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# Meeting Worksheet

**PRESENTATION DATE:** 9/17/2021

**TOPIC:** Future South Property Acquisition Update

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**RELATED REGIONAL WASTE PLAN GOALS: 16.1, 16.5, 16.6**

## puRPOSE OF PRESENTATION

Staff to provide an update on a recent decision by Metro senior leadership and council to not continue due diligence and acquisition of the quarry property, next steps, and to answer any questions RWAC members have.

**background**

Metro has been planning to move some or all of the services offered at the aging Metro South transfer station in Oregon City.  Over the last year, Metro has been evaluating a 26 acre site on Jennifer Street in Clackamas to see if it would be a good place to build a new facility.

After careful consideration, Metro Council and COO recently decided that the site is not a good fit to meet the needs of the project and we will no longer be pursuing the property for purchase.

The facility siting team is focused on addressing RWP goal are 16, which speaks to improving access to services via solid waste facilities. Goal 16.6 specifically addresses the need to improve access to services currently provided by the Metro South Station. *Goal 16: Maintain a system of facilities, from smaller recycling drop-off depots to larger full-service stations, to ensure equitable distribution of and access to services.*

The facility siting team has previously presented to RWAC including an overview of why a new site or site is needed to address capacity and safety issues at current Metro South Station location, our engagement approach, site search criteria and process, and our governance structure.

**questions for consideration/aCTIONS REQUESTED**

* Does RWAC have any additional guidance on the property acquisition approach?
* Does RWAC have any input on the Community Lens Worksheet attached (produced by the Future South Community Advisory Group)

**NEXT STEPS**

* Facility siting team will continue to search for a site or sites for moving some or all of the services currently provided at Metro South Station
* Facility siting team intend to share lessons learned from Jennifer St. property due diligence process, findings from our community engagement process, and to seek additional site search guidance from Council later this calendar year.

**ATTACHMENTS**

* Community Lens Worksheet (blank for sharing)