

Healthy Ecosystems

1A. How well do you think the City's existing programs and regulations protect **watersheds, natural areas, and Lake Oswego's natural environment?**

(sliding scale, one answer allowed)

Programs (e.g. Backyard Habitat Certification program public natural areas management stream restoration projects etc.)

Selection

(Scale: 1 = not enough,
3 = just right, 5 = too much)

	Count	Percentage
1	35	17%
2	37	18%
3	81	39%
4	17	8%
5	38	18%
TOTAL Responses	208	

Regulations (e.g. tree code erosion control standards Sensitive Lands regulations etc.)

Selection

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3 = just right, 5 = too much)

	Count	Percentage
1	17	8%
2	27	13%
3	52	25%
4	39	19%
5	75	36%
TOTAL Responses	210	

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1A. How well do you think the City's existing programs and regulations protect **watersheds, natural areas,** and Lake Oswego's **natural environment?**

Do you have any feedback regarding specific programs or regulations?

(open ended, text box)

Total # of responses 75

Less Regulation

Both programs are being used to deprive homeowners and landowners of their property rights.

designating some private property as sensitive lands (thus restricting its usage/value) takes away property rights for those landowners. Why is the property around the lake not considered sensitive land...and it abuts the largest water body in Lake Oswego? Designating certain private properties as sensitive land and not others (lake) seems very unfair

I feel the tree regulations are overboard in an area where trees grow so well. I also feel that the city is too quick to encumber private property but very slow to restrict activity on lands owned by the city County or State

I have heard ridiculous stories of enforcements by staff in the name of 'environmental protection' like forcing the replacement of a deck to have a corner clipped for flight patterns of birds or protection of a scoured rutt in a backyard but not protection of a ditch in the front yard (neither of which does anything and is ridiculous by any real environmental standards). I think education of the public is key just like recycling programs. 'Sensitive Lands' doesn't provide any real environmental protection. When there are true resources on public lands or buildable private property our city chooses to ignore them and offer up already developed private property as mitigation

Let's rid ourselves of onerous government control. The more the government tries to control us the more we will be apathetic toward perceived government goals vs. our own goals. The citizens do a good job preserving and taking care of their private property without government involvement.

I don't think the city should spend money on backyard Habitat cert. If a tree is dead it needs to come down with no question asked. A lot of trees where planted 40-50 years ago in the wrong spot and people had no idea that they would grow so large.

Metro has made it clear that they do not want land use regulations applicable to people's backyards yet the City insists in reaching beyond their authority.

It seems that the city wants to develop environmentally sensitive public areas such as river front property. This is the area that must be protected!!! And sensitive lands regulations doesn't make any sense. It is arbitrary and the regulations do nothing to actually benefit wildlife or our environment. These are very serious flaws of our city.

Sensitive lands on private property is over reaching and punishing of a few. Take care of our public areas and get out of our backyards with your sensitive lands regulations.

sensitive lands ordinance is just a duplication of pre existence city ordinances of environmental protection. for example: the city has had stream corridor protection and wild life habitat protection and a very comprehensive tree code. lake oswego has been designated as tree city for over twenty years etc.

Sensitive lands should not be on private property

Taking people's land 'sensitive land' is not right and you should stop.

The Backyard Certification is realistic and achievable while the Sensitive Lands issue is unfair and goes overboard.

The Backyard Certification program is realistic but the Sensitive Lands requirements go way overboard and creates unfair hardships on residents. I especially don't understand how the subject properties were chosen with the exclusion of most lake properties. Our property is not affected so I don't have a vested interest in the issue.

There is inconsistency in what is taken care of by the City and what is overlooked. Regarding regulations the sensitive lands regulations seem to harsh. The City should lead by example on its own properties first.

Please reconsider the over reaching back yard regulations. Do you really know and understand what onerous laws you have put in place. You really think this is OK! These are over the top! Please focus on the 'public' owned property. There is much work to be done there.

Private property should not be designated as sensitive lands -- it is an assault on liberty.

Private property should not be included in the sensitive lands regulations! The tree code could also be a little friendlier for example if you plants new trees and then end of removing some trees within a period of time say 6 or 9 months then those trees should be able to count as the replacement trees. Just because they were planted before the trees were removed shouldn't matter. A little more common sense would be helpful.

Need to balance things better between public lands private lands value of the property and signifiance of the habitat/ecosystem. It appears that some parts of town have less regulations than others. Also small parcels provide little ecological value as compared to larger corridors or areas.

The sensitive lands fiasco is indicative of over government. I see a lot of neglected city property especially parks that have ivy on the trees. It seem that the city needs to focus on managing what it has before it takes on new programs particularly rights that infringe on the rights of property owners

The tree code for private property owners is ridiculous. Having to get permission on how we want to landscape our private properties is an infringement on the rights of property owners.

The city and Metro need to respect property rights.

Remove sensitive lands overlays from private properties. Designate public park areas as sensitive lands instead. I also think we need to do away with Luscher Farm community garden. Many of the people who use the garden aren't even LO residents and if we built baseball fields instead more of the community would directly benefit from the area's usage.

The city does not need to regulate people's yards. It should be up to private citizens/property owners to do what they want with their back yards. There is no shortage of trees in LO! The citizens can be good stewards of their own property without regulations that inhibit

the city needs to get sensitive land regulations off private property and onto public property. The city IS NOT a good steward and has allowed invasives to cover large portions of public lands while micro-managing private lands and turning neighbor against neighbors. We have the tree code and other reguations to protect private land impacting the ecosystems.

The new invasive tree regulations are too cumbersome. The tree code in general is too restrictive.

This city is extremely over-regulated. Lake Oswego does not need Agenda 21 tactics.

We are overregulated. Need to remove sensitive lands designations from private property. Existing tree regulations are sufficient to protect the environment. We own too much parkland that is not utilized or will be expensive to develop
The problem in my perspective is that we have regulatory provisions but the values they attempt to encompass are not exemplified in the community. In our neighborhood stream corridors and riparian areas have been decimated and code specifications not followed. So it begs the question about strengthening regulatory code when the present is not sufficiently enforced. Educational and action oriented programs need to be more visible and supported.

Manage Publicly owned area better

I think we need to better manage our public owned areas. There is a city easement in my neighborhood that is completely overgrown with invasive clemetis and the city will not tend to it.

It doesn't seem like there is much attention to public parks in terms of ivy & blackberry control. RE: regulations --- Let's practice sensitive lands on public property. See first statement. There appears to be a strong lack of interest by some city officials re: private property rights with sensitive lands. Just stick with the tree code.

we live in Mountain Park and the soil behind our townhouse appears to be sterile. The barren land does not appear to be healthy or natural. Many of the trees have dead branches and a real lack of any vegetation or natural habitat for wildlife. What protection is in place to help this public area?

Your focus should be on maintaining and improving PUBLIC lands - pulling ivy off our dying trees!!!! What private property owners do with their land is not as important an issue. Citizens are not stupid.

You aren't doing enough to eliminate phosphates used to fertilize lawns that runs off into streams. You aren't doing enough to take care of the property we have. Take a look at the park off of south shore. The trees are covered with ivy. Go see what they have done in West Linn at the big park off of 43. It is much nicer.

The public natural areas management is seriously in need of improvement and I would like to know how they prioritize their maintenance work throughout the City. The City needs to permanently hire skilled & experienced staff to do this work rather than relying on volunteer neighborhood & individual work groups. The tree code is in need of some serious revisions.

More Programs, Outreach & Education

I would like to see more programs to restore streams restore more natural and wild areas. It is critical to prevent more sprawl and to protect the Stafford area for example.

I would like to see more volunteer opportunities (or better publicized ones) to remove invasive species and replant with natives in sensitive areas. Possibly incentives to do so in our won backyard. It costs money to go through the backyard habitat program.

In practice lack of regulatory oversight and/or enforcement. Planning codes - partitioning larger homes/smaller sites and increased off-street parking/impervious surfaces - have resulted in significant downhill erosion. Improvement needed in outfalls/locations/existing conveyances. City-wide responsibility not just SL needed to protect NR.

inconsistent application/enforcement of sensitive land designation (i.e. no designation in foothills?)

Backyard Habitat program is great. Water conservation which affects surface water runoff education is great. could use more programs. tree code is essential to the character of LO as are regulations protecting our natural areas

encourage landscaping with native plants and minimal use of organic fertilizer hold neighborhood clean-ups to remove invasives

Education should weight heavier than Regulations. Emphasise proactive behaviours. LO Review stories monthly! Regulations have made people afraid to healthfully manage their easement properties so invasives go unchecked. I've seen problem trees removed and other problem trees put in to 'mitigate'. Rules dont make up for education.

City employee time and city taxes spent on environmental protection within LO city limits is not cost effective and not a good return on investment of time and money. State and federal employee time and state and federal taxes spent in protecting state forests national forests and national parks is a better return on investment for protecting environment.

Need to invest more in restoration activities. Do not simply protect areas and let invasives take over.

Tree Regulation

Please consider increasing the costs of tree removal or requiring the development plans to be filed before the trees are removed. Lots in our neighborhood are often cleared of trees unnecessarily before the property has even been sold and the trees might have been viewed as a benefit by custom home buyers. Also an incentive should be proposed for permeable pavers or other onsite improvements that

Removal of dead trees should not be so difficult in LO (requiring hiring an arborist for verification etc.). Eliminating healthy trees on the current 'invasive species' list seems too broad.

Seems a bit over the top to remove a tree even when replacing it with a new one. The cost for the permit seems high to me.

I think the city tries to regulate but I have observed many private citizens as well as developers not respect the programs and regulations. For example people who are denied tree permits and still cut down the trees and just pay the fines. Also I don't understand how people

I completely understand and agree with the desire to keep old growth trees however it can be challenging when your property is overgrown with large trees. Trying to grow a garden and have access to sun is also an important part of the natural environment.

LO authorities may suffer negative reaction of citizens who resist the tree code ordinances but those same citizens who complained the loudest may find themselves wondering what happened to our ever vanishing tree canopy one day when it's gone and too late to bring back. Successful balance doesn't happen by accident. It takes management.

more practical tree code to accommodate thinning more trimming on power line and street areas; restrict planting trees under power lines (they grow up faster than you think)

While I appreciate having a tree code and encouraging thoughtful conservative destruction of mature trees I also think we need a process that is rational and assumes people want to do the right thing. Some trees are simply badly located for example they are too close to a residence creating a fire hazard and other structural issues for the house. One shouldn't have to jump through hoops to remove such a

There doesn't seem to be any penalty for cutting down a tree without a permit.

Tree code too restrictive. Citizens treated like children. City take better care of public owned areas.

Tree code: Keeps me from having solar panels on my south facing roof. In 1996 when my house was built I had the ok to cut trees too close to the house and then the tree person said that he liked oaks and disallowed any cutting of those even ones which leaned over the line to the neighbors and had to have roots cut for the foundation. This caused me to have to pay a lot of extra money to have the tree cutter come back and cut those. The tree person was not an arborist and not a builder.

Support Regulation

I am not familiar with the city's programs or regulations but environmental protection is very important to me.

