
Josephine County's (JO CO) Citizen Advisory Committees (CACs)¹

1973 The Oregon Statewide land use planning system was established in 1973 (SB 100).

1976-1978 JO CO's citizen involvement program (CIP; Resolution 76-12) produced reasonably good citizen involvement (CI) results in its early years. For example, Bruce Bartow, Past Planning Director, was hired as the full-time planner to implement the CIP and support CACs. In 1978 there were 17 CACs - 14 CACs were active.

1980 - 1981 JO CO's budget for supporting the CIP through direct cash support and personnel ended with the 1980 - 1981 budget.

1984 JO CO's first comprehensive plan was acknowledged by LCDC.



1993 Through JO CO Ordinance 93-13 (JCO 93-13) the JO CO Board of Commissioners (BCC) eliminated the existing CACs and established a new CIP and CAC program.¹ Three CACs remained active.

JO CO estimated it would cost \$43,403.00 to again fund the CIP at the level it ended. The BCC declined to support such an action and there has never been a line-item budget to support the 1993 CIP (except 2000 - year of CI citizen initiated enforcement order).

2000 - 2004 The number of active CACs fluctuated from two to four and settled at two from 2004 - 2006.

Josephine County's Neighborhood Associations (NAs)²

1994 Following JCO 93-13 the BCC made a commitment that all the old CACs which did not meet the new CAC criteria would be considered as Neighborhood Associations (NAs).² A NA would receive a letter notifying them of a land use application, a copy of the application, and the staff report.

2000 The Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) was petitioned about the issue of notice to NAs.³ As of 2006 the county had not addressed the notice issue on remand from LUBA.

2000 A citizen enforcement order against JO CO was filed, in part because inadequate staff and funding for the CIP and CAC programs. A forum to present the CI concerns to LCDC was denied by DLCD, but the CI issues are preserved in the record.⁴

2000 - 2001 The JO CO Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC) held several meetings and workshops from 2001- 2002 on the CIP, CACs, and NAs, but did not ultimately make any recommendation to the BCC.

2003 Without any supporting data the BCC made a decision to eliminate notice to approximately 20 NAs because of the high costs.⁵

2003 The CIC was asked to consider the issue of recognition and notice to NAs. No known CIC action had been taken as of 2006.⁴

2006 NAs had not received notice of land applications in their areas since 2003.

CACs and NAs: In Summary

CACs In summary, JO CO had 14 active CACs in 1978. In 2006 there were two active CACs.

NAs In summary the county established the NA program in 1993 - 1994. At its peak there were approximately 20 active NAs throughout the county. In 2003 the county effectively did away with NAs by eliminating "notice" to them. In 2006 there were two active NAs.

More Information. Would you like to learn more? Contact a member of the Land Use Committee of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.



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This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

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