



THEODORE R. KULONGOSKI  
Governor

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Mike Swanson, City Manager  
City of Milwaukie  
10722 S.E. Main Street  
Milwaukie, OR 97222

Dear Mike,

I received your letter requesting assistance from Oregon Solutions to coordinate the implementation of the City of Milwaukie Downtown/Riverfront Plan. After reviewing your letter, I believe that the project supports Oregon's economic, social, and environmental objectives and I will designate the Mikwaukie Riverfront Park Restoration project as an Oregon Solutions project. I also appoint Metro Councilor Brian Newman and Milwaukie's Riverfront Board Chair, Dave Green as project co-conveners.

This project is very exciting for a number of reasons. I am pleased to hear about the opportunity to restore two tributaries of the Willamette River, with the possibility to work on a third tributary. The Milwaukie Riverfront Park Restoration Project will have a great impact on the health of the Willamette River, while engaging citizens and community partners. By collaborating with public and private partners using the Oregon Solutions process, this project will address the triple bottom line and provide an example for other communities. The Oregon Solutions approach will help you to accelerate the pace of the project, overcome potential impediments early on, and bring effective partners to the table to implement the City of Milwaukie Downtown Plan. The Oregon Solutions staff will help you assemble a team of public and private partners to develop an integrated strategy, and to sign a "Declaration of Cooperation" for the project.

I am enthusiastic about the potential of this project. Please keep me updated on the progress.

Sincerely,

  
THEODORE R. KULONGOSKI  
Governor

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Dave Green Mark Ellsworth  
Mike Carrier Greg Wolf