



**Cheasty Project Advisory Team
Meeting #2: October 23, 2014
Rainier Community Center
6:00-9:00 p.m.**

--MEETING AGENDA--

Meeting Facilitator: Margaret Norton-Arnold

6:00 Welcome, Follow-Up from Meeting 1, PAT Business

--Margaret

6:10 Public Outreach Plan for Cheasty Pilot Project

--Paula Hoff, Seattle Parks and Recreation; with Discussion from all Members

6:30 Trail Design at Seattle Parks: Review, Procedures, Process

--Jacobo Jimenez, Seattle Parks and Recreation; with Discussion from All Members

6:50 Existing Environmental Conditions at Cheasty

--Seattle Parks Staff

7:20 Break

7:30 Feedback from the Project Advisory Team

Let's work as a team to develop a checklist for comparison between the information you are hearing tonight and the preliminary trail design that you will see on November 20. At our November 20 meeting, we will use the checklist you create tonight to evaluate the design.

- *What are your expectations for the trail design? How do you envision it being compatible with the existing green space?*
- *What are your concerns – what do you want to make sure is protected as the preliminary trail design moves forward?*
- *Where do you see opportunities? What should the trail design incorporate in order to capitalize on these possibilities?*
- *We've learned that the design for a mountain bike trail is fundamentally different than the design for a pedestrian trail. What are your thoughts on where there should be trail separation vs. a combined trail? What will you be looking for in this regard?*

8:30 Public Comment

8:45 Wrap-Up and Next Steps

9:00 Adjourn

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Preparation and Discussion Guide**

Welcome back to the Cheasty Project Advisory Team. At this meeting, we will be focused primarily on the existing environmental conditions in the green space. The goal of this meeting is to create a checklist of expectations for the preliminary pedestrian/trail design, so that when you review the trail design on November 20, you can use the checklist for a comparison of how well the design will, or will not, meet the needs and expectations for both its overall function and for the way in which it is integrated into the forest.

A couple of members were not in attendance at the first meeting, so we will give them time to introduce themselves, and we'll also follow-up on any business that needs attending to.

One of the concerns expressed at the first meeting was the degree to which the PAT is truly representative of the community as a whole. Parks Superintendent Christopher Williams has determined that the make-up of the PAT will remain the same. However, the Department will also carry out an extensive public outreach effort to gather feedback on the proposed trail and to make sure as many people as possible are informed and engaged in the pilot project. Paula Hoff from Seattle Parks will describe this process and ask for your feedback. Paula will be looking for PAT volunteers to assist with this, so be sure to raise your hand when that time comes!

Jacobo Jimenez manages trail design and construction for Seattle Parks. He will describe the process that the Department will go through as it reviews, refines, and eventually builds the pilot project. Jacobo will describe similar environmental situations in other Seattle Parks, and the way in which trails have been designed and built in those areas.

Then we will turn our attention to the specific conditions at Cheasty, including plant and animal species that are present, slope angles and relative stability, wetland locations, and numerous other technical considerations that must be accounted for in trail design. After this presentation, the PAT will work on a "preliminary design checklist" that we will use to evaluate the design when it is presented to you on November 20. We will develop a draft checklist at the meeting, and Margaret will work via email to refine this with you over the next couple of weeks.

Fifteen minutes at the end of the meeting will be devoted to public comment. We'll then wrap up, describe next steps, and set the stage for Meeting 3 on November 20.

Thank you for your whole-hearted participation on October 2; looking forward to another productive meeting on the 23rd!