

Prospective Petition

Local Initiative and Referendum

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Petition Information		Type		
This filing is an	<input type="checkbox"/> Original	<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/> Referendum
Jurisdiction		Some Circulators may be Paid		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County	<input type="checkbox"/> City	<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Title Subject or name you give your petition. Protect County Recreation and Trail Corridor Lands				
Petition Correspondence Select the method of receiving notices or other correspondence from the Filing Officer.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence Recipient	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email Chief Petitioners		<input type="checkbox"/> Mail Chief Petitioners	
Recipient Information				
Name Matthew Dolphin		Email Address matt@mattdolphin.com		
Chief Petitioner Information Only chief petitioner's residential city and state will appear on petition sheets. → By signing this document, I hereby state that all information on the form is true and correct and attest that no circulators will be compensated money or other valuable consideration on this petition based on the number of signatures obtained by the circulator.				
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Name		Contact Phone		
Residence Address street, city, state, zip				
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Signature		Date Signed		

Protect County Recreation and Trail Corridor Lands

It is Ordained by the People of Yamhill County:

Yamhill County holds and manages real property interests acquired or developed for park, recreational, open space, or trail corridor purposes, including linear corridors intended for present or future public transportation and recreation use, and that such properties provide important public benefits including recreation, health, environmental protection, mobility, and quality of life for county residents. Consistent with the discretionary authority granted to counties under ORS chapters 271 and 275, it is the policy of Yamhill County that County-owned property acquired or held primarily for park, recreational, open space, or trail corridor purposes shall not be conveyed out of public use without approval of the electors, except as expressly provided in this ordinance.

Accordingly, any conveyance by Yamhill County of a fee simple interest in County recreation or trail corridor property that would eliminate, substantially reduce, or materially impair public recreational or trail corridor use of the property shall be subject to approval by the voters of Yamhill County at a regular or special election.

For purposes of this ordinance, County recreation or trail corridor property means any interest in real property held by Yamhill County that was acquired, dedicated, or developed primarily for park, recreational, open space, or trail corridor purposes, whether by purchase, grant, dedication, railbanking, or other lawful mean.

A conveyance shall be deemed to materially impair public recreational or trail corridor use if it would sever a trail corridor, eliminate or substantially reduce public access to a park, trail, or open space, or prevent reasonable present or future use of the property for recreational or trail corridor purposes. This ordinance does not require voter approval for the grant or reservation of nonexclusive easements, rights of way, licenses, or similar limited property interests that do not materially impair public recreational or trail corridor use, nor does it apply to intergovernmental transfers or temporary arrangements that preserve public recreational or trail corridor access.

Nothing in this ordinance requires Yamhill County to convey any property or prohibits the County from retaining ownership of any property. This ordinance applies to conveyances completed on or after the effective date of this ordinance and does not invalidate any conveyance completed before that date. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the initiative power of the people and the County's local legislative authority, establishes a general and prospective policy governing the disposition of County recreation and trail corridor property, applies uniformly to all future Boards of County Commissioners, and includes severability such that if any provision is held invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Proposed Ballot Title (10 words):

Requires Voter Approval Before Conveying County Recreation or Trail Property.

Proposed Ballot Question (19 words):

Shall voter approval be required before conveying recreation or trail corridor property in a manner that impairs public use.