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## Umatilla County, Neighboring City, State Agency and Interest Group Coordination

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## Timeline and Summaries Table

The following table presents a timeline of key local government, state agency, and interest group coordination efforts events that took place prior to submission of the consolidated application to the city.

### 1.1 Local Governments

Umatilla County			
Date	Purpose	Participants	Resolution
04/10/25	Meeting and email communication - Coordinate with Umatilla County on transportation planning for the UGB expansion. Discuss the approach to required upgrades at Feedville Road and US 395 (within County jurisdiction)	Umatilla County – Community Development Director, Planning Division Manager;  City of Hermiston – Planning Director; and  City of Hermiston consultants	City suggested a joint approach of creating a transportation analysis for a “Feedville Road Corridor” to address required facility upgrades to be adopted by the City and the County within their respective TSPs. The County was generally happy with this approach.
3/11/2025	Work session and meeting - Present EOA, Priorities, Work in Progress to County staff and Board of Commissioners	Umatilla County - Board of Commissioners, County Counsel, Planning Staff;  City of Hermiston – Community Development Director;  City of Hermiston consultants	Commissioners were supportive of the planning approach. One Commissioner inquired why the full HDC need wasn't addressed. It was explained that the incremental approach was considered safer and likely more efficient, particularly if it helps avoid potential appeals. One item: potential planned trail system along the canal. Bob will send additional

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			information about this. Likely makes sense to plan for the trail north of the canal and reserve some land for this use.
3/15/2024	Meeting and email communication - Discussion about availability and status of background mapping information	Umatilla County Planning Division- Planning Division Manager; and  City of Hermiston consultants	City consultants inquired about the availability of county map resources and data including soil quality, joint management agreement (JMA) areas, irrigation districts, and critical ground water areas. The county advised on the process to request and obtain data.  Discussed outdated mapping of the JMAs between the County and the cities of Hermiston, Stanfield, and Umatilla.
2/26/2024	Kickoff meeting - Discuss the roles and responsibilities of various teams. DLCD staff comment on the next steps and potential challenges the project could face	City of Hermiston- Planning Director, City Attorney;  Umatilla County – Planning Division Manager;  DLCD – Regional Representative, Senior Planner, Farm/Forest Specialist, Community Services Specialist; and  City of Hermiston consultants	DLCD staff encouraged their continued coordination early and often.  For the EOA, particularly, DLCD staff advised the team confer with DLCD Economic Development Specialist.  DLCD staff noted that UGB expansions over 50 acres will be reviewed by the Department and possibly the Commission (Land Conservation and Development Commission – LCDC).
<b>City of Stanfield</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Resolution</b>
2/11/2025	Brief City Manager on the UGB expansion plans and the location of the proposed UGB in relation to the existing Stanfield UGB	City of Stanfield – City Manager;  City of Hermiston - Planning Director	Stanfield understood the proximity of Hermiston infrastructure and agreed that the land would be suited for the City of Hermiston UGB.
6/23/2025	Presentation of South Hermiston Industrial Park (SHIP)	City of Hermiston – Assistant City Manager	City Staff presented plans for future development of the SHIP along the Feedville

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	Plans to relevant utility and government partners	City of Stanfield – Mayor, Finance Director Umatilla Electric Cooperative Cascade Natural Gas Oregon Department of Transportation - Various neighboring businesses	Road corridor, along with the proposed UGB Expansion.
<b>City of Umatilla</b>			
Date	Purpose	Participants	Resolution
2/7/2025	Extended invitation to Umatilla City Manager to be briefed on the Hermiston UGB expansion proposal	City of Hermiston – Assistant City Manager;  City of Umatilla – City Manager	Invitation unanswered. No concerns raised.
6/3/2025	Meeting of West-Umatilla County Mayors/Managers	Cities of Hermiston, Umatilla, Stanfield, and Echo - Mayors/City Managers  Umatilla County - Commissioners	Invited Umatilla to a 6/23/2025 event (listed above under City of Stanfield), as well as general discussion about the pending Hermiston UGB expansion

## 1.2 State Agencies and Other Governmental Organizations

<b>Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD)</b>			
Date	Purpose	Participants	Resolution
06/30/25	Meeting – Review near-final draft findings and maps. Opportunity to discuss any new or outstanding concerns before city submits Post Acknowledgement Plan	City of Hermiston Planning Director;  DLCD – Regional Representative, Senior Urban Planner, Farm/Forest Specialist, Economic Development Specialist,	DLCD staff expressed appreciation for the phased approach to meet a portion of the HDC need. DLCD staff inquired about how the remaining unmet need is quantified and the timing of future phases. The project team explained that unmet need will be considered as the number of needed HDC sites, rather than