I am sorry for all of the controversy around Sensitive Land regulations. I feel they are important. At this point the discussion seems to focus primarily on trees. I think that misses the need for a health ecosystem that all includes water habitat etc.

I appreciate the laws that prevent people from freely felling trees on their properties and paving over or otherwise trashing stream segments that cross their property lines. We have to live together after all.

I like that city codes prevent indiscriminate cutting of trees and paving over of streams passing through private property; we all add to the living space.

Public education is tool #1 in the toolbox and nonregulatory incentives are #2 but there are always players who do not accept that they should play by the rules so we need adequate regulations (tool #3). I absolutely support sensitive lands regulations on top of public education and nonregulatory incentives which are preferable but which will not control totally self-centered interests.

LO regulations need to be there to properly conserve and restore watershed health and the natural environment. LO regulations and regulators also need to have a understanding of how healthy systems function and not blindly adhere to 'code'.

Lots of programs and education is very important and a good starting place but more can be done. There is a strong need for better tree protection. I have seen many trees removed that could and should have been saved. Currently the city relies on residents to comment on proposed tree removal need to add protection for native trees and need for staff to advocate more for saving trees.

Don't have enough information

do you have information on regulation enforcement?

Not enough information on stream restoration, but believe that takes priority

i am pretty new to the area - but have not experienced a lot of information in either of these categories

Other

these are vital to a future that does not ruin the natural environment. It is a difficult task but an important one.

No

No

No

We need more sports fields in LO despite any environmental regulations or programs

resources could be better used elsewhere. Lots of areas need LESS trees and brush such as waluga parks

Sensitive Lands issue has overshadowed the other programs which were doing a pretty good job.

sensitive lands not democratic but political- very poor community response and compromise

The programs do not protect the environment but rather are a trade for developing land that should be protected.

Healthy Ecosystems

1B. What concerns you about the *future* of Lake Oswego's natural environment?

(multiple choice, more than one answer allowed)

Total number of people that answered this question 223

Selection	Count	Percentage
Spread of invasive species	141	63%
Use of pesticides herbicides and other chemicals	93	42%
Reduced water quality in streams rivers and Oswego Lake	94	42%
Development of rural land	94	42%
Increased impervious surface area (e.g. driveways buildings parking lots)	84	38%
Loss of tree canopy	60	27%
Not enough open space protection	58	26%
Reduced air quality	40	18%
Not enough fish and wildlife protection	38	17%
None of the above	20	9%
Other	117	52%

Note: the total percentages add up to more than 100 due to multiple responses allowed per participant. Percentages shown in the results reflect how many people selected that option out of the total people that answered this question.

Healthy Ecosystems

(Respondents that selected OTHER) 1B.

What concerns you about the *future* of Lake Oswego's natural environment?

(text box)

Total number of people that answered this question	223
Total number of people that selected "Other" for this questions	117
Total number of people that provided text for "Other" (responses below)	42

All

All fall within existing regulations.

ALL OF THE ABOVE!!

coordination of all those checked above.

Too much regulation

Over regulation by local and state government.

over restrictive without citizen input

sensitive lands code on private property

The city does not need to pile on regulations above those already in existance - federal, state, county, etc

the city or regulates is citizen presently

Reduced freedom by L.O Citizens

To much regulation. It inhibits property owner's incentive to provide top stewardship to his property.

Too much regulation

Undue harsh and expensive restrictions on future development

Invasives

Ivy

Lack of Ivy control everywhere - it kills trees and is unsightly

Rural Land Development

Development of rural land concerns me the most of all

development of the Stafford area

effects of continuing dependence on non-renewable resources

Maintenance of City Owned Property

maintenance of city owned property

not taking care of current city property

poor maintenance of city property

We are not caring for our public lands and restricted in caring for our private property

Other

habitat protection

Establish a green efficient mass transit system to reduce traffic.

flood plane residential development

Healthy tree canopy is about 24%. We are way beyond at over 50% which is unhealthy gloomy and| |counter-productive.

Lot sizes are getting too small.

Most concerned with road maintenance and safety. Fill holes etc.

Noise issues in neighborhoods and downtown if Light Rail is allowed

reduced water quality in Oswego Lake (not as much concern in other areas.

the railroad uses as excess of smelly pesticide what seems like weekly application

too many new residents if the Foothills Project gets built. 300

Too much in-fill development and too small lots

Ugly McMansion projects and neighborhoods designed for cars over pedestrians.

Ugly McMansion projects and widening roads are a concern.

We need to make sure that we create an environment where people can be employed in order to pay for all the things we want to happen in our community

Would like to see more walkable communities

You should let Lakeridge make more parking. You should stop phosphates. You should stop ivy.

Healthy Ecosystems

1C. In 2035 how would you measure Lake Oswego's success at achieving an exceptional natural environment? (e.g. increased percentage of tree canopy; improved water quality; restored fish and wildlife habitat; etc.)
(Long Text)

Total number of people that answered this question(responses below)

169

Numerous Responses

I would like to see us maintain/increase percentage of tree canopy but reduce the amount of non-native species. I would also like to see where we can an increase in fish/wildlife habitat along with walking trails that connect them thru out town.

1. percentage of tree canopy to build structures. 2. Keeping LO Lake private. 3. Keeping invasive species out of the water starting at the public pool areas on the lake. 4. keeping the community activities orgainized by waste recycling. Foothills has a place to put various wastes..thats great. TAKE OUT ALL IVY IN TREES...IT KILLS THE CANOPY...WE LOOSE OUR TREES...WE LOOSE ALOT OF VALUE

1. Reduction and control of invasive species. 2. Preservation of natural areas and wildlife habitat. 3. Reopening historic vistas of the river lake and Mt Hood by reducing overly dense planting of trees and shrubs. There is no shortage of trees in Lake Oswego but there is a serious shortage of light open space other than ball fields views of the sky and views of distant prospects. Frederick Law Olmsted understood that as trees grow and multiply they need to be edited.

Certainly the measurable statistics are a good start but beyond a subjective look at how the statistics are achieved - has the existing canopy been maintained? What steps have been taken to keep the water quality up and have these measures been a visible improvement to the LO environment in general? etc.

2035 success of 'tree canopy' would be to have maintained the same percent 2012 'tree canopy'. 2035 success of 'improved water quality' would be to have a cleaner Willamete River. 2035 success of restored fish habitat would be to have larger fish populations in Willamete River and Lake Oswego. 2035 success at increased wildlife habitat is not possible because there is not many options to increase wildlife habitat in a dense urban city like Lake Oswego. Better return on investment is to work with state and federal lands to increase wildlife habitat.

Establishing and maintaining standards for water quality following prescribed recommendations for fish and wildlife habitat and attracting both provide guidelines and assistance for increasing tree canopy such as allowing home owners to replace diseased trees and encouraging them to plan new healthy trees as a renewable tree canopy for the future.

Certainly the percentage of tree canopy suggests an exceptional natural enviornment as well as improved water quality and decreased runoff. Rewarding homes and businesses for use of permeable paving materials would be a step in that direction.

I would measure by an increased tree canopy or at least not a drop of tree canopy percentage improved water quality of the lake and feeder streams restored fish runs greater native wildlife populations that are properly managed given the carrying capcity of the natural areas within town.

I don't believe our tree canopy has increased water quality has not improved and fish and wildlife habitat are declining. We do not see the animals that we used to have visiting in our area. We never see possums (which probably isn't too much of a loss) fewer deer and racoons. Have seen more cayotes (?sp.).

Clean water and air that meets high standards for quality; increase in green space and canopy; increase in public transportation options.

I would measure LO's success by measuring the quantities of invasive species improved water quality and the amount of open space protection. I would also see how natural the public spaces such as parks looked in 2035.

In general the city is on the right path. I would like to see a reduction in the number of pesticides used. However successful habit protection can only be successfully implemented if it done fairly. Undue burdens like the Sensitive lands issue will turn residents off faster than anything. Programs that affect property values and land use have to be considered very carefully because homes are the most expensive item most residents will buy and they depend on their homes not just for shelter but also for financial security. Arbitrary boundaries create dissent and can severely impede the roll out of important programs. We already have a successful program in place. In my Northshore Country Club neighborhood we have seen this summer alone bald eagles golden eagles osprey blue herons coyotes and deer. Lets keep a balance keep our residents aware and keep the pesticides down.

Maintenance of at least today's status in all areas of previous question. Ideally improvements in major areas such as water and air quality open green spaces no additional urban expansion.

More native plants mature native trees more native habitat with native wildlife. Pervious surfaces smaller footprints of houses better use of resources to create a cleaner greener environment in all areas of the city.

More trees and native-species ground cover over high-maintenance grass lawns. More comprehensive recycling/compost program. Future development based upon pedestrians over wider car roads and upon public transit over more SUVs.

All of our existing nature spaces are still intact. Increased Tree canopy with evergreens. Restored wildlife habitat. Minimal high desity housing developments.

Reduction of ivy and blackberry infestations improved relationship with the community around natural environment protection efforts continued water quality (there seem to be threats to it from West Linn and the pressure to use Willamette River water etc.).

open space protected more open space aquired and managed for pustrict controls on run off less cars more biking

The residents of Lake Oswego deserve the current success of our excellent natural environment not the City. The lake streams riverfront and trees have been valued by the people who chose to live here for the last 100 years and their vau is not due to city planners deciding in the last ten or so years the city should and did implement lots of new 'rules' regarding what people can and can not do regarding our natural environment on private property. Success in 2035 would be a city that is focused of maintaining our current (2012) parks and open spaces and no longer regulating trees and waterways on private property.

Unless the criticalness of preserving and restoring our natural open spaces is recognized by a responsive community the real value of our natural resources as functional watersheds and places of habitat will be lost. The invasive species control many acres and threaten to ruin any integrity of an urban forest. People living adjacent to these public areas should be activated to help ensure their survivability.

There are still rural places within a bike ride of suburban areas - with safe bike lanes to access them! All new development will install no more than 50% of parking areas made of impervious surfaces. All commercial landscaping will include at least 50% native plants and zero invasive species.

There would be no further development of land along the lake and the rivers. All current natural areas would be protected. The use of pesticides and herbicides would be regulated and enforced. Tree removal laws would continue but would follow reason and logic. I value human safety above trees. We would have volunteer community clean up days to do what we can to preserve our environment such as pick up litter remove ivy from trees clearing aggressive blackberries etc. The eagles and osprey continue to hunt at our rivers and lake. The city does not develop any new areas but rather improves upon the areas that are already developed that are not being well utilized such as the WEB most parks need updating kids need skate parks and bike trails - improve on what we've already got!!!

Sticking with the basics in providing quality drinking water keeping up the parks and natural areas that we have keeping utility prices reasonable incr

all of the above

all of the above

all of the above

All of the above including improved air quality preservation of current wild spaces.

all of the above will be a good indicater's of the state of city's enviornment.

All of the above.

all of those above plus contented diverse citizenry who actively enjoy their green little town

ALL THE ABOVE!!

Less Regulation

Getting more citizens involved not with more regulation.

