

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC)
Acting as governing body for Water Environment Services

FROM: Greg Geist, Director

RE: American Council of Engineering Companies Award for Upper Kellogg Project

DATE: March 10, 2026

REQUEST: Informational update only.

BACKGROUND: During the development of the Storm System Master Plan, WES identified four capital improvement projects to address flooding and water quality issues in the Upper Kellogg Creek watershed. Due to each of these project sites being hydraulically related, WES grouped these project sites into a single project for a comprehensive approach to analyzing alternatives and designing a solution. Two of the projects were awarded American Rescue Plan Act funding by the Board of County Commissioners.

WES contracted with Otak to assemble a multi-disciplined team of engineers and subconsultants to resolve the long-standing issue of flooding on roadways and private property. Many landowners were engaged, and the team sponsored several meetings in a nearby park with neighbors and property owners to build rapport and share the design.

The Otak team provided excellent solutions to nuisance flooding by integrating stormwater management and stream restoration, while maintaining high quality service and meeting an aggressive project schedule. Otak's diligence was recognized with a 2026 American Council of Engineering Companies Engineering Excellence Award. We're very proud of this project and our staff, and we thank the Board for their support of this important project and DTD's collaborative partnership.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Greg L Geist".

Greg Geist

Director, WES

Attachment A: Project Location

Serving Clackamas County, Gladstone, Happy Valley, Johnson City, Milwaukie, Oregon City, Rivergrove and West Linn

Attachment A

