



**McKenzie Rebuilds
Blue River Workgroup**
Working Agreements—Draft March 8, 2023

Purpose of the Workgroup:

The Blue River Workgroup is established as a forum for government, community, and civic sector partners to work together to address issues impacting the recovery of Blue River. The group will work to build agreement and develop an implementation plan for addressing these issues. The following list of issues were identified by key stakeholders as important to Blue River recovery. Items in bold were identified as priorities to address collaboratively by the workgroup.

- **Funding gaps for construction and rebuilding**
- **Land use / Zoning**
- **Blue River Drive Design (setbacks and right-of-way)**
- Blue River Economic Development
- Survey
- Wastewater
- Building Community Agreement

Guiding Questions:

1. How can we close the gap between the costs to rebuild and the funding that businesses and residents currently have?
2. How can landuse and zoning be updated to support a Blue River community that is [insert interests]?
3. How do we develop a design concept for Blue River Drive that is [insert collective interests]?

Desired Outcomes:

- Funding - TBD by group
- A community-preferred design concept for Blue River Drive
- Land Use and Zoning - TBD by group

Membership

Members of the workgroup have been identified as representatives of key interests in the Blue River rebuilding process, this includes affected community members, government entities with relevant resources and authorities, and private sector partners with expertise, resources, and authority to assist in creating the desired outcomes. All workgroup meetings are open to the public. Members of the workgroup may be adapted as needed to ensure key parties are present

Member Name	Organization / Entity
Melanie Stanley	Meyer's General Store
Cliff Richardson	Locals Helping Locals
Devin Thompson	Long Term Recovery Group
Lane Tompkins	McKenzie School
Kristin Monahan	Kelly Nonprofit Consulting
Michael Morter	Oregon Solutions
Patrick Wingard	Dept of Land Conservation and Development
Laura Engstrom	Business Oregon
Alex Campbell	Oregon Housing and Community Services
Marianne Nolte	Lane County
Lindsey Eichner	Lane County
Becky Taylor	Lane County
Matt McRae	Lane County
Jenna Cusimano	Lane County
Comm. Heather Buch	<i>Oregon Solutions Co-Convenor</i>
Mandy Jones	<i>Oregon Solutions Co-Convenor</i>

Roles

- Oregon Solutions (OS): Facilitation of the workgroup will be provided by team members from OS staff. The facilitator will work to ensure the process is organized and will develop and facilitate agendas for meetings.
- Co-conveners: Mandy Jones and Heather Buch, co-conveners of the McKenzie Rebuilds process will engage as conveners of the workgroup. The co-conveners are responsible for helping to ensure a collaborative and fair process.
- Blue River Workgroup members: Participate in all meetings and complete between meeting work necessary for building agreement and developing an implementation plan.

Feedback on the overall process or on particular meetings to allow for continual improvements is welcomed. Feedback can be provided to either Oregon Solutions staff or to co-conveners.

Meeting Schedule

The workgroup will meet on a semi-monthly basis with additional meetings called as needed. In person meetings will be prioritized when possible.

Decision Making

The workgroup strives to make group decisions using consensus. For the purpose of this group, consensus is defined as a decision that everyone can live with. Group members who indicate dissatisfaction or objection to proposals in consensus polling agree to provide information to the group about the points of their concern and to work to provide a resolution of alternatives that will address their concerns. If the group cannot reach consensus, the group will generate a “minority” report which will articulate the majority proposed agreement and the minority’s points of disagreement in order to inform decision-makers.

Public Input at Workgroup Meetings

Workgroup meetings are open to the public. Broader community input is valued as part of the dialogue that is critical to the workgroup achieving its goals. At each workgroup meeting, time will be reserved for public comment.

Process Commitments and Guidelines

- **Communication Connectors:** We will take responsibility for being communication connectors between the various recovery groups working in the McKenzie.
- **Verify Information:** We will approach each other first to verify information heard and before passing on information to others.
- **Outside forums:** We will approach each other first before addressing things related to our work together in outside forums.
- **Transparency:** We will err on the side of transparency with each other.
- **Keep it Real:** We will be as transparent and candid as possible with each other while maintaining respectful communication.
- **Confidentiality:** We realize that sometimes we may be working with information that is not yet developed enough to be shared out more publicly. To aid in our problem solving efforts, we agree to not share out any sensitive information outside of the group and to notify the group when sharing sensitive information.

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