Citizen involvement. Less regulation.

If we roll back extreme regulations and use some common sense in protecting our environment Lake Oswego will be just fine in 2035.

If you included the city owned properties (parks etc.) in sensitive lands you would increase the percentage of tree canopy.

If you look down on the city from streets like Overlook all you can see are trees. Many view lots are totally blocked by tree growth and the city is reluctant to let you cut trees to open up the views that were there. I believe the City is over stepping its regulatory mandate on the tree issue sensitive lands increased water capacity and many other issues.

It already has an exceptional environment and has had since 1958 when I moved here. LO citizens have been exceptional stewards of their property and its natural environment and will remain so without the onerous SL code. The city on the other hand does a terrible job with the public lands and invasive species. To measure our success would be the removal of invasive species from PUBLIC land by 2035.

It is not the city government that has achieved anything. The citizens of LO are more than capable of determining how much tree canopy we want. There are many dead and dying trees around the city that should be removed but citizens are charged for the right to remove them therefore many of these trees are not removed. The city should get out of the way and let property owners take care of their own property. Besides the infringement on citizens rights the city spends a significant amount of money policing landscaping issues involving trees.

It's OK. Leave well enough alone. Stop meddling for want of something to do.

Lake Oswego is over the top in regulations concerning tree removal and encroachment on private land. I would like to have a garden to raise vegetables but with the tree code it is not possible. The city's values trump my values. I live by one of the streams that feed into Lake Oswego. The water quality is deplorable because of storm water run off and paint and motor oil being put into the storm drains. I see little or no effort by the city to deal with this issue. We pay a surface water tax in our water bill. I have seen nothing that has been done with this money.

Leave it as it is! Use city resources to facilitate & Coordinate existing fish & wildlife efforts to clean up the healthy Watershed

Less is more. The less you try to run our lives and let us do with our land what we want the better off we will all be.

It's obviously difficult to know guess speculate ...on how things should be / will be... in 2035 and what steps should be taken now... but 'the city' is 'being overly 'protective'and to a fault !.... in my opinion ...and that of many others.

Some of the current regulations go too far. The sustainable lands restrictions on private property go too far. Also I don't like the zoning changes that allow flag lots for the purpose of increasing density. I am tired of Metro dictating how our city ought to be run.

We are doing just fine no need for additional regulations. In fact there are too many now.

Too much unfounded regulation based on emotional dribble rather than rational thinking. Which has led to unsafe tree canopy and a dark and dirty environment. Wasted dollars maintaining roofs gutters walkways and houses.

Water Quality

adequate clean water

Adequate water quality in Oswego Lake to support all indigenous aquatic species. Adequate water quality and healthy riparian habitats in the Oswego Lake Tryon Creek and Tualatin watersheds to support indigenous aquatic communities (as compared to nonimpacted 'reference' communities where they exist). Eradication of invasive species including English ivy Himalayan blackberry and other major ecological disruptors. Improved connectivity between open spaces and natural areas such that they do not function as 'ecological islands' for certain species.

Improved air and water quality.

improved water quality

Improved water quality

improved water quality invasive species have been eliminated

Improved water quality especially the lake availability of access to natural areas reduction in runoff of pesticides/chemicals
improved water quality no loss of tree canopy as measured from 2012 no loss of open space restored watershed - streams
improved water quality no reduction in parks and open spaces no High-speed Light Rail through the center of town and neighborhoods.
Improved water quality preservation of resources (less consumption reuse) maintained natural habitat and preservation of parks effecient use of space.
Improved water quality protection of boundaries lots of tree canopy
improved water quality tree canopy protected some development of rural areas for increased community access--like building sports fields such as the one at Hazelia.
Improved water quality Tree protection in open space area
improved water quality (less water usge) and restored fish and wildlife habitat improved air quality less waste similar or increased tree canopy
Improved water quality and enough natural forest type environment to workout out in.
Improved water quality with open public access to Lake Oswego
improved water/lake quality limited pavement 'growth' restored fish habitat
If the tree canopy increases anymore we won't have any sunlight so I think we should not go for more canopy. Water quality is everyone's responsibility not just a few people in the uplands with sensitive lands.
quality of water especially in the lake and the portion of the river that flows through LO and ability to direct traffic through appropriate corridors and keep vehicles out of residential neighborhoods.
Reduced traffic noise reduced motorized vehicles and lawn care products
Work on the water quality of the Lake and streams. I think clean water is very important.
Water quality and less ivy.
water quality improvement restored fish and wildlife habitat ban on pesticide use neighborhood community gardens improved air quality less traffice
Water quality in Lake Oswego
Water quality protection & education.
Less pesticide use improved water quality - Lake Oswego is so polluteted I do not let my kids swim in it. I cannot understand how other folks can.
Look at water quality--it will tell us how we're doing
Maintained water quality. No net loss of open space. Reduction in invasive species.
Mark Rosenkrantz at the Lake Oswego Corporation measures water quality already. Use his numbers.
Springbrook Creek is restored to properly functioning conditions (water quality flood plains channel stability) and meets state and federal standards.
Maintainance
Balance of community access to protected areas.... hard to measure but perhaps there is a ratio of currently developed vs. parks vs. undeveloped (with community access) vs. protected (no access). Another area is the Willamette River shoreline... I was surprized at the condition of the shoreline areas as we approached the old locks and the falls. The old factory etc. It felt like I was in New Jersey.
Maintainance of what we have now. I do not believe we need increased tree canopy for example. Our levels are excellent now. Sustaining what we have is what is important.
by simply seeing the tree killing ivy removed from the huge firs on our publicly (taxpayer) owned lands
well maintained city open spaces property and natural areas. Control of invasive species
Ivy free parks and natural areas. Same number of trees.
Maintain existing parks.
Seeing no Ivy and seeing natural growth along all the city property city parks and hopefully along private properties as well. It does no good to trim the trees if they will die from lack of nutrients being taken by the Ivy.

Balanced Approach to Development and Natural Areas

Any perceived increase in 'achieving an exceptional natural environment' is decreased by the allowance of 'infill' for the sake of ever more property tax collection. Also stay out of peoples' back yards when trying to impose the increase in so-called 'wetlands protection.'

Area design and zoning based around the pedestrian and biker over the car. Where distance is still a concern an emissionless public transit system (such as a lightrail) that works against the pattern of wider roads and SUVs. More trees and native-species groundcover instead of artificially-maintained grass lawns. More wildlife habitat.

BALANCED DEVELOPMENT AND GREENSPACE MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING EXISTING PARKS AND GREEN SPACES

Balanced living spaces for people and wildlife by mindful living use of natural resources preservation of green spaces and tree canopy and living softly on the Earth.

Buy land that surrounds the city limits to keep a natural green buffer between LO and future neighboring cities expansion and development.

Limitations in development (less housing for property space) protection of trees and natural spaces incentive programs for dying and dangerous trees that have concrete all around them for city to help with cost to remove so new trees can be planted in their space or in a safer area improved air and water quality increased safe bike and walking paths downtown area closed off to cars like in European cities protected natural areas for fish and wildlife and help with animals who come into neighborhoods going back to their protected areas

Pretty successful but too much sprawl. I would like to see more efforts to reduce carbon emissions reduce driving increase natural areas

Access by citizens to the natural environment - for ex: Willamette. Vastly increased management of LO natural parks so they are not overgrown with invasive species.

If the town does not seem over-developed and still feels like a natural habitat rather than a manufactured one I will think it is a success.

Benchmarks

Based on goalsetting by experts

We need to use year 2000 as a benchmark - before the big ice storms - and try to improve the overall flora back to a thriving 'rain forest' feel... plant more trees? -pretty soon you will be able to see Lake Oswego Golf course from Boons Ferry Road. As the tree cover is falling down yearly.

I don't believe that LO will ever be successful in having 'exceptional' natural environment now or in the future particularly since you are asking the lay public about how to measure success. We need to be educated on this topic before commenting on measuring success. However I suppose by considering reliable scientific data & HAAS (sp) w/ public perception now and in the future that would be a start. It is critical that the City is able to physically maintain the trees the tree canopies and invasive plant growth on an annual basis in all parts of the City.

By what has been accomplished and what remains

I would compare today's pollutant readings with those measured in 2035. | | Water quality seems to be the easiest to measure. Followed by an update on estimated fish counts and desired indigineouse wildlife inhabitants. I say desired because it may not be a good measure of success to have more raccoons and/ or rats in LO. Increase percentage of tree canopy would be a more difficult goal. Some trees should come down because they are diseased or are beginning to cause structural damage and should be removed. Quality non invasive trees in their place may initially provide a smaller canopy but be a better choice in the long run.

Establishing some benchmark readings and take future readings to determine increased / diminished quality of the Willamette River Water Lake Oswego Water. Compare Tryon Creek natural areas with the goal of sustaining today's conditions. Perform a critical self assessment on our ability to control invasive species within our community footprint.

If you want to succeed you have to set goals. Without goals you lack focus and direction. Goals provide both a direction and a benchmark. Set measurable goals with a timeframe...possibly through feedback from this survey and where priorities lie.

Everything should be at least 10% better than it is currently----not just keeping stasis but not expecting vast improvement given population growth and so many other factors out of our community's control.

Set goals in 2013 and monitor progress every 5 years tweaking goals to correct any lags.

no degradation from today

LO Does a Good Job Today

Citizens of Lake Oswego do an exceptional job of maintaining good environment in the city. We hate the interference of city rules and regulations that continually tie our hands. A tree has a problem get a permit that takes forever. We especially resent the taking of private property at the whim of city staff and a few council members who could care less about citizens and do their own thing. We live on our property and we know where the problems are. Please let us continue to take care of it.

I would hope it is very similar to what we have today.

How about just keeping what we have! By 2035 we will all be thrilled just to keep what we have. Is our water quality poor? I think it is good? Seems like we have lots of wild life in our back yard. So much I can't keep a garden with out it being eaten by the deer.

I believe current levels of achievement is excellent. No need to "increase" - except for control of invasive species. City does not adequately care for city owned property! My neighborhood has weed over run area.

I believe the city has done a good job and does not need to increase or improve in any of these areas but rather should focus on maintenance and sustainability of our achievements in managing the natural environment. If we have the same tree canopy in 2035 as we do now that would be a success.

I feel that we already have an exceptional natural environment and would like to see us continue to preserve our natural environment while creating a viable economy which would allow us to pay for the many services we need as a community. This community should be developed and protected by and for the residents not by outside entities like METRO.

presently lake oswego has a good environment for an urban area

Fair. Need more wild areas and less hardscape/buildings in city parks.

Education

I see neighbors routinely draining hot-tubs into the street and directly into the stream basins which undoes all the water quality efforts the rest of us make in a heartbeat which harms the fish and wildlife habitat we've worked so hard to enable. These are good people who just don't know what to do with their hot-tub water (an example). There needs to be pamphlets that go to every home directing people in all similar matters whatever they may be to manage their ability to keep pools gardens hot tubs etc without doing harm to our water quality and wildlife/fish habitats. I would measure LO success by the number of people who annectdotally seem to know what to do in their home/property situation. I.E. Stream easement help chemically treated water help irrigation help choices of trees for different needs/environments.

