



KATE BROWN  
Governor

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Honorable Andy Duyck  
Washington County Board of Commissioners  
254 N First Avenue  
Hillsboro, OR 97124

Dear Chair Duyck:

I am pleased to learn Washington County's Department of Land Use and Transportation and the Clean Water Services District have requested that the Washington County Cedar Mill Creek Flood Remediation Collaborative be designated as an Oregon Solutions project. After reviewing your request and the assessment conducted by Oregon Solutions staff, I believe this project supports Oregon's Sustainable Community Objectives.

By this letter, I am designating the Washington County Cedar Mill Creek Flood Remediation Collaborative as an Oregon Solutions project and appointing *you (Washington County Commission Chair Andy Duyck) and Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District Board of Directors President Jerry Jones, Jr.* as the project co-conveners. Co-conveners lead the multi-agency and stakeholder process in evaluating and prioritizing projects, coordinating permitting strategies, and sequencing improvements to mitigate flooding impacts on private and public properties.

Oregon Solutions is in a unique position to manage a process that will include residents and business owners subjected to chronic flooding. This approach brings together partners in a neutral and collaborative way to develop solutions to reduce these long-standing flooding problems and identify opportunities for mutual benefits in terms of housing stability, economic development, and the environment in this flood-prone area of Washington County.

I am pleased to see your enthusiasm in working collaboratively. While there have been a number of efforts to address this multi-faceted flooding problem in the past, it is expected that by having all of the necessary stakeholders working together you will realize positive results. By integrating and leveraging resources, this project has the potential to ensure success. Please keep the Governor's office updated on this effort and thank you for your work and commitment thus far.

Sincerely,

Governor Kate Brown

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