



LANGUAGE WEB MAP

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Environmental Public Participation

- One of the ways DEQ engages the community is through the Public Notice process
- The 401 program and the US Army Corps of Engineers posts Public Notice for projects.
- This is a chance for the public to provide comments and concerns about projects that may be affecting a water close to their home or where they might recreate.
- How to engage the public in an equitable way?

Public Notice

DEQ Requests Comments on Proposed Water Quality Certification for Quail Park



State of Oregon
Department of
Environmental
Quality

**401 Water Quality
Certification Program**
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Portland, OR 97232
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maintaining and enhancing
the quality of Oregon's air,
land and water.*

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality invites the public to submit written comments on a proposed Section 401 water quality certification for the Quail Park project in Oatfield in Clackamas County.

Summary

Timber Creek Custom Homes, Inc. proposes to construct a 15-lot residential subdivision to provide affordable housing units.

Where can I get more information?

The proposed agreement is provided below. You can review the file in its entirety at the DEQ Northwest Region office located at 700 NE Multnomah Street Suite 600 in Portland. For a review appointment, contact Anne Kim, Permit Coordinator, at 503-229-5623 or email anne.kim@deq.state.or.us.

How do I participate?

You may submit your comments electronically or by mail or to:

401 Public Comments
Northwest Region DEQ
700 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 600
Portland, OR 97232

To submit comments electronically, please visit [Your DEQ Online](#). If you wish to attach a file with your comment, please register and create a public user account. If you do not wish to submit an attachment or register an account, select the "Public Records" icon from the sign-in page.

Once in the system, you may search for the public notice using the project name listed above or filtering the results by selecting "401 – Dredge and Fill Project" as the "Environmental Interest".

All comments are due by 5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021 All comments will become part of the public record.

About the project

The Applicant proposes to permanently impact 0.12 acres of wetlands, by removing approximately 170 cubic yards, and discharging approximately 995 cubic yards of fill material in order to construct residential lots and associated infrastructure. The Applicant has purchased 0.16 credits from the Foster Creek Wetland Mitigation Bank to mitigate for wetland impacts.

What does a water quality certification do?

One way DEQ protects Oregon's water quality is by issuing Section 401 certifications. Section 401 of the federal Clean Water Act requires federal agencies to obtain a water quality certification from the State if the proposed activity may result in a discharge to surface waters. The certification states that the discharge will comply with applicable sections of the Clean Water Act.

What legal authorities apply?

- Federal Clean Water Act
- Oregon Revised Statutes 468B
- Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 340, Divisions 041 and 048

What happens next?

DEQ may hold a public hearing on the proposal if one is requested by 10 or more people or an organization representing 10 or more members. DEQ will review and consider all comments received. The certification may be issued as proposed, modified or denied.

You will be notified of DEQ's final decision if you submit written comments during the comment period. Otherwise, if you would like to receive notification, please contact Anne Kim at 503-229-5623 or kim.anne@deq.state.or.us.

Alternative formats

DEQ can provide documents in an alternate format or in a language other than English upon request. Call DEQ at 800-452-4011 or email deqinfo@deq.state.or.us.