Half of the residence are participating in Backyard Habitat program (all adjacent to streams). Invasive species have been dealt with WITHOUT the use of pesticides and natural areas have been enhanced to promote habitat and reduce runoff. The City has set up educational programs to educate the community about a variety of habitat resortation options. Interpretive trails through Luscher's natural areas to educate residence. Promote urban agriculture (community gardens throughout the city) that also have buffers for pollinators and show the connection between growing healthy food and the positive effects it has on healthy ecosystems (everything we do is connected even the food we eat).

Take advantage of the people's outstanding stewardship by offering programs in which they can learn more about what they can do to improve their property. . . without government mandates or policies forcing the City's agenda.

I think educating the public on what is needed to protect the essential factors contributing to a healthy environment is the key. Then it is important to trust that most of the citizens who live here will be responsible and caring. My main concern involves the use of chemicals that are potentially harmful for people wildlife and ecosystems and utilizing healthy alternatives. I am assuming all the recent sewer line work will be effective in providing water quality. Education and trust vs. 'Big Brother' approach will bring more unity and success.

Habitat Improvements

restored fish and wildlife habitat

Restored and connected habitats. It seems that there are many isolated pockets of tree groves channelized streams wetlands dispersed through out the city. These need to be connected and made visible in a meaningful way that enhance citizens quality of life.

restored fish and wildlife improved water quality.
restored fish and wildlife and improved water quality
Restored fish and wildlife habitat
Restored fish and wildlife habitat more off street pathways to schools neighborhoods shopping and the like and less traffic/congestion and cleaner air.
Restored wildlife habitat
Having a healthy place for wildlife habitat (birds squirrels even deer). If they are thriving then I would feel the natural environment is healthy.
Native habitat restored and water testing would indicate whether suburban homeowners have reduced pollutants into the watershed and allowed the return of wildlife. Lake Oswego does not water test for herbisides hormones or antibiotics that I am aware of.
Tree Canopy
How will the percentage of tree canopy the water quality the fish and wildlife habitats etc. compare to what these are today. Will we have gained or lost in these and other areas.
I believe there should be an appropriate balance with respect to tree canopy. We should try to increase the total coverage while being sensitive to having enough roof top areas where solar panels can be effective. I also believe improved water quality will result from reduced water usage by using more water resistant foliage and reduced acreage of lawns in front yards.
I think LO has gone overboard with the natural environment. We now have trees blocking our view of Mt. Hood as we drive down A Avenue and the whole area is so dark and dreary during our winters because of the tree ordinance. I just hope when they decide to take down the tennis center they will restore the property to the natural environment of Springbrook Park as it was originally intended.
Increased tree canopy will come up against solar energy. Not enough is being done to clear public lands from invasive species and no brush removal is being done for fire protection. There is no need for increased tree canopy. Improved water quality comes from a lot of sources. Certain pesticides should not be sold or if they are there needs to be warnings posted by the retailer. All public lands should eliminate lawns as much as possible using turf instead of sod. . The city should look into the type of grasses that do not need mowing. Restoring fish and wildlife habitat means restoring public lands in disarray because of neglect . Mitigation should not be used as an excuse to pave over sensitive lands. All pavement should be permeable. New construction should not have impermeable driveways etc. New or reconstructed pavement should be permeable whenever possible.
Increased tree canopy. clean water. natural areas preserved/restored.
It seems the tree canopy is shrinking in LO. I would hope that wildlife habitat improves it seems to be improving a little now. I would imagine the fish and water quality will be pretty questionable by then.
Less trees cut better sidewalks
While Lake Oswego's tree canopy percentage is already very high there is no reason that it cannot be increased. The City could give incentives to residents to plant more trees such as discounts on water bills if a resident has several large trees on their property (as is done in Portland). The City should set a minimum goal to increase it to 50%. I am always blown away by the amount of wildlife in the City (I see countless ducks geese herons and even turtles on a daily basis by the lake - and raccoons are no stranger in my neighborhood). However there is an opportunity to better wildlife corridors in the area. This could be helped by the increased implementation of culverts beneath major roads to help animals better navigate our paved way of life. As is stands I often see possums racoons and other critters lying in the middle of the road after being hit by a car.
Reduced tree canopy so the now wooded areas can get sunlight. In the 30 years I have lived in the Palisades South Shore area it has become increasingly dark because of 30 years of trees growing taller. There needs to be more balance in tree regulations. Tree canopy regulations should look at the percentage of cover over a lot. Maintaining 30% cover is fine. Other than that everyone should be able to reduce their trees and associated tree cover. Otherwise those who have maintained their trees on older lots are condemned to live in dark forest neighborhoods which is not an exceptional natural environment.
Maintained tree canopy (tree replacement for all cut and/or diseased). Increased wildlife count. Protected open space and rural areas.
maintain current level of tree canopy except increase it in downtown lake grove and parking lots...water quality is improved particularly in Oswego Lake...invasive species levels decrease

We have tree code that is excessive. A healthy tree canopy is a bout 24%. Our current canopy is over 50%. It's excessive to say the least. I don't wish to live in a forest and I think the majority of citizens don't either. We have numerous codes and regulations that protect all properties. A previous council opted to not overlay the lake properties with Sensitive Lands yet add overlay restrictions to properties (part of a watershed) that drain into the lake.

Percentage of tree canopy MUST be reduced. It is not healthy not safe. Lake Oswego will never be successful in meeting the citizen's needs of a healthy environment for their homes and families when the staff in that department is comprised of environmental extremists. We will never protect our two major bodies of water because those are also the prime development areas.

Something needs to be done to protect the tree camopy. Fir trees that are 50+ years should have special protection.

Tree canopy pct = today; Water Quality (contaminants ppm) = today

Tree canopy should be a continue effort and enforcement. There seems to be progress in evaluating and enforcing in the natural enviornment area.

tree canopy. quality of stormwater runoff

Other

If the citizens are happy and not threatened by government intervention....

If there is a continuation of current plans and adjustments for eviorment and habitat changes we should be just fine.

I'll probably have be dead then. I'd 94 and with my health issues I doubt I'll get past 80 if I'm lucky.

Just about right - we could use some tree canopy down A street.

not able to answer (as I assume most of public would not be able to unless a pet project/cause is front of mind)

poor if it stayed the same has now loss of exception views and over planting of trees competing for space causing poor tree heathl

Poor! I have not seen much in the way of our water and natural areas. The city needs to work to restore Oswego Lake to a 'living' lake. Improve lake water quality. Clean up streams such as Bryant Woods (ie. garbage old tires etc.)

Reduction in impervious area. Increased infiltration and low impact development methods for the treatment of storm water. This involves setting aside functional open spaces and protecting natural resources in place. Tree groves riparian areas and wetlands all function to treat runoff.

Reduction in the use of pesticides increase in amount of open space between homes and removal of Sensitive lands laws.

Sain balance between natural environment and human progress. It's not all or nothing. I don't expect and the goal should not be successfully achieving an exceptional natural environment. It should be health livability for humans and the environment.

Sorry I can't answer that.

The 3 mentioned above. More restrictions on home use of non organic home fertilizers. Limit on how much property can be covered by non-porous surfaces.

The City of LO does an 'ok' job and could improve in all areas. I perceive a huge lack of judgement in the City Planning department allowing more dense housing in areas where single family housing is more appropriate or dividing one large lot up and allowing three homes to be built on the original parcel. This oversight has caused many trees to be cut down and impacted water run off.

Until the lake itself is included in the water quality and tree protection areas the rest is just window dressing.

a communitiy united behind the ideas and actions needed to maintain the natural environment.

A plan to link an efficient green method of mass transit with Portland; an exterior loop that allows for circular movement from DT Portland along Macadam to DT Lake Oswego up A Street down Country Club down Boones Ferry to Bridgeport along I5 into DT Portland and back to Macadam allowing for citizens of all ages to board and depart at frequent landings along the way scanning a mass transit pass.

by the complaints and compliments received in the planning departments

By the way I felt about the activity of the city council.

Addressing the issues identified in question 1B with a comprehensive strategic plan that can evolve and deploy in the next 20 years.

Better than most cities but could still use improvement.

by asking and surveying it's citizens. This is an area that we can easily waste considerable money on in setting specific metrics. The bottom line is: Are the citizen taxpayers satisfied with the level.

By seeing how healthy the ecosystem is.

home values remain above average for teh portland metro region

Housing density per square mile. The lower the better. Limit additional multi-family dwelling to limit impact on environment - more people heavier footprint.

I will be dead long before 2035.

I would hope that it would be 'just right'.

I would measure it by it's green-ness: in looks (trees wildlife) and sustainability (eg. better waste management at schools and available to residents such as food waste separated from landfill)

Healthy Ecosystems

2A. How important do you think it is to protect and restore Lake Oswego's natural resources?
(sliding scale, one answer allowed)

Stream Corridors

Selection

(Scale: 1 = not important,
 3 =somewhat important,
 5 = very important)

	Count	Percentage
1	12	6%
2	10	5%
3	48	23%
4	34	16%
5	106	50%
TOTAL Responses	210	

Wetlands

Selection

(Scale: 1 = not important,
 3 =somewhat important,
 5 = very important)

	Count	Percentage
1	17	8%
2	17	8%
3	48	23%
4	30	14%
5	93	44%
TOTAL Responses	205	

Tree groves

Selection

(Scale: 1 = not important,
 3 =somewhat important,
 5 = very important)

	Count	Percentage
1	30	14%
2	18	9%
3	50	24%
4	26	12%
5	87	41%
TOTAL Responses	211	

Healthy Ecosystems

2B. What strategies should the City use to protect and restore natural resources?

(multiple choice, more than one answer allowed)

Total number of people that answered this question 208

Selection	Count	Percentage
Create incentive programs to encourage property owners to protect and restore natural resources (e.g. grants for stream channel restoration or invasive plant removal)	148	71%
Provide education and outreach to property owners(e.g. offer workshops on best management practices)	137	66%
Establish funding to acquire resource areas as public open space	89	43%
Use the City zoning code to limit development within resource areas (e.g. Sensitive Lands regulations)	88	42%
Increase funding for the restoration of natural areas	81	39%
Establish funding to acquire conservation easements on resource areas (A conservation easement is a voluntary, legally binding agreement where a property owner limits the amount or type of development that can occur within a resource area but retains ownership of the land.)	68	33%
Other	36	17%

Note: the total percentages add up to more than 100 due to multiple responses allowed per participant. Percentages shown in the results reflect how many people selected that option out of the total people that answered this question.

