

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee

Washington State Arboretum Master Plan Update

There will be an oral report for information only.

# Washington Park Arboretum Master Plan Update

Board of Regents Presentation  
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# WPA Spring



# WPA Master Plan Update

- ▶ Arboretum is remarkable asset
- ▶ This is turning point for Arboretum
- ▶ Investment in the Arboretum will insure that living assets will be sustained and improved over time
- ▶ “The Arboretum is a world treasure”—New Zealand Prime Minister

# WPA Summer



# WPA Master Plan Update

## ▶ Previous updates

- Plan approved by Regents and City Council in 2001
- Partners in implementation are UW, Seattle Parks, and the Arboretum Foundation
- Plan improves education and research opportunities for faculty and students at UW as well as education and recreational opportunities for the citizens of the PNW
- Updated the City Council on July 15, 2010

## ▶ Today's update

- Progress and costs
- Participation in 520 mitigation planning

# WPA Fall



# WPA Master Plan Update

## ▶ Projects reported to BOR in 2008

- Partial Restoration of Duck Bay – \$1.23M (City of Seattle)
- Wayfinding Plan – \$135K (UW)
- Irrigation improvements – \$1M (Pro Parks Levy)
- Pacific Connections Gardens Phase I – \$2.2M (Arboretum Foundation); \$500K (Levy); \$50K (UW)
- Japanese Garden entry – \$1M (Arboretum Foundation); \$800K (Levy)



# WPA Winter



# WPA Master Plan Update

- ▶ Changes since September 2008
  - Pacific Connections Gardens/Gateway to Chile – \$547K (\$281K – Arboretum Foundation; \$263K – Parks Levy) **Completed October 2010**
  - Pacific Connections Gardens/New Zealand plants – \$263K (Arboretum Foundation) **In progress**
  - .75 FTE UW gardener – \$40K/year (Arboretum Foundation)

# WPA /SR520 – Before

Aerial of Montlake neighborhood from west, Seattle, 1937



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# WPA /SR520 – After

Aerial of Evergreen Point Bridge under construction from west, Seattle, 1963



# Washington Park Arboretum Mitigation Plan

- ▶ Required by Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6392
- ▶ Final plan submitted to Governor by WSDOT on December 22, 2010
- ▶ Developed in coordination with the Arboretum and Botanical Garden Committee, UW and City Parks
- ▶ Seeks to minimize direct and indirect impacts on WPA
- ▶ Reprioritizes projects within the WPA Master Plan for implementation

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