

Community and Environmental Justice Group

Columbia River Crossing formed the Community and Environmental Justice Group (CEJG) to achieve the goal of meaningful public involvement in the project development process.

Representing the community

CEJG members came from neighborhoods in the project area and included representatives of environmental justice communities and at-large members. They represented the diverse interests and perspectives of Vancouver, Portland and Hayden Island neighborhoods potentially affected by the project.

Engaging the community

CEJG met 33 times between 2006 and 2009 and hosted an environmental justice training for community members in 2010. The group helped the project identify issues of community and environmental justice concern. Their ideas helped improve project outreach plans and materials. The group's work included:

- Providing the CRC with feedback on how to improve public involvement efforts and what communities to increase outreach toward.
- Identifying community resources that were analyzed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
- Helping create a guide for the public to better understand the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, in addition to providing comments on the document.

Members (list includes all members who served at any time between 2006 and 2010)

Anne McEnery-Ogle, Shumway Neighborhood Association, Vancouver
Connie Sherrard, Vancouver Housing Authority, Vancouver
Dave Frei, Arnada Neighborhood Association, CRC Task Force
Dave Skagen, Rose Village Neighborhood Association, Vancouver
Diana Avalos, Vancouver Public Schools
Echo Leighton, Celebration Academy, Portland
Ed Garren, Manufactured Homes Association, Hayden Island
Jeri Sundvall-Williams, Environmental Justice Action Group
John Benson, Piedmont Neighborhood Association, Portland
Jonath Colon-Montesi, N/NE Neighborhood Coalition, Portland
Jonnie Hyde, Clark County Public Health
Kris Long, Vancouver resident
Lawrence Russell, East Wilkes Neighborhood Association, Gresham
Marcia Ward, Clark County Resident
Matt Whitney, Bridgeton Neighborhood Association, Portland
Maya Bhat, Multnomah County Health Department
Michelle Tworoger, Jantzen Beach Moorage Association, Hayden Island
Nikki Williams, Boise Neighborhood, Environmental Justice Action Group member,
Insulators and Asbestos Workers Union, Local 36, Portland
Peg Johnson, Jantzen Beach Moorage Inc. Board of Directors, Hayden Island
Ralph Welch, Arnada Neighborhood Association, Vancouver

Steve Kayfes, Kenton Neighborhood Association Board Member, Portland
Yvonne Broders, Community Representative, Vancouver

Previous Meetings

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| • 8/20/2009 6:00-8:00 PM | • 4/19/2007 5:30-8:30 PM |
| • 6/18/2009 6:00-8:30 PM | • 3/15/2007 5:30-8:30 PM |
| • 5/21/2009 6:00-8:30 PM | • 2/15/2007 5:30-8:30 PM |
| • 4/16/2009 6:00-8:00 PM | • 2/1/2007 5:30-8:30 PM |
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| • 9/18/2008 6:00-8:00 PM | • 10/19/2006 6:00-8:00 PM |
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