Healthy Ecosystems

(respondents that selected OTHER) 20: What strategies should the City use to protect and restore natural resources? (text box)	
Total number of people that answered this question	208
Total number of people that selected "Other" for this questions	36
Total number of people that provided text for "Other" (responses below)	45
Additional purchases must be budgeted so as to improve and protect from day one-not left to less than benign neglect	
Anything that works and perhaps taps into federal funding streams like NFWF.	
Back off the over-regulation and use reasonable practices that won't bankrupt the city	
better maintenance schedule and focus on existing city property/easements/parks	
Connect people with Oswego Lake to make them want to preserve/restore it	
create a culture where we can get along and make good decisions together.	
Effective development codes that conserve natural resource functions.	
Emphasis must be on individual ownership and stewardship to reap the greatest benefit	
Funding is not necessary and zoning is adequate. Sensitive land grabs are not needed.	
Get rid of the Sensitive Lands regulations	
Get younger students involved. Have schools adopt an area for students to learn and do a fundraising project.	
Hold events and create a social environment that encourages healthy land choices	
I agree with a sensitive or critical lands regulations but feel that the economic impact must also be	
I doesn't do any good to provide funding for grants if you also don't provide staff to manage.	
I don't think more tax dollars are needed to prtect resources in L.O.	
I prefer that public funding be directed to other city priorities (Rec. Center sports fields)	
incentives work - mandates/laws do not	
Just maintain the public open space we have. Do not buy more. The city is barely managing what it has	
Keep it simple. Remove Ivy. We do not need to do anything fancy. Remove Ivy.	
Less local and state control of development.	
no more funding.	
No new funding is needed. Just focus existing resources only on maintaining not improving existing public assets.	
not sure city should be involved with any of the above areas. funding is lacking for essential services	
nothing	
Partner with schools if possible to provide habitat restoration as an educational experience and contribution to the community	
PLEASE work with the citizens!! Education etc. Don't just take away rights...because you think you know better how to manage property!	
PROTECT TREE GROVES. EDUCATING PUBLIC CUTTING IVY BASES AT BASES OF TREES.	
Provide education & code expectations for commercial owners to protect/restore natural resources.	
quickly hire permanent staff to assist Pam Peterson	
Reduce noises and air polutions invasing our neighborhoods via UPS and Fedex by home business	
Respect the rights of the property owners to do what they want on their property	
science workshops where people are guided in their restoration of natural areas while learning about how they work.	
Stop buying new property until we take care of what we already have.	
Stop using these programs to favor some developers penalize private property owners	
the city has already done too much in this area the citizens are good stewards	
the city has done enough in this area	

the city is fine and needs to start worrying about roads and city services.

Everything is fine right now! Just be happy with how the city currently is!!!!

The city should concentrate on infrastructure.

Use City zoning code to develop green efficient transit that reduces impact of traffic.

Use existing public employees to pull invasive ivy from publicly owned trees

We do not need any additional funding. Property owners are over regulated as is.

We have too many trees in the city. I favor cutting trees near homes to preserve roofs and gutters

Whatever works within the budget. I don't wish to pay more taxes.

Why does this require more funding and/or regulation??

Healthy Ecosystems

Residents can...(Long Text) 135 Responses	
Multiple Ideas in Each Response	
Eradicate invasive species on their property. Voluntarily agree to avoid yard or other activities that may tend to supply phosphorus or toxics to the watershed. Participate in community civic activities and neighborhood associations.	
reduce water usage; do not pollute watershed; plant low water usage plants; use ecofriendly products; increase recycling; do not cut down trees	
Remove invasive plants to the best of their ability on their own property. Avoid use of harmful chemicals including harmful detergents. Use green products as much as possible for any construction and limit construction proximity to all rivers lakes and streams. Cut ivy off the trees.	
Re-use re-purpose and re-cycle. Plant natives and eliminate lawns and replant with green ground covers or lawns that need little mowing and less watering.	
Take part in recycling programs compost fuel-efficient practices (ie open windows instead of leaving air conditioners running; rakes over leaf blowers; car-pooling; park-and-ride commute over driving all the way)	
Plant natives and drought tollerant plants and plants that feed pollinators. Reduce waste they produce (decrease garbage collect to every 2 weeks - reduced pollution). Bike and walk more. Raise produce in neighborhood community gardens.	
Do a better job recycling and reducing use of chemicals in yard and house maintenance	
increase recycling reduce invasive species	
RECYCLE AND COMPOST AT HOME. RESIDENTS CAN LEARN ABOUT IVY AND THE HARM IT HAS TO OUR CANOPIES AS IT CLIMBS	
not use pesticides not keep lawns green in summer cut down on watering all year. Reduce water use in homes. Use plants that don't require so much water and upkeep.	
use native plants. ivy removal. conserve water. compost.	
use no pesticides or herbicides recycle everything make your own compost	
reduce use of chemical lawn treatments...tax themselves to invest more in restoration...follow natural resource regulations	
Green building practices including solar. Sustainable systems such as rain water harvesting composting limiting use of pesticides.	
Landscaping Practices (native plants, less chemicals, reduce water use)	
plant native species. control invasive species. control use of pesticides (lake run off)	
Remove Ivy from trees and land	
plant native species and control invasive species	
Plant native plants. Do not use pesticides.	
remove invasive species	
landscape with native plants remove invasives use minimal amounts of organic fertilizer be mindful that storm drains do drain to streams	
Use rain barrels	
plant low water use plants	

Limit use of pesticides and herbicides remove invasive species	
plant and landscape and remove ivy.	
Residents can landscape their yards with respect to protecting the environment.	
xeriscape use only native plants	
Regularly maintain the landscaped pathway strips in front of their house.	
Stop using weed blowers	
LESSEN NEGATIVE IMPACT BY MANAGING CHEMICALS AND INVAISIVES AND OTHER PASSIVE MODES	
use less fertilizer with phosphates	
Reduce water usage and use of pesticides and fertilizer by reducing lawn areas and using native plants establish rain gardens etc.	
landscape appropriately as well as care for those landscapes using the least toxic materials and proper watering as well as proper plant placement to reduce irrigation needs. Also they can carefully calibrate their irrigation systems to work efficiently as most systems do not.	
use less fertilizer on their lawns plant more trees/plants vs grass; install solar panels and cut down on electricity and water usage.	
Plant native plants good for birds bees & other wildlife use backyard composting increase (through affordable) composting & mulching flower & garden beds put up bat & mason bee houses & water wisely.	
Be educated by the city in not using excess fertilizers or pesticides near streams. Be informed by the city about what is not Ok to put in storm drains	
not spray herbicides in their gardens	
Limit the amount of lawn or allow it to go dormant in the summer.	
show a care by learning how to best manage natural landscapes for water quality and for habitat.	
..choose not to water their lawns during the summer months....can choose to have lawns with more drought resistant plants instead of grass...can choose to collect rainwater from their gutter spouts to use for watering their garden/indoor plants...	
reduce water use	
use resonable amounts of fertilizer/pesticides/herbacides	
reduce use of chemicals in their yard and conserve water usage	
1. Build 'victory' gardens 2. landscape with native plants to build habitat for birds and small animals 3. Use water and energy wisely 4. Compost organics	
Personal rain gardens disconnect their spouts.	
Use less chemicals in their yard. Learn to use less water in their yards . Consider growing food instead of grass.	
use organic gardening water less and let grass go dormant manage grass areas with soil restoration (aerating composting) instead of fertilizing.	
More sustainable landscaping and hardscapes	
use native species in their gardening and control invasive species leave natural forests in their backyards. Vote wisely.	
Be more agreasive at removing invasive species from their property. Plant more natives. Participate in community cleanup/ renewal efforts.	
take care of their land such as trim or thin trees instead of remove them not dump yard debris in creek beds or in ravines remove ivy and other invasive species from their yards.	
be aware of and use native plants in landscaping. encourage neighborhood associations and neighbors to do the same.	

landscape with native plants and low-water scapes	
maintain their property by removal of invasive plants	
keep and create gardens and habitat for birds and other desirable wildlife. Use native plants and watch over watering	
Install rain gardens plant appropriate native species remove non-native invasive species	
landscape responsibly limit impact on natural resources	
landscape w/ native plants or plants that require little water not use chemicals water early or at night do not over water	
Be Educated	
tend their own land with helpful information from the city	
Receive such suggestions by newspaper articles city newsletters etc. but not be dictated to by city government.	
attend programs to find ways to plant and manage their land and home: efficient plants that encourage native species to thrive recycle using foothills recycle center talk to neighbors and share trip to the rebuilding center or metro recycling.	
attend education seminars and make informed decisions about their own property.	
Learn about programs like the Backyard Habitat Program reduce use of pesticides and reduce noise pollution from the use of blowers.	
Take the time to learn. Become involved. Volunteer.	
as noted above - and be very aware of how your personal decisions wrt your property can impact the greater LO area.	
Utilize any city provided classes or workshops designed to help residents be good stewards of the environment on their private property.	
Work with the Friends of Tryon on setting realistic goals to reestablish natural areas on their property. The Friends of Tryon offers straight forward program that teaches residents how to balance the use of their property with the need for natural areas. A big bonus of the program is that it does not create undue financial hardship.	
Understand that they are stewards of their property and not exploiters. Preservation of assets for the future.	
plant native & low-water usage plants; reduce wasted water (over spraying leaky faucets running tap water); participate in educational programs and voluntary efforts (i.e. ivy pulls)	
be educated on value environmentally and economically to preserving natural habitat on their property.	
qualify for backyard habitat certification. treat all surface water on site	
be educated about being a good steward (reduced use of fertilizers and pesticides reduced watering minimize impervious surfaces etc).	
Attend workshops have articles or supplements in Hello LO at Farmers market on what to do to protect environment.	
Use Property as they See Fit	
be encouraged and informed not required. Plant what they want. Be awarded rather than penalized for lower water use	
Maintain their own property as they see fit.	
continue to care for their own property in the responsible way they always have	
can do what they want it is their property.	
do what they need to to improve their property.	
Use their best judgement to take care of their property	

Maintain and enjoy their property without city intervention.
Take care of their own property
maintain their property
Be allowed full enjoyment of their property and plant whatever they wish to plant without city involvement
do what they are doing to maintain their property.
Be Involved/Informed
Be involved in their neighborhood associations and collaborate with City on improvements they make on their own properties as well as their neighborhood public spaces with the funds available through property taxes.
Participate in ivy-pulling or other events.
Ask for help from the city or neighborhood Assn's.
Be informed
attend classes and workshops use native plants
Learn more try and make changes on their property that positively impact the environment
Learn more about native species that would naturally thrive in our climate and would need a lot less water/chemicals
Seek direction from the city on what would be helpful to our community
Get Involved..... !!!
Be a Good Steward of their Property
continue their excellent stewardship and continue to set the example the city should follow on public lands.
Be good stewards of their own property.
and generally are good stewards of their own land
Request a consultation on how to be a better steward. Can attend meetings where experts can inform and teach better methods. Can take advantage of succinct and informative materials provided by the city.
be responsible.
Trees
Call the city if they want to cut down a tree.
Remove trees that cause excess moss on their property and neighbors' properties.
plant trees
Maintain tree canopy; let sensitive lands remain sensitive lands
Other
Stop driving so much take a walk or ride a bike
Drive less consume less consume local save energy install solar energy drive electric vehicles
voluntarily undertake to help achieve city goals
Pay a fair property tax.
slow down and drive safer. remove unwanted yard waste through community programs.
Be good citizens.
Try to have a net positive effect in the coming years
learn to live within our means.
Stop using phosphates. Stop washing cars with bad soap.
Reduce amount of paved area in favor of permeable surfaces
low water use toilets & showers

Get rid of politicians that have an obvious conflict of interest and support developments that are not in character with our city.

