I live and am registered to vote within the service territory boundaries of the West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District, (2) that I am not an employee of WMSWCD or otherwise stand to directly gain financially from the District's work, and (3) that I intend to serve on the Budget Committee for a full three-year term, if appointed.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_