

Skyline Rural Watch Newsline



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Efforts to resist HB 2152?

Our neighbor Zoe would like you to reach out to her if your interested in working on this effort. See [SRN Previous Newsline](#) for details on the bill. She writes:

I am wondering if there have been any efforts to organize the Skyline Newsline community around resisting HB 2152?

This bill sounds disastrous, and I wonder if our voices are more likely to be heard if we respond as a united group? Maybe a letter signed by a large group of neighbors?

Thank you,

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County working to reopen NW

Rocky Point Road

NEWS RELEASE

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Multnomah County Transportation is taking steps to repair damage that has closed NW Rocky Point Road to through traffic. The steep rural road between Highway 30 and NW Skyline Blvd.

near Columbia County was closed on February 12 after melting snow and stormwater created a large crack down the center of the road about 1.5 miles from Highway 30. The crack indicated a landslide risk, so the road was closed to ensure public safety. The county expects the road to reopen this spring.

The county has taken the following steps:

Road closure signs and barricades were placed to keep the public away from the damaged section of road, while providing access for local traffic. There are residences near each end of the road.

Maintenance crews have cleared ditches along the road near the crack to direct stormwater away from the damaged area.

County engineers and a geotech consulting engineer have visited the site and developed a repair plan. The repair will install a culvert to direct stormwater under the road uphill from the slide and excavate and repave the road at the damaged location.

A contractor has been engaged to make the repair. The contractor is developing a cost estimate for the repair.

The following steps are planned next:

County and contractor to finalize repair contract with scope of work and cost.

County to acquire temporary use of private property to

complete repair.

Contractor to mobilize and complete the repair so it can reopen.

Once the contract is finalized and use of the property is arranged, the contractor will complete the repairs. Dry weather is needed for the paving. While the target date for reopening the road is not set, the county expects the road will reopen in early spring. NW Rocky Point Road will be an important alternate route for many Columbia County commuters when NW Cornelius Pass Road is closed for repairs for 13 weeks starting July 8.

Multnomah County maintains NW Rocky Point Road and more than 274 miles of roads. For more information, visit www.multco.us/roads or follow us on Twitter @multcoroads.
Community Events



Donate to Skyline Grange's Spring Garage Sale
Sale is Friday-Saturday, March 8-9, 2019.
Deadline for donations is Sunday, March 3 at 2 p.m.

Donations **MUST BE** clean & in working condition. Please **NO** dirty or broken items, televisions, computers, large exercise equipment, audio tapes, VHS tapes, child car seats, cribs, ski equipment, artificial plants or artificial flowers. Call ahead about acceptance of large furniture.

Your donations are greatly appreciated, though please be aware that they are not tax-deductible. The proceeds will go towards further building improvements and activities that support the Skyline community.

DROP-OFF DATES:

- Sat., Mar. 2 (10 am – 2 pm)
- Sun., Mar. 3 (10 a.m. -2 pm)

Contact us to arrange for another time if these times don't work for you.
DEADLINE for donating is Sunday, March 3 at 2 pm for this sale.

Questions, to Volunteer, or to Arrange Another Drop-Off

Time: skylinegrange894@msn.com.

Are you a garage sale enthusiast or looking to an opportunity to support our community? If so, please consider volunteering to help set up or staff the sale. Contact us if you are interested.



Pregister Now for SOLVE

Skyline Ridge Neighborhood Clean up

[Pregister online here: Skyline Ridge Neighbors](#) |

Walkers, bicyclists, residents and touring vehicles all enjoy Skyline Blvd with its fresh air, forest and farmland, and scenic vistas. Skyline Ridge Neighbors (srnpdx.org) is dedicated to the betterment of far NW Multnomah County Neighborhood for both residents, friends and neighbors. Come join us in picking up litter on this annual SOLVE It Clean up day. Register at the Old Brooks Hill Historic Church to get assigned a route of your choosing, pick up a morning treat and be on your way. Help us maintain the view. Thank you for being a part of what makes our neighborhood such a special place to live! Activities include: Litter Cleanup.

Forest Park Neighborhood Cleanup

[Pregister online here: Forest Park Neighborhood Association](#) |

Every year people driving and walking the streets through and around Forest Park leave behind over a ton of trash. We need help cleaning this up. Join us for a friendly and well-coordinated effort to keep the streets of Forest Park neighborhood a beautiful place to ride and walk. We'll meet at 9am at the corner of NW Skyline Blvd & NW Germantown Road for coffee, doughnuts and volunteer orientation. There's plenty of free parking. We'll hand out routes for teams of 2+ people to make sure we cover all the impacted areas. We have easier and harder routes so we can handle volunteers of all ages and abilities. Wear boots or good walking shoes. We'll provide safety vests, disposable gloves, and lots of bags. Text [503-939-8648](tel:503-939-8648) for more information.

Beck Road cleanup

[Preregister online here: Beck Rd. Community](#) |

In memory of our good neighbor John Allen, this is to continue his sense of community by cleaning up the litter along the three miles of Beck Rd between Skyline and Johnson.

We can start at our house at 9am and split up. Depending on the

number of participants, we could do 1 mile sections. From our house it is 1 mile north to Skyline and 2 miles west to Johnson. More participants would be shorter sections and shorter time, so the more the merrier!