Elect governments who listen to their concerns.

Encourage the city to take care of their own land or public spaces. Encourage the residents to do the same with their land.

follow the city codes and respect neighbors' good quality living requirements (decreasing noises air polutions and parking spaces on the streets) from doing business at home. Neighbors is tolerant of trucks(UPS FEDex and etc.) coming daily 4-5 times or more that causes our neighborhoods' frustrations.

Be careful about fertilizers chosen near watersheds. Eliminate invasive species.

Mind their own business and not try to make people do the bidding of people who have not paid for the property nor pay taxes on the property.

reduce

be encouraged to take any and all of the actions listed above

live lightly and mindfully

the city enacted the sensitive lands ordinance. so by 2035 there will just be more regulation and restrictions put on private property.

not water lawns as often and wash cars in car washes

adhere to current regulations

All of the above sound very reasonable.

control invasive spec

I think it is well put in the statement above. I would think some low cost native plant sales would help residents.

Increase recycling efforts. I live in an apartment complex and while they have a recycling center I do not feel Lake Oswego residents see recycling as a worthwhile effort.

I like the ideas listed above.

Developers can...(Long Text)

Use Low Impact Development Practices

Provide easy to maintain landscapes

Voluntarily agree to use Low Impact Development (LID) construction practices. Avoid speculative developments on lands that are marginal such as ravines with very little buildable area.

Install energy efficient appliances lighting solar panels grey water systems led lighting get LEED certification. They can be rewarded for minimizing building waste and re-using materials.

avoid cutting trees; use ecofriendly products and building materials; add outdoor green space

plant native species and control invasive species

same

Build in rain collection systems for watering

Provide a landscaping plan to the city for approval

Use practical suggestions in landscaping new developments or in updating existing developments.

Share their plans and ideas for development and look for ways to reduce waste recycle products and incorporate green building practices into their new developments.

Cut fewer trees
LESSEN NEGATIVE IMPACT BY MINIMIZING RUN-OFF AND APPLYING BEST PRACTICES
permeable pavements and solar energy where it makes sense. Do not allow contractors/developers to remove more trees than a resident. Good designers can build around the existing landscape. Plant appropriate species for the site. Use native perennials and trees. Height of trees should be limited for solar.
Stop making new footprints. Improve the areas that are already developed. There really is no more natural land to spare. Lets leave what remains because this city is dense enough. Developers can take their construction to another city that is in need of more buildings and houses.
Be green and preserve resources
We have lost trees because developers clear land (infill) and the tree zone around the trees is too small. The root system is destroyed and down goes another tree. Developers need to take responsibility for preserving the trees that exist.
Provide proper drainage and adapt designs to the local area - not clearcut.
Employ responsible bulding techniques including permeable driveways.
work around large (ie. 40' tall) trees as much as possible and use pervious paving as much as possible.
Build in a manner that is respectful of the environment
Plan for green space in developments use building practices that support resource conservation
Plant native species and honor riparian areas by developing them and leaving them as open spaces in natural habitat. They can also educate buyers on why they designed their properties to be natural habitats.
Make extensive use of green roofing/green walling green design and aesthetic design. This extends to landscaping in the form of native species and low upkeep plantlife (not water-needy grass lawns). Facilities should make efficient use of space to avoid sprawl.
Go green! In every way possible.
Developers can plan environment preservation during planning with city and subdivision layout before making any alterations to the ground. Therefore do the planning first before developing roads and lots.
maximize use of low impact development practices
Plant native species of plants honeo natural streams and remove as few trees as possible. Trees can be re-grown so riparian ways should take priority over tree removal.
Green building practices. Require them to deconstruct homes instead of bulldozing. Recycle onsite waste. Use sustainable products. Promote energy efficient practices.
use green building techniques.
Create walkable communities more density use existing land rather than new sprawl
landscape with native plants use minimal amounts of organic fertilizer install at least 50% of parking area with permeable pavements
incorporate more green practices and tools in their developments (ie solar energy green roofs rain capture systems etc)
low impact practices would be great. Builders/ homeowners should be required to recycle as much as possible from old home/ building (no tear downs w/ a dumpster only) use the rebuilding center or ?
Make walking and bike friendly access parking and yes showers in work places
use eco friendly pr

make conservation of resources and use of solar energy design priorities.	
Build GREEN structures. All houses to be LEED certified.	
plant trees	
Minimize impermeable surfaces during development establish rain gardens in larger developments	
build green protect trees during construction	
as the above statement says can use low impact developenemt pratices	
use sustainable materials	
1. Build homes/buildings for the future i.e. energy and water efficiency 2. siting structures for max. natural lighting	
Learn about new innovative ways to improve water quality. And put these new ideas and practices in place.	
Develop homes/apts/etc. that at least are LEED Platinum but ideally move toward zero impact regarding energy water etc. Also deconstruct older buildings instead of demolishing them	
enlist green building options; reduce hardscape (i.e. asphalt parking lots etc); contribute to LO natural resource funding; protect existing trees and require substantial plantings; mandate compost areas	
Go to an annual forum to learn about and share the most effective ways to build with a good environment in mind. Be fully informed of regulations that are clear and concise and readily available. Meet one-on-one with a specialist if they have concerns or problems.	
be responsible.	
Plant trees and build 'green' homes and business spaces.	
Build in already developed/developing areas (not green space); build towards LEED certification.	
Reduce hard surface area that create major run off events.	
CONTINUE TO BUILD AROUND TREES	
...choose to use as high a percentage of salvaged materials as possible (from places such as the Rebuilding Center)...can choose to build with LEED certifications (or alternatively with Earth Advantage Institute certifications)...can choose to build housing/buildings in proper alignment so that sunlight and wind patters are used most efficiently (solar can be used for water heaters or on roofs for energy wind can be used as a natural air conditioning system if buildings are designed properly)...	
use more sustainable materials	
Make improvements on lands that they affect to generate an overall positive effect.	
Use green building practices.	
Build houses that are not so wasteful smaller and more compact. Ulse building materials that are safer and more environmentally correct.	
-Concentrate on using low cost designs that make new developments energy efficient/low impact. Improvements that cost a little bit extra now but have huge payoffs 5 10 20 years down the line.	
Build smaller. Build with permeable surfaces in landscaping. Look to the future by supporting smart energy and water saving technologies to begin with. Noone wants to retrofit. Not cost-effective in the mid-term.	
Retain as many trees as possible.	

Be required to provide protection for habitat in areas developing. Pay a fee to buy other land to replace any lost through development. required to replant removed trees with like species as part of finish landscaping. Required to plant like naturescapes to what was previously found with finish landscaping.

Landscape with native plants use paver stones instead of asphalt

plan runoff collections systems that keep rivers/streams clean not pack developments too tightly

implement green building. use permeable pavement. plan for open space preservation. respect wetlands

limit footprint on smaller lots. This would reduce tree loss and ease runoff problems

Build thoughtfully mindful of the impact new developments can have on liveability issues.

use best practices to avoid minimize and mitigate resource disturbances. build to celebrate and feature resources

Minimize all impacts on developments...tree removal tree protection; keep or increase landscaping requirements; plant native species

Better landscaping. Required to include greenbelts/open space with development.

Don't remove trees unnecessarily and consider greener building practices (with City incentives?)

Use green roofing and green outside walling. Design aesthetically pleasing and green-designed buildings. Derive some or all of their energy from renewable sources. Not landscape with grass lawns or other high-| maintenance ground cover (use native species instead). Use landscape wisely (no huge houses with teeny yards around them).

try and build around existing large trees reducing the number removed. encourage builders to build more environmentally friendly homes.

install pervious paving in parking lots driveways sidewalks minimize tree loss for development

use sustainable building practices. be aware of the need for maintaining LO's natural beauty and be mindful of this in planning developments. great job was done in re-developing the lake grove zupans center.

Green and energy efficient building practices. Remodel and reuse as versus building new.

Conserve natural resources (streams wetlands and trees) in open space use LID methods

be kept from overbuilding areas providing green buildings and keep from putting in 'strip malls' along Kruse Way.

use LIDA...follow natural resource regulations

take care not to plow down all mature trees when building but to save what they can

be aware of limited and precious resources. use existing landscape to keep new development in line with natural landscape

Follow Regulations

stay out of public policy and abide by the city regulations

Adhere to city policy on development restrictions

Adhere to existing regulations

Follow very strict rules.

Use native plants and water containment practices by city code.

obey local laws

Follow the city rules for development.

Submit their plan when applying for a permit

Work with the city in adhering to the guidelines.	
be FORCED through regulation and mandates to take all actions listed above.	
Reuse/Deconstruct	
utilize deconstruction vs tear down when old homes are replaced with new	
Remodel existing dwellings. Limit teardowns. Recycle building materials.	
reuse	
deconstruct not demolish use virtually no impervious surface	
Other	
Be treated fairly- no more favoritism	
Developers are over regulated as is and no new regulations are needed	
can follow codes	
need to follow some sort of guide lines.	
Also attend education seminars. They will act if there are incentives to make changes.	
build actually needed projects such as sustainable affordable housing.	
replant investigate/maintain commonalities of the area use cutting edge technology when affordable -	
Extend knowledge and information about neighborhood projects to the citizens they impact. Invite citizens to engage in discussion and allow for input as planning takes place. Print and deliver to residents current affairs about their neighborhood and how future plans will impact their environment.	
Require an ongoing landscape maintenance service for the developed land that includes monthly work including removal of invasive vegetation including weeds soil amendments for initially planted landscape planting native trees and plants regularly watering plants until established	
landscaping	
Stay away!	
be familiar with development code as it applies to respect for the environment. Developers can see the site as a potential value in addition to it as a job site.	
develop with respect for the limits of growth.	
slow down utilize positive aspects of properties remodel rather than clear cut	
Stop only thinking about themselves and their profit. Develop and encourage green practices build smaller houses	
Stop 'influencing' AKA 'paying off' politicians to get special treatment for their foothills development	
Quit splitting lots.	
I don't care what the City does to the developers. I don't think that people like huge structures on small lots.	
Fund preservation and restoration of undeveloped 'natural' areas and parks (mitigate development).	
As you described above	
build on the outskirts of LO and stop building the huge houses on the small lots.	
I have a low opinion of contractors. if a tree or shrub gets in their way they destroy it rather than move it	
Do what's right...It's not all about the 'almighty dollar'.	113

Community groups/neighborhood associations can...(Long Text)

Community Clean-Up/ Remove Ivy

Remove Ivy from areas as a community effort

Sponsor events like ivy pulls watershed tours healthy ecosystem education events etc.

work to help maintain public land

volunteer with city to clear the ivy off public trees

work on common area problems - invasive species etc

Help clean up invasive species on public lands

Volunteer to do ivy pulls and clean up and restoration projects. They can also raise awareness and provide information to property owners

coordinate clean up days volunteer in tryon park etc

remove ivy.

remove invasive species

Set up block parties to help in removal of invasive plants

Focus on restoration activities. Planting workshops removing invasive species (ivy pull etc.)

volunteer time for clean up efforts

sponsor ivy pulls and other natural area opportunities (i.e. tree walks); provide education on healthy pruning gardening production pest control (including deer); coordinate outdoor social opportunities where we serve together

get 'their hands dirty' by helping restore and protect the urban forest. This requires some knowledge and familiarity with what is integral to a functioning wetland and what is not.

work together to eliminate invasive plants

help with clean up projects and removal of invasive species

work to preserve common areas in their respective communities and neighborhoods

Help neighbors remove invasive plants do a project to help the environment. Pick a project to help the environment

Support and clean their neighborhood parks. Encourage neighbors to use organic practices. Organize invasive plant eradication parties!

