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MEMORANDUM

TO: Council Members

FROM: Patty O'Toole, Program Implementation Manager

SUBJECT: Overview of the Columbia Land Trust's Conservation Work

At the October Council meeting, the Columbia Land Trust will present an overview of their work in the Columbia Basin. Those who attended the recent congressional tour in September will remember visiting one of their projects, the Walloski Creek Project.

Since 1990, Columbia Land Trust has worked with ranchers, farmers, orchardists, conservationists, foresters, public agencies and individuals to conserve more than 9,800 acres of natural areas, farm and ranch lands, forests and critical habitat in Oregon and Washington.

The Columbia Land Trust's combined service area stretches approximately 250 miles from east of the Cascade Mountains to the Pacific Ocean, in both Oregon and Washington. This area spans 16 counties and includes major population centers of Portland, Vancouver, Kelso/Longview, Hood River, The Dalles, and Astoria.

Information regarding conservation projects can be found on the Columbia Land Trust website:
<http://www.columbialandtrust.org/our-work/conservation-projects>

The land trust recently acquired 301 acres of land along the Klickitat River. More information on this acquisition can be found at: <http://www.columbialandtrust.org/press-room/news-items/301-acres-acquired-along-klickitat-river>.

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