

Trillium Creek Restoration & Ivy Abatement Task Force

May 15 progress report and information update

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Trillium Creek green space encompasses 16.62 acres in Hidden Springs Neighborhood boundary from Santa Anita to 43, crossing Pimlico near Summit. Ivy is encroaching and spreading, threatening the forest over the long run, including the eponymous trillium that grows there.

- Area is too steep and extensive for volunteer effectiveness
 - Lacks the visibility of MS Young Park, but still popular hiking trail
- Needs eradication
- At Palomino Park entrance ground is 90% covered, trees 30%
- Holly and blackberry are also invasive in places

Rosario Restoration specializes in this, getting cost estimate

- Sprays in Fall 3 years in a row, expert at low impact safe spraying
- Will need volunteer effort next to creek to avoid water contamination
- Also volunteer efforts going forward to prevent regrowth
- Metro can give grant

Mike Perkins, Ron Jones, Ken Warners (adopt a park) are contacts at City Hall for Parks & Green Space

- Task force should meet with them once we have materials together for help with proposal, possible other help from City

Needs:

- Petition to be signed by property owners adjacent to green spaces
 - a. Raise City awareness to public concern
 - b. Need volunteers to circulate in small areas
- Photos from different areas with location marked, of ivy on trees and ground
- Risk assessment of ivy infestation, in probabilities and timelines:
 - a. damage to trees
 - b. fire risk
 - c. slope erosion
- Help with grant proposal

Notes from conversation with Roger Fowler-Thias

Mollala & Pearl **Clackamas Soil & Water Conservation District**—resources (creek needs to be protected)

<https://conservationdistrict.org/>

Oregon City Parks Foundation got \$27,000 grant from Metro, needs matching funds (%) and volunteer hours commitment. Contact: Roger Fowler-Thias 503 686-4340

Possible 501c3 "Friends of Trillium Creek"?

"No Ivy" Portland Parks

Waterford Park in Oregon City

Grant may need to be sponsored through City/or granted body may need to be separate from city ???

City plans for the green space? Like selling it for development...not clear

Interim plan is to ring the trees.