



Clackamas County Commissioners,

The Ardenwald-Johnson Creek Neighborhood District Association firmly believes that the Sunnybrook Road extension should not be allowed. Even a "down-sized" extension as now proposed will degrade the 3 Creeks wetland area and allow for potential enlargement of the road in later years. The Linnwood Neighborhood does not want this road and we wholeheartedly agree with them.

This wetland is a vital filter for the Mt. Scott, Deer, and Phillips Creeks, as well as for Kellogg Creek. It is one of the Milwaukie area's most vibrant remaining native ecosystems. Destroying any part of the 3 Creeks natural area will have negative impacts on what remains. If you whittle away at something you should not be surprised when it no longer exists. It is disappointing and heartbreaking to think that anyone would advocate the removal of even a portion of this incredibly beautiful old oak canopy in the name of convenience.

There is no replacing the trees that will be lost if this project moves forward. As citizens and civic minded individuals, we ask you to please reconsider your decision and understand the importance of what you do now and the impact it will have on future generations. You can leave a legacy of protecting a beautiful wetland where people walk, enjoy the coolness of the trees, and listen to the myriad of beautiful songbirds, or you can put in another large chunk of asphalt and concrete bringing pollution, noise, and destruction where nature once flourished.

The right decision is easy to see. We implore you to look into your hearts and vote no on this project.

Sincerely,

The Ardenwald-Johnson Creek Neighborhood District Association

Matthew Rinker, Co-Chair

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