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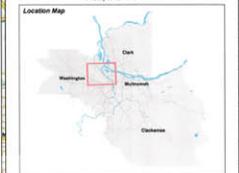
NATURE NEXT DOOR

REGIONAL LAND INFORMATION SYSTEM

2006 Natural Areas Program Forest Park Connections Target Area

- Target Area Study Boundary
- Major Roads
- Local Roads
- Contour Interval: 100 foot
- 1990
- 2006
- Streams
- Major Rivers
- Public Lands

Scale: 0 100 200 Feet



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## **Forest Park Connections Target Area**

### **Goals**

- Acquire key properties to connect Forest Park to other public lands.
- Connect Forest Park to Rock Creek and the Westside Trail to keep important wildlife corridors intact and provide trail connections between the region's largest urban park and Washington County.
- Protect important headwater areas on the eastside of the ridgeline.

### **Objectives**

#### *Tier I Objective*

- Acquire and protect additional lands along the corridor at the north end of the park to link Forest Park with other publicly owned parcels northwest of Newberry Road.

#### *Tier II Objectives*

- Secure key locations for trailheads in areas of the park that lack suitable access.
- Acquire important habitat links and connections with Rock Creek headwater streams on the west side of the ridgeline.
- Using conservation easements as the primary tool, acquire important headwater areas within the Balch, Saltzman, Doane, and Miller Creek watersheds, on the east side of the ridgeline.

#### *Partnership Objectives*

- Pursue partnership opportunities with the City of Portland Parks and Bureau of Environmental Services, Washington and Multnomah Counties, and Clean Water Services to coordinate protection efforts and to leverage regional bond dollars.
- Pursue partnership opportunities with Friends of Forest Park, Trust for Public Land, The Three Rivers Land Conservancy, and other local land trusts to leverage regional bond dollars targeted to the Forest Park Connections area.