



Metro's next parks and nature bond: clean water, healthy habitat and nature close to home – for everyone

Voters across greater Portland may have the opportunity in November 2019 to continue protecting clean water, restoring fish and wildlife habitat, and connecting people with nature close to home by renewing Metro's parks and nature bond measure.

A potential bond measure would maintain the current tax rate, raising \$475 million to support Metro's regional park system. Proposed investments are designed to serve every community, with a special emphasis on making sure people of color benefit from public investments and helping make greater Portland more resilient as our climate changes.

Hundreds of partners and community members have shaped the proposal. Learn more and share your ideas.

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How did we get here?

Summer and fall 2018: Input on priorities and themes

Fall 2018: Advisory committee recommendations to Metro leaders

Early 2019: Metro Council proposed bond framework

Winter and spring 2019: Community input to shape project lists

June 6, 2019: Metro Council decision on sending bond to voters

November 2019: Voters consider potential parks and nature bond.

How would Metro invest a parks and nature bond?

Protect and restore land

\$155 million

Protect and connect greater Portland's special places, especially river and stream banks, oak and prairie habitat and culturally significant sites, by purchasing land from willing sellers and restoring it to support plants, animals and people.



Take care of Metro parks

\$98 million

Provide safe, welcoming places to connect with nature by completing newer nature parks and maintaining water systems, trails, bathrooms and other amenities at older parks like Oxbow and Blue Lake.

Award community grants

\$40 million

Support innovative approaches to caring for nature and creating public access at the community scale by awarding Nature in Neighborhoods grants, with an emphasis on historically marginalized communities.



Support local projects

\$92 million

Distribute money to cities, counties and park providers across greater Portland to protect land, restore habitat, and build and care for parks that connect people to nature in local communities.

Create trails for walking and biking

\$40 million

Secure land to build new trails and construct missing sections, fulfilling greater Portland's vision for a network of trails where people can relax, exercise and commute.



Advance large-scale community visions

\$50 million

Help deliver large-scale projects that uplift communities by leveraging nature to achieve benefits such as job opportunities, affordable housing and safe, reliable transportation.



Arts and events
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Metro brings people together to shape the future of greater Portland and provides places, services and tools that work best at a regional scale. Led by an elected council, this unique government gives Oregonians a voice in their community.