Environmental Justice Lens

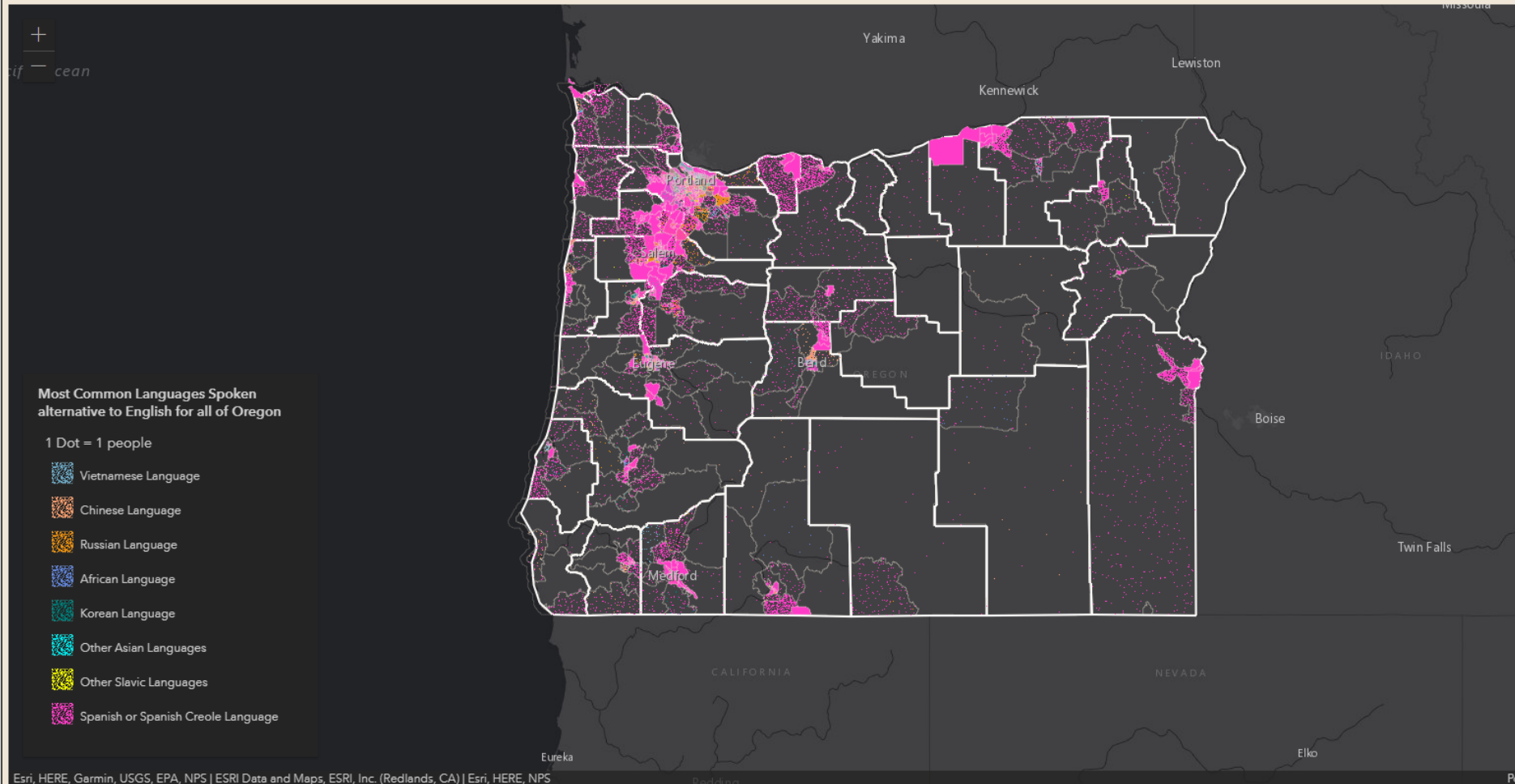
How to engage the public in an equitable way?



- Oregon DEQ is focused on addressing potential disparate environmental impacts that may contribute to environmental injustice in Oregon.
- Through the EJ Work Group, several DEQ employees have come together to collaborate and share ways that we are incorporating an EJ lens into our work.
- My contribution is providing an internal tool that permitting program could potentially use during their public notice process.

