

## CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Study Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: August 9, 2011                      Time: 4:00 PM.                      Length: 15 minutes

Presentation Title: Land Conservation and Development Commission  
Urban and Rural Reserves Hearing

Department: County Administration

Presenters: Dan Chandler

### POLICY QUESTION

What is the appropriate position for Clackamas County to take at the upcoming hearing on changes to the Urban and Rural Reserves maps in Washington County?

### ISSUE & BACKGROUND

Last fall, the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) rejected certain Urban Reserves in Washington County. This spring the Washington County Board of Commissioners and the Metro Council adopted changes to the reserves maps in Washington County in response to LCDC's oral decision. Neither Clackamas nor Multnomah counties were consulted or otherwise involved in the discussion of the revisions.

Because the map changes revised the overall reserves numbers, the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners approved revised overall findings prepared by Metro. The county also revised its own findings to add discussion of additional materials in the record supporting Clackamas County's original reserves designations. Metro then submitted the revised package to LCDC for consideration.

Agricultural and local interests have objected to the revised designations in Washington County.

Staff from the Department of Land Conservation and Development has recommended that the LCDC approve the revised reserves designations, and the matter is scheduled for a public hearing on August 18, 2011. The hearing is limited to discussion of the changes, and LCDC does not intend to revisit the Clackamas and Multnomah County reserves, which were approved last fall.

The current schedule allows for 15 minutes for Clackamas County to make a presentation. Staff anticipates briefly discussing the Clackamas County reserves.

QUESTIONS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION

1. What position, if any should the county take with respect to the changes to the revised reserves designations in Washington County?

OPTIONS AVAILABLE

1. Make no comment with respect to the changes in Washington County, indicating that Clackamas County was not involved in the changes.
2. Briefly discuss the process, and the fact that there was agreement on most of the original reserves designations.
3. Expressly support the revised designations.
4. Expressly oppose the revised designation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Clackamas County representatives briefly discuss the process and the level of agreements, and not comment on the Washington County revisions.

SUBMITTED BY:

Division \_\_\_\_\_ Director/Head \_\_\_\_\_ Approval \_\_\_\_\_  
Department Director/Head Approval \_\_\_\_\_