MEMO

To: **Mayor and Members of Council**
From: **Vincent Martorello, City Manager**
CC: **City Council File**
Re: **Week of March 29, 2026 - Update**
Date: **April 3, 2026**

Here is a summary of my activities for the week of March 29, 2026.

- I participated in a national podcast and discussed the City of Creswell, our work, challenges, achievements, etc. The podcast should air in a couple of months.
- I attended the Public Safety Committee meeting.
- Worked with staff and Chamber of Commerce to arrange the next Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours social event to happen at city hall. The date is April 22 from 5-7pm. The format will include the department heads providing a brief description of the work they do for the city and any current or upcoming projects/ initiatives. This meets our objective of engaging with the businesses.
- I completed a review of the budget and provided the Finance Director with comments and questions. He will review my input, and we will meet again in another week or so.
- I reached out to ODOT and discussed potential grant opportunities/ funding for a City of Creswell Gateway Study. See Attachment A. The goal is to see if we can obtain funding to complete a study/ design at the I-5 southbound off ramp and Oregon Ave intersection that identifies measures to showcase the entry and gateway into Creswell.
- I submitted a concept to DEQ for a stormwater enhancement and ecological restoration project for Garden Lake Park. See Attachment B. My request for DEQ is to assist the city in this long process with funding or grants. See attached for the initial idea. Please note, this concept is prepared only to assist in starting the conversation with DEQ about how to improve the water quality and ecology of the lakes.
- I sent a draft contract to our city attorney candidate for review.
- I completed staff training on Microsoft teams with other department heads and staff.

Anticipated Work for the Week March 15, 2026

- April 6 – Chamber of Commerce Board meeting
- April 7 – Participate in another CSD shark tank presentation
- April 8 – MWMC meeting with Junction City
- April 9 – Meeting with Mayor for agenda review
- April 9 - Meeting with Councilor Morris

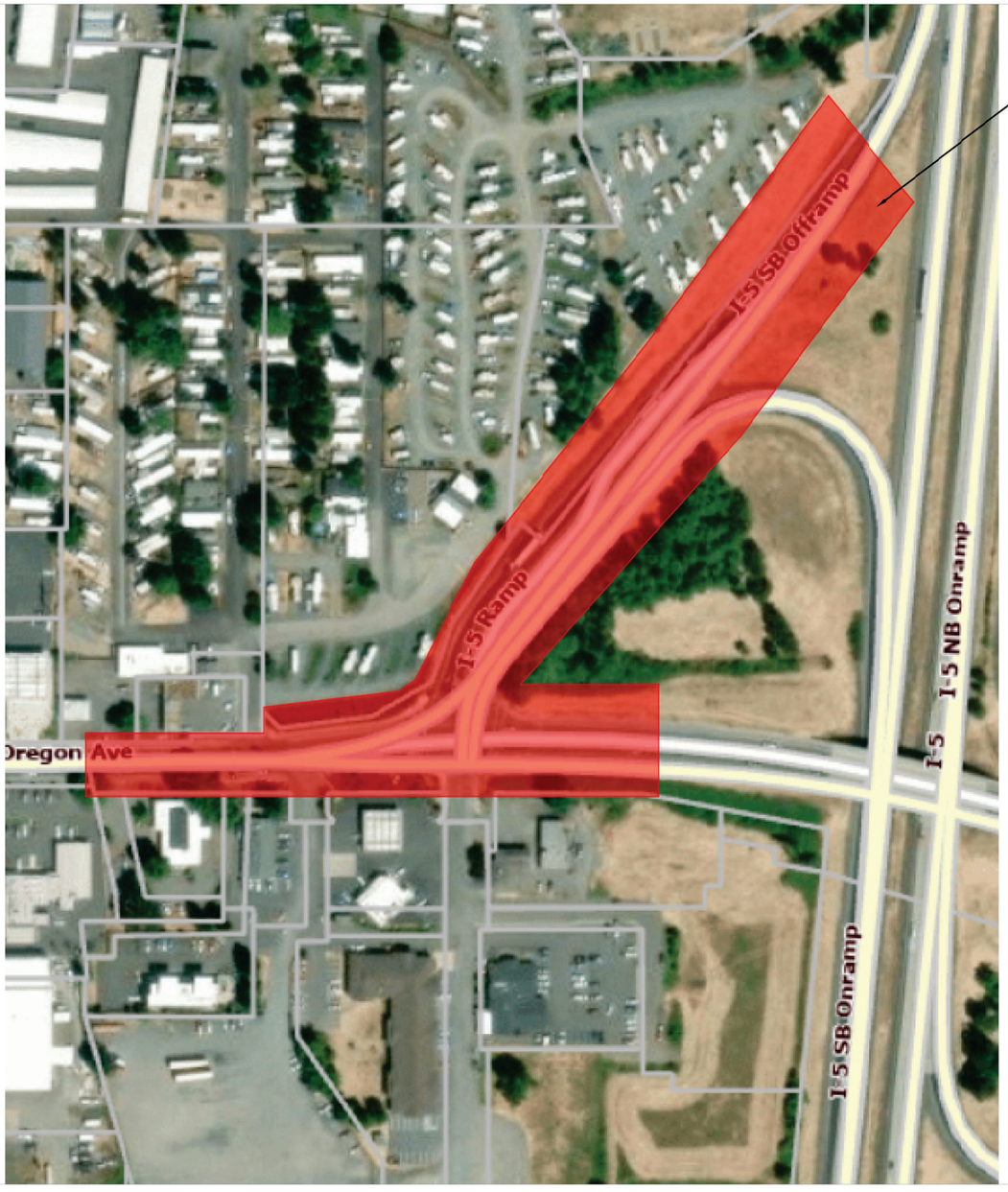
Upcoming Work

- April 13 - Council meeting

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

With Gratitude,
Vincent

Attachment A



Creswell Gateway Study Area
* New Landscaping
* New Creswell Entry Sign
* Point of Arrival Concept for Gateway

