

TO: City Council  
FROM: Brad Medrud, Planning Manager  
DATE: January 25, 2022  
SUBJECT: Bush Prairie Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) – Status Update

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1) Recommended Action:

Review the attached materials and be prepared to ask questions of staff.

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2) Background:

Working together with the Port of Olympia and large group of stakeholders, the City is in Phase 2 of the process of preparing the Bush Prairie Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) with consultant assistance to identify appropriate mitigation for take of the Mazama Pocket Gopher, the Streak-Horned Lark, the Oregon Spotted Frog, and the Oregon Vesper Sparrow.

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3) Policy Support:

Comprehensive Plan Conservation Element Goal C-1: Recognize the significant role played by natural features and systems in determining the overall environmental quality and livability of Tumwater.

Comprehensive Plan Conservation Element Policy C-2.16: Protect and preserve habitats for species, which have been identified as endangered, threatened, or sensitive by the state or federal government, giving “special consideration: to conservation or protection measures necessary to preserve or enhance anadromous fisheries.

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4) Alternatives:

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5) Fiscal Notes:

This is a federal grant and an internally funded work program task.

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6) Attachments:

- A. Memorandum
- B. Presentation