



**SPRINGWATER  
CORRIDOR**

The acquisition of the Springwater Corridor by the city of Portland in 1990 was a giant leap towards completion of the 40-Mile Loop and closed a last major gap in the loop. The 20-mile-long Corridor begins at SE Ivon Street and extends to the community of Boring. It was originally developed for rail service and was most commonly known as the Portland Traction Company Line. It has a smooth, even grade which makes it ideal for many types of recreation.

True to the initial inspiration for the Loop, many parks and open spaces are linked by this addition. Just as the railroad was the lifeblood of the communities it served, the Springwater Corridor/40-Mile Loop will continue to tie neighborhoods together and encompass many scenic areas, including Johnson Creek, wetlands, buttes, agricultural fields and pastures, residential and industrial neighborhoods. Parks include Oaks Bottom Wildlife Refuge, Oaks Amusement Park, Sellwood Riverfront Park, Johnson Creek Park, Sellwood Park, Tideman Johnson Nature Park, Beggars Tick Marsh, the I-205 bike path, Leach Botanical Garden, Bundy Park, Powell Butte Nature Park and Gresham Main City Park.

The original rail line beyond Boring is currently owned by the State of Oregon. The addition of this link offers a real possibility of a trail that would link downtown Portland directly with the Pacific Crest Trail in Mt. Hood National Forest.

(Future Extension to Pacific Crest Trail)