



Staff Report

For City Council Meeting - 8/5/2020

Subject - New Business - Necanicum Watershed Council Project Ideas

Synopsis - The Necanicum Watershed Council applied for state revenue sharing funds through the City of Gearhart during the 20/2021 budget adoption process. Funds were awarded in the amount of \$1,000. Coordinator Angie Reseland contacted City staff with a list of possible project ideas that would benefit both the City and NWSC; the list is attached.

Recommendation: Staff recommends the Council identify a Top 5 to share with both the NWSC and the recently assembled Parks Master Plan Citizen Advisory Committee.

Legal Analysis: N/A

Financial Analysis: N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

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List of potential project ideas in Gearhart

Prairie/Dune restoration projects

- Invasive species/noxious weed removal

- Native plantings

- Riparian vegetation restoration

Pollinator habitat projects

- Bee friendly projects – pollinator friendly plantings, building bee homes, bee gardens

- Broader pollinator focus – bat boxes, bird habitat and forage, etc.

- Year round blooming hedgerows with native plants

Storm drain medallions “where your water goes”

Fish passage barriers – culvert replacements

Projects that reduce contaminants in the water

- Encouraging disposal of dog waste

- Proper disposal of household waste

- Septics

- Hazardous waste drop off days

- catch basins and oil water separators

Collaborate with the golf course on projects to reduce fertilizer usage/water usage

Water quality testing/monitoring/turbidity

Improvements along the Neacoxie

- filter strips, guard rails, plantings

There is grant money available to complete a drinking water master plan (if you don't have one)

Any type of master plan or study the City needs/wants

Public outreach/stakeholder engagement to get public support/participation in a specific City goal