Language Web Map Tool

Alternative Languages Spoken in Oregon

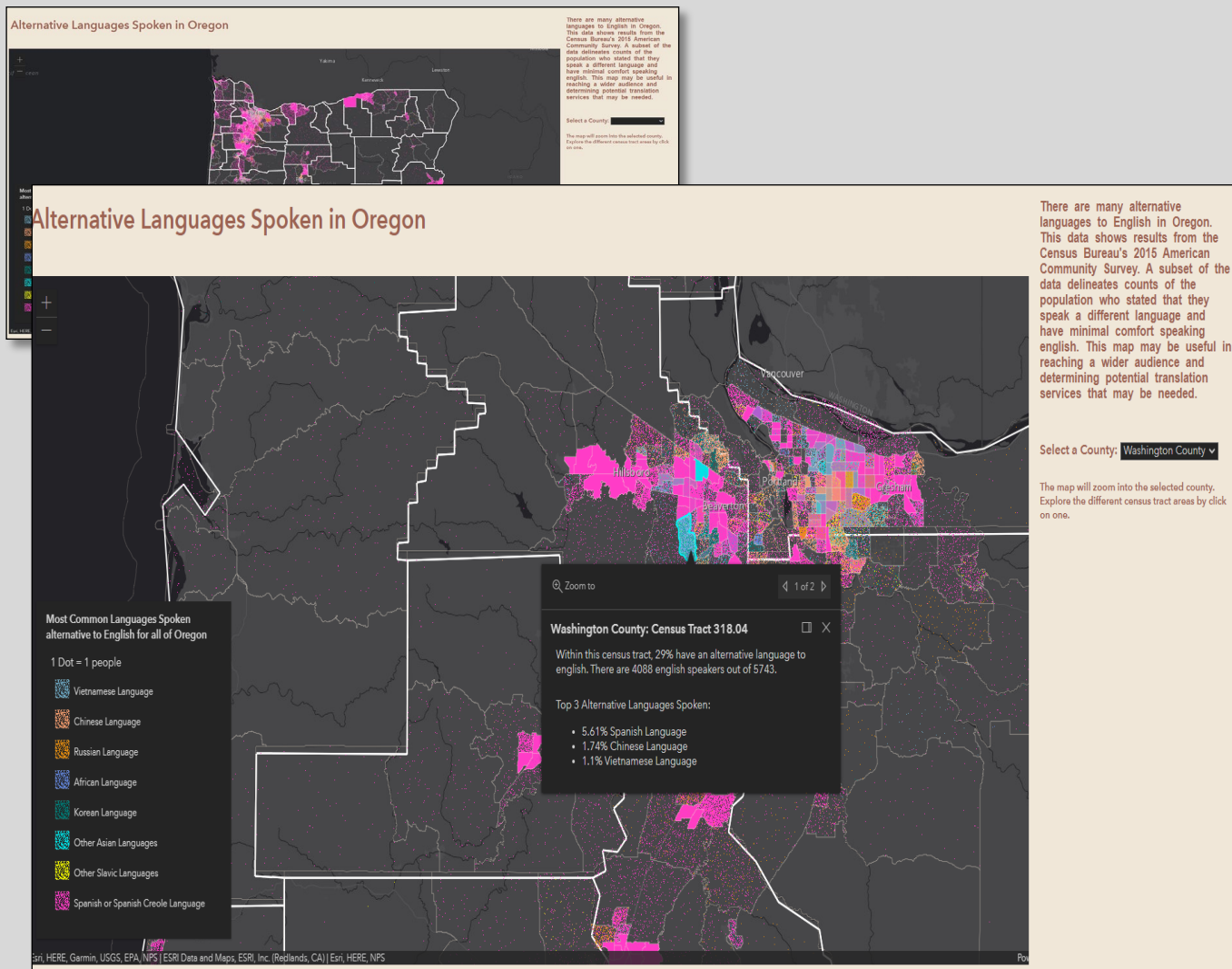


There are many alternative languages to English in Oregon. This data shows results from the Census Bureau's 2015 American Community Survey. A subset of the data delineates counts of the population who stated that they speak a different language and have minimal comfort speaking english. This map may be useful in reaching a wider audience and determining potential translation services that may be needed.

Select a County:

The map will zoom into the selected county. Explore the different census tract areas by click on one.

Language Web Map Tool



- The tool shows the top 3 alternative languages spoken within a census tract.
- The data utilizes the Census Bureau ACS 2015 Language Data
- The map shows the subset of the data where participants indicated that they speak another language and have minimal English language comfort.
- The map was created using JavaScript APIs, utilizing Esri's web map functions.
- The web map is still in production and has not yet been published.