



May 23, 2018

Wyatt Parno
Oregon City Finance Director
Oregon City Community Enhancement Grant Review Committee

Dear Wyatt

I am writing to request an extension for the Oregon City Parks Foundation 2017 Community Enhancement Grant for Waterboard Park invasive plant eradication. The current end date of the grant is 30 June 2018.

The primary reason for the extension concerns the need for three contractor ivy sprays in Oregon City's Waterboard Park. The first ivy spray will be scheduled this spring/summer, another ivy spray in the fall of 2018 and a third ivy spray in the fall of 2019. We also needed some time to raise the \$8,000 matching funds for our grant, which I'm very happy to report we were successful in doing.

Our 2017 Community Enhancement Grant of \$19,800 was to fund removal of invasive plants in Oregon City's Waterboard Park. Over the last ten months our Foundation has successfully removed a significant amount of ivy from Waterboard Park's tree canopy by organizing several large ivy pulls with volunteers from all parts of Oregon City. We have also had numerous small groups and individuals continuing to remove ivy from the trees and the parks grounds on a regular basis.

In partnership with the Oregon City Parks Department, OCPF has interviewed several professional ivy spray contractors to spray nine acres of the park in the areas we have been clearing. Through those interviews our Foundation, along with the Oregon City Parks Department, has awarded a contract to R. Franco Restoration, Inc. A contract has been written and sent to R. Franco Restoration, Inc. and as soon as it is signed the first of three ivy sprays will be scheduled.

The Oregon City Parks Foundation will continue to schedule volunteer ivy pulls, clearing trees of ivy, between the contractor ivy sprays in 2018 thru 2019.

We hope you will consider approval of our request for an extension to our grant.

Sincerely,

For the Oregon City Parks Foundation,

Roger Fowler-Thias, President

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Dear Lori,

On behalf of the Oregon City Parks Foundation (OCPF) I would like to welcome you to the Oregon City community.

As per our March 29th telephone conversation, OCPF is requesting a six month extension for our 2017 Metro Community Enhancement Grant. In partnership with the Oregon City Parks Department we are in the process of procuring three bids from local contractors for our Waterboard Park Project, to spray up to nine acres of the parks floor currently taken over with English Ivy. The winning contractor will spray the English Ivy this spring and again in fall of 2018.

The spraying has to be done in a specific window of time in the spring and fall to completely eradicate the ivy. Therefore we will not be able to complete our project in the Grants timeline and the need for the extension.

Regarding your request for a W-9 form, it is our understanding this form will be supplied by the spray contractor. When a decision is made on the spray contractor we'll be able to provide you with the W-9 form

Lastly, we just learned this week we will be receiving a \$5,000 Grant from the Schwemm Family foundation towards our Waterboard Park project to help with our \$8,000 matching fund requirement.

We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,
Roger Fowler-Thias
OCPF- President

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