

June 9, 2023

As secretary of Evergreen Neighborhood, I received a notice from the city for the 2nd Pre-application meeting for the proposed Wastewater Treatment Facility. The meeting will be held by zoom on Thursday, June 22, 6-8pm. Below is a link to the meeting and materials.

<https://www.lakeoswegowastewaterfacility.org/get-involved/>

I wasn't much interested until I took a quick look at the plans, which call for removal of 84 trees. At first I thought over 300 would be removed, but that's not the case. This is a brief description from page 3 of the attached pdf:

* Removal of trees is required to excavate the large volume for the treatment basin building. The project will comply with the City's tree ordinance including mitigation...approximately 313 trees are listed in the preliminary tree preservation and removal plan. Of these, 84 trees are planned to be removed (5 in poor health), and 229 trees will be preserved (11 in poor health and 84 not rated).*

It may be that this removal is necessary, and the mitigation plan is a good one. I don't know, but I thought I would alert you to this plan in case you weren't already aware of it. I could not find the same packet materials I received on the city's site, so I scanned the packet into a pdf file which is attached. Unfortunately, some plan pages are reduced so that it's impossible to read the details, but if you're interested, the city should have larger, readable images available.

I plan to attend the zoom meeting. Questions and comments can be submitted before the meeting. I will ask the city to set up a tour with the person who knows about the tree removal and mitigation plan, so that those of us who are interested can really see and understand what the plans are. Thank you for your interest in tree preservation. Feel free to pass this on to others who might be interested.

Diana Boom, Secretary

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