Spark volunteer activities to supplement City maintenance of parks.

Ivy pulls

work to get rid of ivy and other invasive species. protect runoff from pesticides and herbicides.

Volunteer trash clean up.

Ivy pulls.

clean up stream corridors within their neighborhoods and trim ivy on public areas within the neighborhood

can voluntarily do local park maintenance

undertake restoration projects

adopt a stream or riparian area like they adopt streets

Educate/Inform/Work Together

inform and assist others in their neighborhoods

Work together/get to know each other

educate; offer incentives and community projects

Same as residents. They can also hold community events that invite everyone to come work together towards enhancing and preserving all our natural areas. Help the city educate and encourage the public in the importance of caring for our natural resource
Share information and work to maintain natural spaces in their areas. Share suggestions on how to minimize their impact on the environment.
EDUCATION SUPPORT PROVIDE RESOURCES
self-funded community groups can provide classes and education on options residents and the developers can do to be better environmental stewards
Educational programs more community gardens school gardens involving kids in the planning process and construction process
follow the lead of residents as these groups are simply just another form of neighbor.
Work together rather than engaging in vitriolic offensive bantering in the newspaper and elsewhere in the community
Hold discussions and educate residents in their newsletters.
work to make Lake Oswego accessible to all groups without hurting the existing residents.
Organize volunteer and other events to educate people on the issues and work together in directed projects such as cleaning up parkland planting trees or growing local food.
Support get involved volunteer promote.
Teach their residents about local programs offered by organizations such as backyard certification and other regional resources.
Sponsor guest speakers at general meetings to describe a true backyard habitat.
help educate members keep environmental systems maintained
Outreach and educational fairs
offer workshops in water-wise gardening; use of organic fertilizers; limit use of pesticides/how to recognize the role of 'good bugs' snakes etc.
Hold information days on native plants invasive plant control tree management courses water management on their property
1. Provide leadership/training
Provide more opportunities to meet together for service projects to improve the environment a'la 'Neighbors Helping Neighbors'. Provide forums and educational meetings to discuss latest and greatest methods of improvement.
BE EDUCATED AS TO PROTECT OUR BASIC RESOURCES...
Create fun events to highlight ways to be more green.
promote good gardening/watering practices in their neighborhoods and encourage carpooling.
Conduct meetings that will offer advice on what measures to take.
educate residents and support developers to achieve these goals.
have work parties hold educational events
educate community on benefit of protecting habitat and natural spaces to quality of life and property values of community.
educate their groups about best practices for restoring and protecting resources. organize resource restoration events
Increase focus on environmental issues; assure that developers minimize impacts; educate neighbors
Provide information and activities like ivy pulls or sustainable gardening talks at neighborhood association meetings

Educate people on issues using sound science. Start workshops dedicated to restoring natural spaces and training people to manage their own property well. Recycling runs for materials that curbside does not handle.
work on education projects and joint invasive species removal projects
share resources and skills to enhance larger areas
inform those associated with them about ways to make meaningful improvements like those listed above.
Workshops and education outreach programs. Retrofit community buildings with green technology.
Participate/volunteer in preservation and restoration projects. DON' T expect city employees to do ALL of the work.
educate. Have articles in the paper that people can read.
learn to get along. I think these neighborhood associations are a bad thing as the areas they encompass don't necessarily have common ground and everyone feels their area is neglected.
Other
Have collective bins for non-curbside recyclables and take turns taking it to a recycler like Far West.
Cooperate with such practices as mentioned as they embark on new projects. We don't need any more restrictive regulations fees increased utility charges or taxes.
Gather issues from their meetings and present them to the city if they are important. I have been to many such meetings and most are welcomed with a yawn but not one has there been a complaint about the environment. So it must be OK
Demand more sidewalks
Again give incentives to make changes and people will act.
Not be required to police their own neighbors
Creat watchdog groups to insure that the natural resources are not abused or wasted.
Encourage no pesticides. Neighborhood associations are the worst. They shouldn't dictate how home owners can care for their yard.
Love the rain garden idea - and they are beautiful!
Not do much. My experience is that LO does not have much community group or neighborhood group involvement in lasting or meaningful projects. Everyone is doing their own thing. Therefore do not expect much from neighborhood associations.
use neighborhood resident communal effort to install lid structures
Build community gardens. Create tool share programs to both reduce footprint and support community. Promote alternative transportation. Promote tree planting and backyard habitat.
Be funded regularly so they can continue to make an impact on their own neighborhoods in a meaningful way. Be attended by City authorities who are involved in the future planning of the area to impart information and offer opportunity for response and suggestions.
They are good with assisting staff in pulling English Ivy Himalyan Blackberries Garlic Mustard Japanese Knotweed & other invasive plants but the City need to hire a full time volunteer coordinator to help mobilize this potential group. Provide incentives for NA & Community groups to even want to assist in this hard labor.
remove ugly and unwanted sculptures
create codes that require landscaping parks with native plants removing invasives using minimal amounts of organic fertilizer
Receive grants to fund improvements.

advocate for their POV	
plant trees	
Develop community gardens neighborhood solar PV systems	
be responsible.	
mind their own business	
Police themselves.	
Work on getting pathways to schools (as Rosewood has done) and encourage parents to have their children walk not drive them.	
...choose to have neighborhood collections of non-curbside recyclables and have one large load taken monthly down to Far West (the same can be done with hazardous materials and taken to the OC transfer station)....can choose to collectively to persuade neighbors to not use pesticides on their lawns/plants etc....can encourage one another to leave the car at home more often	
Mind their own business.	
Continue to stay up on latest techniques/data/technology that allows us as a community make informed choices	
Vote for politicians that listen to the public input and vote accordingly	
Increase their participation in building and maintaining rain gardens and limiting runoff from streets to the lake.	
Take care of their neighborhoods themselves.	
overlook monitor and try to solve what are the neighbors needs suggestions and frustrations about issues like air pollution and noises and parking on the street instead of just planting a few flowers in front of gates.	
Mind their own business and not tell others what they can and can not do on their own property.	
Interact with landscapers to make sure they plant native plants protect from soil erosion. Provide workshops pamphlets with information.	
recycle	
Support residents developers and the city in conserving natural resources.	
promote everything that protects the environment	
Review their regulations/recommendations regarding solar panels/ permeable paving materials/ etc.	
encourage any and all of the actions listed above.	
Get neighbors excited about the environment	
abide by laws set by city and support recycling watershed and our neighbors	
grow community gardens form commuter plans (carpool bike group options) Share knowledge of natural landscape and existing cityscape	
by 2035 the city will be dictating what these organizations can and can not do.	130
more gardens!!!	
The City can...(Long Text)	
Educate	
Do more to educate residents about the resources available to them. They can negotiate with Allied to collect more items for recycling.	
educate about all natural resource issues and promote stewardship	
publicize the classes/educational resources made available by the self-funded community groups	

Educate the citizens and let them make decisions that will meet the needs of their property. Use incentives. Never Bully. That will get you nowhere.	
Constantly engage the community in conversations about the issues limit public disagreements work toward goals together.	
encourage appropriate behaviors	
Provide advice best practices and code enforcement	
offer workshops to inform residents what plants are available how to plant and the value they add to the community.	
Communicate and fund	
Educate devote resources quit bowing down to the vocal minority.	
EDUCATE CITIZENS ABOUT CUTTING IVY...WORK PARITES ETC	
educate people and enact ordinances that protect natural areas and educational programs for citizens	
Educate through media.	
educate when possible enforce when necessary	
Encourage EDUCATION... Provide positive influences... Clean-up events... Planting events...	
encourage neighborhood associations to do these things	
1. Educate at every opportunity 2. 'walk-the-talk 3. tackle invasive trees and plants on public properties 3. Provide offstreet pathways to schools neighborhoods shopping and so on.	
Assist with education and outreach and provide guidance and possible materials for volunteer groups to complete projects.	
be friendly when explaining codes restrictions etc. to residents; be sensitive to land owner's concerns; offer personalized services to land owners for to encourage best practices on their land; offer the items suggested under the 'community groups' box...	
Be less intrusive and more educational in their approach! People push back when there is a fear factor associated with being unfairly punished rather than a reasonable dialogue.	
Help feed the latest information to residents/developers/community groups so that they can make cost effective smart choices.	
Hold regular workshops run by volunteers regarding stream easement stewardships organic yard care etc. Create pamphlets full of information regarding stream-easement do's and don'ts invasive plant eradication in much more depth. (what time of year what plants look like at different times of year where to go for help to restore natural areas...like where to find free understory plants...ie vine maple sword ferns etc.)	
provide education and have resources available to builders and homeowners who would like to restore wetland improve streams reduce invasive species and / or reduce their environmental footprint.	
Listen to its people and stop trying to do by mandate what should be done through education and incentives. Acknowledge the rights of people who purchased property to be compensated when regulation diminish the value of that property.	
City Policies	
Focus on comprehensive plans to maintain natural spaces as they look to redefine and repurpose existing spaces. Use space and resources efficiently and have a multiuse plan for each new development. Share suggestions on how existing homeowners can improve their impact on the environment. Create a web site to share ideas and suggestions.	