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	Amendment (PAPA) notice to DLCD.	Community Services Specialist, Community Services Division Manager; and  City of Hermiston consultants	acres, and that future expansion phases will be development-driven.  DLCD staff asked whether the city anticipates local opposition, to which the project team responded that no, there was no opposition to the 2024 EOA and nearby jurisdictions have been engaged and have not raised concerns.  DLCD staff inquired about how the city will protect the expansion sites to ensure they are developed for HDCs. The project team described the proposed HDC overlay zone and plan designation, and identified Appendix A which contains the zone and plan amendments.
1/31/2025	Meeting - Present adopted EOA, share the UGB amendment priorities and work in Progress to DLCD staff	City of Hermiston Planning Director, City Manager, Assistant City Manager;  DLCD Regional Rep, Economic Development Specialist, Senior Urban Planner; and  City of Hermiston consultants	DLCD staff shared they were generally open to the approach thus far. DLCD staff inquired about inter-governmental coordination efforts. The project team described the level of coordination thus far with Umatilla County and unofficial coordination with City of Stanfield. Discussed plans for future coordination.
5/28/2024	Meeting - Discuss the most recent draft of the EOA. Solicit guidance from DLCD staff on areas that need additional detail	DLCD - Regional Representative, Economic Development Specialist, Community Services Division Manager, Community Services Specialist;  City of Hermiston- Planning Director, Assistant City	DLCD staff inquired about the local HDC demand compared with regional demand and advised that the final EOA would require additional evidence to support the average annual growth rate (local and regional) and FARs.  DLCD staff advised that the department will confirm water and power needs and capacities. DLCD staff shared that a statewide concern regards

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		Manager; and City of Hermiston consultants	accommodating an over-supply of HDC sites that eventually go unused.
5/7/2024	Meeting and email communication - Review of soil data assumptions and methods for identifying high-value farmland in the Goal 14 Rule study area	DLCD - Farm/Forest Specialist; and City of Hermiston consultants	City consultants shared their preliminary methodology and assumptions and DLCD staff shared resources to assist consultants with addressing the full definition of high-value farmland as covered in numerous state statutes and administrative rules.
2/26/2024	Kickoff meeting - Discuss the roles and responsibilities of various teams. DLCD staff comment on the next steps and potential challenges the project could face	City of Hermiston- Planning Director, City Attorney; Umatilla County – Planning Division Manager;  DLCD – Regional Representative, Senior Planner, Farm/Forest Specialist, Community Services Specialist; and City of Hermiston consultants	DLCD staff encouraged their continued coordination early and often.  For the EOA, particularly, DLCD staff advised the team confer with DLCD Economic Development Specialist. DLCD staff noted that UGB expansions over 50 acres will be reviewed by the Department and possibly the Commission (Land Conservation and Development Commission – LCDC).
<b>Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)</b>			
Date	Purpose	Participants	Resolution
7/09/2025	Meeting - City and its consultants coordinate with ODOT, ODOT to be notified of application and may provide agency comments	City of Hermiston – Planning Director;  ODOT – Region 5 Access Management Engineer; and City of Hermiston consultants	ODOT staff provided preliminary feedback on adequacy of transportation analysis – a few language adjustments and detail corrections. ODOT staff indicated they would send official comments in near future.
<b>Business Oregon</b>			
Date	Purpose	Participants	Resolution

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UPCOMING/ONGOING	Meeting - Letter of support - Support in planning and adoption	City of Hermiston – Assistant City Manager and Business Oregon	Ongoing coordination between City and Business Oregon  Business Oregon gave a letter of support for the 2024 EOA.
<b>Collaborative Alliance for Regional Technology and Economic Leadership (CARTEL)</b>			
Date	Purpose	Participants	Resolution
4/24/25	Inaugural meeting - Gather and share best practices for managing the impacts of data center development within communities either currently hosting data center development, or those wishing to host data center development	Varies by availability*	Well received by all in attendance. After preliminary introductions, much of the discussion tended to skew toward offering insights and tips to the City of Arlington regarding impending development there.
6/26/25	Presentation – City of Hermiston shares information regarding its partnership with AWS and development of an Aquifer Storage & Recovery system to supply process water for data centers.	Varies by availability*	Gathered and shared best practices for managing the impacts of data center development

\*City of Hermiston, City of Stanfield, the Burns-Paiute Tribe, City of Arlington, City of Boardman, City of The Dalles, City of Echo, City of Madras, City of Prineville, City of Umatilla, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.