City of Creswell Gateway Study

Enhanced Gateway Entry Area

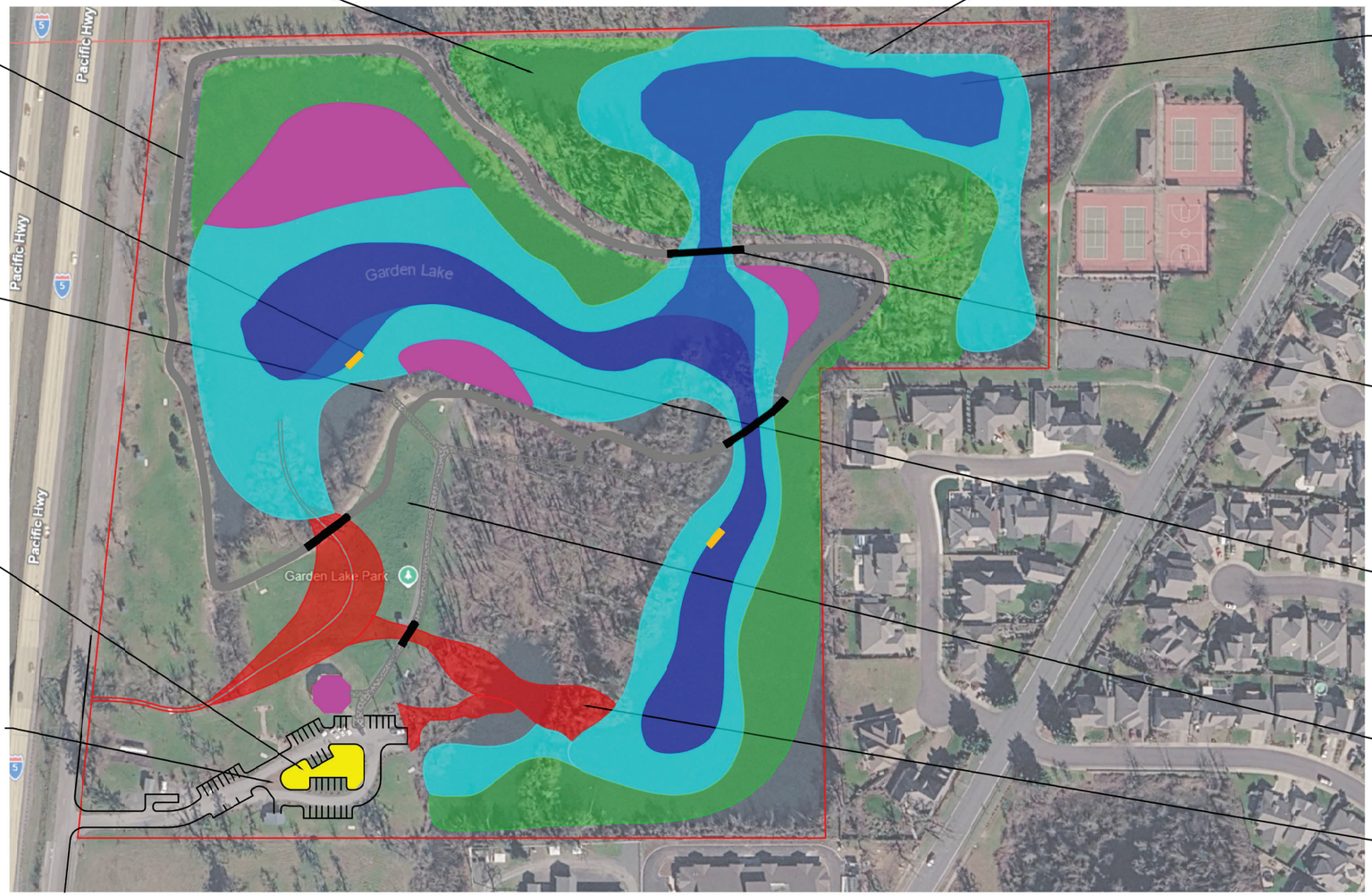
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Potential wetland mitigation bank/ restoration areas

Hard pack gravel trail

Fishing pier

PCC trail access to fishing pier

Native pollinator Garden

Improved parking area

Shallows - seasonal water inundation

Deep water area to promote fish habitat year round

Land bridge with culvert

Western pond turtle restored habitat

Potential future recreation area

Improved storm water management area

Garden Lake Park Improvement Concept

Ecological and Storm Water Enhancement Concept

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