Continue to do a great job on the comprehensive plan update. Provide leadership in meeting Goal 5 and Metro mandates for environmental stewardship. This leadership includes elected officials standing up to those who would try to convince us on a self-serving basis with no factual support that there is no need for environmental regulations. Let them try living in a country that has none.
regulate; establish policies and ordinances; fine; offer incentives; showcase exemplary residents developers communities; set example with city properties
build more sidewalks NOT using asphalt but built as REAL sidewalks
ENFORCE CURRENT RULES MODIFY CURRENT RULES BUT NOT CREATE NEW DRACONIAN MEASURES
Implement laws codes and enforce them for the benefit of all of the people and for future generations.
Plan and zone a livable city based around pedestrians and public transportation not wider roads and SUVs. The city can also encourage private commercial owners to beautify their building areas.
Update the tree code to be user friendly not make people afraid to take a tree down. Base the tree code on canopy coverage not tree stems. Work with property owners to help them design water swales on their property
Delete any policy in the comp plan that references what property owners may or may not do with their own property
Continue to utilize good planning and resident input; employ these same methods (green building/modifications) to city-owned structures. And use 'gray' or recycled water to feed city lawns.
Develop plans to more adequately deal with surface run off and storm drainage systems. Educate the public concerning what they can do to help provide clean water to our natural stream corridors. Work with land owners to develop and maintain sediment ponds to decrease silt entering streams
Encourage the actions already mentioned. Be sure their activities follow best practices in environmental areas. They have done well in some areas (low-flush toilets bags for dog waste along paths are some I can think of now).
establish these goals and provide citizens the means to inform and organize ourselves to achieve them.
regulate new development. create simpler designs for open/public spaces in order to simplify maintenance and retain more of a natural character and purpose.
maintain existing regulations to protect natural resources and expand programs to education and incentive protection
Maintain strong sensitive lands regulations; Pass a stronger tree cutting code; Assure (enforce) mitigation of environmental impacts
fight to protect and preserve our beautiful city and natural resources
legislate to protect natural areas and increase them. implement curbside composting. work to restore and preserve our parks and natural areas
Limit permits on fir(evergreen) tree cutting. The city needs to hire an independent arborist to make sure that a home owner or builder's arborist is not making up tree health reports so they may achieve the removal of trees the property owner is seeking. This is happening!
provide incentive programs to those who use methods that maintain our natural resources and improve upon them.

Provide incentives education and outreach update codes and policies to encourage these practices.

Provide leadership direction and coordination. Also provide back-up support but only as needed.

Provide appropriate incentives for all these activities

Need more restricted home business regulations for our noisy and air polluted neighborhoods via UPS and Fedex and other transportations.

revise codes and tax credits to encourage solar roof panels on structures. Rely on solar panels for park lighting

Low Impact Development Practices

Make businesses use less water in landscaping. Look at the businesses on Kruse way. Nice green grass!!! Wasteful.

Use mercury free light bulbs in all buildings. Don't waste tax dollars by buying 'green' energy. If 'green' energy really worked and was economically feasible private investments would drive it. Its bad economics when my tax dollars have to subsidize the generation of it and then my tax dollars are used to buy it. Crazy use of money on both ends. It's not the city's roll to artificially create a market or use the public's funds to artificially create a demand for product.

The City can start by planting more efficiently. The new park in downtown lake Oswego spent a great deal of money put in no native plants and rather water dependent ones. No care was taken that this was a lake side garden where invasive seeds might travel onto the lake or to supply food for wildlife. The city should start by setting a better example. It was a perfect place for a wildlife plaque and for streamside restoration. With pretty flowers in planters

Encourage no pesticide use. More regulations on developers!

protect natural areas

Provide policy and rules provide a vision use financial resources to create open space and natural protections

incentivize lid through codes reduce and eventually eliminate the use of pesticides and herbicides

Adopt programs like Grow Smart Grow Safe program run by Metro in King County WA. Regular articles in the LO Review Hello LO and on the city website could teach residents about these important issues.

encourage green building techniques and remove ivy.

Be an example in city practices by moving toward buildings that meet Living Building Challenge pesticide free parts etc.

Change zoning to require green building practices and limit size of houses. BUILD BIKE AND WALKING PATHS both within the city and linking to Portland. Build community gardens throughout the City so people don't have to drive to Luscher. Link corridors for wildlife and people. Cease the use of pesticides. Make removal of invasive species without pesticides a top priority AND enact a habitat restoration plan to enhance natural areas. Use more pervious pavements. Any new building should be required to use green building techniques.

Provide the soil amendments including garden soil compost mulch gravel rocks boulders etc. Regularly maintain landscaped medians. Maintain means pruning pulling thinning watering feeding etc.

focus on building bioswales along major roads to help eliminate storm runoff....can choose to mandate that organic pest/weed controls be used on City-owned property instead of allowing the use of chemical pesticides and weed killers (this is very important).....can choose to only allow new developments that meet or exceed LEED gold standards (especially new city buildings)....can choose to build a bike path along the existing train tracks so that more LO residents have a reason to commute by bike to Portland

Utilize more green energy practices

Landscape with native plants

Offer incentives for 'green' activities and pass regulations when possible

Prevent urban sprawl and road sprawl by building the city around pedestrians not SUVs. Encourage private owners to beautify their paved-over land in the Boones Ferry/Bridgeport Village/Kruse Way area. A lightrail for commuters to Portland would reduce the need of both park-n-ride lots and wider roads.

require LIDA for all projects that add impervious surfaces...invest more in restoration...enforce codes more strickly (e.g. tree code is not currently be enforced as it should)...connect people to Oswego Lake to built support for its stewardship

Be Less Regulatory

stay out of the way

Stop their non- scientific approach and draconian regulations

Leave property owners alone.

stop over regulating it's citizens

Stop meddling in private property affairs. It is one of the major sources of division among the people Fire at least 1/2 of the city staff and usde the money to patch the roads

Get reasonable about the amount of regulation and the scope of extreme regulations that you try to impose on the citizenry.

Relax regulations on tree removal. Such as: double the diameter of tree trunks that can be cut down without permit.

STay out of citizens business and lives so that we can be self morivated to be good stewards of Lake Oswego.The more the government gets involved the more we feel negatively toward our little city. The more we rebel against stewardship mandates which will only serve to negatively affect the environment.

Stop invading our backyards and take better care of our public land. Our public tree groves are shameful with the amount of ivy taking over. The City can practice what it preaches and be an example rather than being an enforcer.

there is too much city government in our lives. and it will no doubt get worse by 2035.

Allow citizens more liberty

Back off on rules and regulations. My goodness it is difficult to be treated like a child. We were both raised on productive farms and we do know how to take care of our property.

deregulate and use logic

Not take away property rights when citizens are mindful that they are not damaging someone else's property. ie grow all the wild blackberries one wants as long as they stay within ones own property lines.

Mind their own business. Get out of the business of regulating other people's property. Get rid of sensitive lands or tree grove regulations on private property and leave the citizens to take care of their own backyards as they wish. IF the city wants to regulate property then they can buy it.

Leave private properties off the sustainable lands regulation. Instead focus on public lands	
Get out of the way and let people do there own landscaping.	
remove restrictions placed on private property owners.	
Maintain Public Property	
Start taking care of all the property it owns and is a steward for. They need to save the trees that are being killed by Ivy that is growing up the trunks. The visual impact will be enhanced as well. Until we get the land we own under control we should not acquire more.	
start by taking care of the land the city owns - leading by example - and back away from the Sensitive Land patronizing regulations and respect the rights and responsibilities of private citizens	
get up to speed with the citizens by getting rid of invasive species on public lands.	
must maintain parks at a usable level; budget for continued year after year of invasives removal native plantings drought resistant plants to reduce water usage. Eliminate lawns and use low growing ground covers that are drought resistant. Permeable pavements to replace impermeables when they need to be replaced and / or repaired. Remodels for all structures public or private must use deconstruction methods. It was disgusting how Our Lady of the Lake destroyed re-usable wood hardware etc.	
maintain existing parks and natural areas. organize volunteers to remove invasive species.	
Help clean up invasive species on public lands. Help guide future development that enhances the surrounding environment and increases property values.	
manage the resources it has.	
Get rid of ivy.	
remove invasive species from natural parks. ----- Use the buildings they already own thus not degrade the environment with more construction and traffic conjestion. For ex: use the West End building lower level for the new library (a central location to cut down on travel/auto emissions) and upgrade the rest of the building for city offices. Then sell the downtown property and get it on the tax rolls in order to have money for environmental and public safety concerns.	
Fiscal Concerns	
Take 100% responsibility for the labor and expenses needed to preserve the environment of all city owned property and parks.	
spend funds wisely	
stop spending money on groups like this to come up with so many plans. Social engineering should not behapping in the first pla	
please restore as much as possible within a reasonable budget - we can't tax the population out of their homes!	
stop spending everyone's money.	
quite trying to come up with new projects. Based on all the consultants hired we could do away with a bunch of employees who evidently aren't doing their jobs.	
Other	

Stop building!!!! There is so much in this city that needs improving - roads paths parks existing public buildings. Fix what we already have and make it better and stop building new things. Make the WEB work better. That place should be a buzzing hub of activity. That area is already developed - add a pool and skate park. Improve bike paths so that kids can bike for transportation instead of relying on parents' cars. And clear away invasive plants from public areas.

recognize the highly educated citizens of lake oswego have always been good stewards of the environment. The tree canopy increased significantly before the local government become too involved in this.

Adopt programs like King County Washington's Grow Smart Grow Safe consumer guide. The city can educate the public through regular print and media articles.

actually listen to its citizens and do what we want not what they and their developer buddies think is best.

Stay collaborative with the citizens by encouraging interaction and involvement as planning processes proceed.

install red light cameras

Have drop-off locations for chemicals that folks want to dispose of (so it isn't poured into storm drains etc.)

Organize ivy-pulling and other events. Advertise to educate people. Provide funding to neighborhoods for improvements. Clean streets and catch basins more often and add sumps to more catch basins. Add detention ponds to limit erosion and flashiness in streams. Add Water Quality catch basins from Stormwater Management or other supplier. Advertise the pump that can be used for organized car washes.

stop being so political with regard to sensitive lands

restore a stream remove non- native raccoons let the Lake Corp take care of the lake.

Shield the residents of the city from undue outside influences.

be resonable!!!

establish a volunteer network for people who wish to enhance their own properties through stewardship and organize other volunteers to work in the public spaces on projects that increase the habitat potential.

focus on large infrastructure projects on the environment

Give grants to citizens who cannot afford to make changes in their yard and home. Give incentives to builders for using low impact development practices

Include residents in legislation that affects their neighborhoods.

Keep all of this a priority for all future development permits for individuals and developers. Buy additional green spaces to be preserved for future generations so the history of this area can be held as intact as possible.

Leave the Hunt Club alone. The Hunt Club is the only urban horse facility of its size in the Metro area. We don't need more soccer fields.

Make maintaining existing properties a priority to include erosion control and invasive species control.

Not build a tennis center on rural land.

Provide funds to neighborhoods and homeowners to encourage stream maintenance and removal of invasive species.

Provide resources to encourage planting with native plants - partner with growers provide some funding and events.

Recognize those who are doing a good job.

reduce reuse and recycle

Regulate properly fairly compassionately; provide incentive to conserve and improve water quality require and provide incentives for using LID methods

require everything in the preceding three boxes limit by law huge new houses

Reward practices that help the environment such as reducing or increasing the permit costs to developers/residents who choose better versus poorer practices. Also encourage the Neighborhood Associations to include environmentally positive pieces to their yearly plans.

showcase the numbers/metrics that show correlations between tree canopy & natural buffering zones and property values in other residential areas around the nation. They can also create stronger regulation to create the conditions in which the natural beauty of our area is factored in to all our developments--- whether it be condo/multiple-housing or single dwelling properties. Buffering almost more than 'trees' makes a huge difference in making an area maintain the northwest 'look' and 'feel.'

Support citizens trying to make a difference and make rules that people can support and abide by. Be careful to not make rules so invasive and impractical that they won't be supported or abided by.

support the community