**Forest Park
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www.forestparkconservancy.org

I hope you've been able to get out onto the the trails in Forest Park this winter. Here at the Forest Park Conservancy we've been busy planning for the future and getting ready for spring. I wanted to share the news that our Trails Manager, Ryan Graig, will be leaving FPC the end of April. We'll be looking for a new Trails Manager and I hope you will help us get the word out by sharing the [job announcement](#).

Before Ryan leaves, he's going to be busy organizing many trail projects this month through the spring. You can read all about our upcoming trail projects [here](#) and sign up to volunteer [here](#).

As you know, climate change is having big impacts on weather patterns and has led to increased risk of fire. Every summer I worry that Forest Park will experience a fire that will devastate the park. Thanks to a grant from Metro, we are working with members of the Linnton community to help them become a Firewise community. This is a federal program that teaches communities strategies to reduce fire risks and to prevent losses as a result of

fires. You can learn more about this project [here](#).

Thank you for your commitment to Forest Park. Our work would not be possible without your time, financial support, and dedication to protecting what I think is the best park in the United States!

Sincerely,
Renee Myers
Executive Director

Got a pond?

Whether it's for irrigation or fire suppression, whether it's neglected and weedy or a nicely manicured landscape amenity, you'll find lots of important information packed into this workshop. "Caring for your Large Pond and the Wildlife that use it." will be 8:30-3:45 on Apr. 6 at the Sauvie Island Grange Hall. The intended audience is people with existing ponds or small lakes -- not people with small backyard ponds or people who want to build ponds.

An all-star team of presenters are from ODFW, OSU Extension, NRCS, City of Portland and The Sauvie Island Habitat Partnership. Topics to be covered include

- Vegetation control
- Mosquito control
- Sedimentation
- Water quality
- Creating habitat
- Attracting songbirds, turtles and other wildlife

The workshop is sponsored by West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District, the Scappoose Bay Watershed Council and the Sauvie Island Habitat Partnership.

Pre-registration by Apr. 3 is required. The \$30 registration cost includes

lunch, coffee, tea and snacks.

For more information, go to <https://wmswcd.org/event/caring-for-your-large-pond/>

This workshop is brought to you by:



TVF&R Invites You to Explore a Career in the Fire Service

We are currently accepting applications for our Career Day on April 20. This is a great opportunity for anyone considering a career in the fire service. Go to <https://www.tvfr.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=511> for details.

FROM [SKYLINE RIDGE NEIGHBORS WEBSITE - SRNPDX.ORG](http://www.srnpdx.org)

SKYLINE VOICES:

<http://www.srnpdx.org/>: Local author's essays, opinions, ponderings and musings. We welcome anyone in the neighborhood to submit a blog post. Submit to: web_edit@srnpdx.org

CLASSIFIED AD and [SRN FORUM](http://www.srnpdx.org):
[srnpdx.org](http://www.srnpdx.org) - Find It!

EVENTS:

[srnpdx.org](http://www.srnpdx.org) - Calendar: <http://www.srnpdx.org/calendar1.html>

[Resource Directory](#):

As a service to neighbors, SRN publishes a listing of local

government agencies and businesses in the Skyline Resource Directory. Follow the links in this section to view its contents and learn how to add a business or agency listing.

Listing of organizations and businesses herein does not imply any endorsement of SRN nor does it imply a lack of endorsement for similar organizations or businesses not included.

COMMUNITY LINKS:

Skyline Grange: <http://www.srnpdx.org/skyline-grange-894-0>

Forest Park Conservancy: <http://www.forestparkconservancy.org/>

Linnton Community Center: <http://>

www.linntoncommunitycenter.org/

Linnton Neighborhood Association: <http://linntonna.org/>

West Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District:

<http://wmswcd.org/>

Skyline School: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/skyline/>

Lincoln High School: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>

About the Newsline: Skyline Rural Watch Newsline is a part of Skyline Ridge Neighbors (SRN) and has been produced since June 1994 as a means to communicate neighborhood information. The Newsline is produced by Laurel Erhardt (editor) with help from Miles Merwin, Libby Merwin, and Sen Speroff

The Newsline depends on you as a source of accurate information about local crimes, upcoming events, and other news pertinent to the area. If you have information you would like considered for the Newsline, you may do so by e-mailing the information to newsline@srnpdx.org, or leaving a message at [\(503\) 621-3501](tel:(503)621-3501). Urgent, timely items (crimes, lost pets) should be emailed to alert@srnpdx.org.

If you would like more detailed information about any item on the

Newsline, request that information & SRN will e-mail it to you if available.

You can subscribe to the Newsline at the [Skyline Ridge Neighbors Website, SRNPDX.org](http://www.srnpx.org). Tell your neighbors about this free Newsline service.

About Skyline Ridge Neighbors: SRN is a neighborhood association serving much of unincorporated northwest Multnomah County and some adjacent areas within the city of Portland. SRN is registered as a neighborhood association within Multnomah County, registered as a non-profit public benefit corporation with the State of Oregon and approved as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization under the IRS Code. SRN is operated by volunteers and with donated funds entirely.

If you would like to donate to SRN in support of its activities, such as this free Newsline service and the publication of its quarterly Skyline Ridge Runner, send your donation to "Skyline Ridge Neighbors", c/o John Eskew, 15604 NW Rock Creek Rd, Portland OR 97231 or donate with credit card thru PayPal - [http://www.srnpx.org/](http://www.srnpx.org) Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

