

Stafford: A Joint Statement to the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners

Tualatin, Lake Oswego, and West Linn

WHEREAS, the cities of Tualatin, Lake Oswego, and West Linn have agreed along with Clackamas County and Metro that the cities will be responsible for and have control over the planning and timing of any urbanization of the Stafford area understanding that uncoordinated decisions by one party could have severe, negative impacts on the other parties; and

WHEREAS, the three cities have agreed through Intergovernmental Agreement that no party will complete or adopt a concept plan for any part of Stafford until certain criteria are in place south of the Tualatin River having to do with the I-205 widening project, and until the end of 2028 for the area north of the Tualatin River; and

WHEREAS, the parties are committed to coordinating concept planning and providing for meaningful community input as well as mitigating impacts of urban-level development in the area and on the surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, development continues to move forward in the Stafford area despite the fact that the criteria have not been met to complete concept planning, leading to concerns that development will take place that is incompatible with surrounding cities' existing land use designations, development regulations, and transportation and utility master plans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that

The cities of Tualatin, Lake Oswego, and West Linn request that Clackamas County:

1. Recognize that the cities have a strong interest in a well-planned Stafford Basin, ensuring that the area develops in a compatible way.
2. Provide notice to the cities of all pre-application requests and land use applications for conditional use permits and zone changes proposed for the Stafford Basin.

Signed,



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Joe Buck
Lake Oswego Mayor



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