

Lacamas Lake is a key part of the unique Legacy that is Camas

- In 1883, Henry Pittock established the Lacamas Colony Company and Camas is born.
- The lake was being used for “industrial” purposes.
- Although not knowingly, almost immediately the first damages occurred to the lake.
- The affects of human development over the next 137 years changes the water quality.

The City of Camas

- This lake and this watershed are a key part of our Legacy as a city and for Clark County.
- The city and county need to own the responsibility of the water quality within the lake.



What is the “ask” for this project?

- City needs to own our share of the responsibility for the water quality within Lacamas Lake and create a project to move this effort forward and improve that water quality.
- We have to dedicate resources to the improvement of the water quality.
- We need to be in close partnership with the County.
- We need to assign staff to this project and prioritize their efforts to this project.
- We need to work with citizen groups and other government bodies to help move this effort forward.
- We need regular updates for all of the stakeholders on this project.
- We need to have online sharing of data and details of projects so our partners can track where we are and how we are moving forward.
- We need to add Lacamas watershed water quality improvement into our City of Camas strategic plan. We will need updates during annual retreats.
- We must clearly define short term, medium terms and long term goals of this work plan.

Fit with strategic plan



OUR MISSION

The City of Camas commits to preserving its heritage, sustaining and enhancing a high quality of life for all its citizens and developing the community to meet the challenges of the future.



OUR VISION

HOME TOWN FEEL

Great Place to Raise A Family

Jobs That Support Our Community

Integrated with Outdoors

SAFE

Camas is... Great Schools



OUR DECISION PRINCIPLES

Are we...

- Providing services in line with community needs & priorities?
- Maintaining or building financial sustainability for our City?
- Preserving our integration with the outdoors?
- Creating an inclusive community that feels like a home town?

OUR INTERNAL VALUES

- Service Oriented
- Vision Driven
- Partnering and Collaboration
- Accountability
- Continuous Improvement

CITY OF CAMAS 2018-2020 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Meet **COMMUNITY NEEDS** with optimal use of community resources
2. Build **FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY** for our City
3. Ensure **CORE INFRASTRUCTURE** to meet community needs
4. Proactively **MANAGE GROWTH** in line with our vision & decision principles

2018-2020 KEY OBJECTIVES

- All community needs & chosen priorities funded at defined service levels by 2020
- Improve efficiency: Six (6) process improvements completed annually
- Balanced Budget (with reserve funded AND community needs and high priority wants funded)
- Improve Bond Rating from AA to AAA
- Infrastructure capacity
- Corrective Maintenance/ Preventive Maintenance %
- "Jobs" Ready Land/Residential "Ready" Land
- Green Space per capita
- Infrastructure capacity

2018-2020 KEY INITIATIVES

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define and prioritize service levels, including performance measures 2. Implement Lean city-wide 3. Develop technology roadmap 4. Evaluate service delivery models 5. Develop community engagement and communications strategy | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update all Financial Policies to GFOA best practices 2. Open and transparent program-based budget 3. Update Utility Rates, Impact Fees, SDC's 4. Revenue Strategy (overall size and diversification) 5. Develop Long-Term Financial Plan, Including Capital Programs | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete Condition assessment on all core infrastructure and facilities 2. SR500 corridor strategy with a Lake-Everett Intersection plan 3. Infrastructure and facilities capacity plan 4. Asset Management System specified 5. Water & Sewer Level of Service Analysis | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Protect Backdrop of Lacamas Lake on North Shore 2. Prioritize, fund & implement an updated Parks Recreation Open Space (PROS) plan 3. Complete Grass Valley subarea plan 4. Transportation Capital Facilities Plan and level of service analysis |
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Enhance tools and processes to improve communications: within departments, across departments, and with Council.

Lacamas Watershed Project

City of Camas

Program Management

Funding

Advocacy

Partnerships: County, State, Non-profits

Expertise

Funding

Stewardship

Workstreams

Scientific

Education

Community

The Objective:

- That Lacamas Lake will be the Crown Jewel of recreational lakes in Clark County for generations to come and it will be one of the true success stories in our City's Legacy.
- Camas: This is the City where we live, work and play.

Citizen Watershed Group

Judit Lorincz, Coordinator

A locally organized, non-regulatory watershed stewardship organization established to improve the condition and health of the Lacamas Creek watershed and its lakes and streams.

Potential Projects

- Educate citizens on what they can do to help improve the water quality for Lacamas Lakes and streams.
- Define Best Practices used in other communities.
- Help identify improvements for storm water ponds and outfalls.
- Get our school districts and colleges involved.
- Help identify commercial firms working on these problems throughout the country and the world.
- Help identify other communities that had these similar problems and show us their successes and shortfalls with improvement projects.

Scientific Groups and Agencies

- City of Camas and Clark County Public Works, Water Quality and Health Department staffs and their laboratory facilities.
- Clark County staff members who have performed previous studies on the Lacamas Lake issues.
- Department of Ecology staff members and the history of previous studies they have performed on this watershed.
- Washington State University professors, students and past studies.
- Clark Conservancy District

- Comments and Questions from Council?