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IRON MOUNTAIN SITE SELECTED FOR SOLV SERVICE PROJECT ON SATURDAY

LAKE OSWEGO – One of the largest Earth Day projects in the nation will include a Lake Oswego site for the first time on Saturday. The City of Lake Oswego is partnering with SOLV Oregon this year to participate in “SOLV IT 2006.”

Interested volunteers are invited to help remove invasive vegetation in the Iron Mountain Natural Area on Saturday, April 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., near the Hunt Club at the service road adjacent to 2311 Iron Mountain Boulevard. This is the area where hundreds of goats were used to help clear brush and overgrowth last year. Signs will direct participants to nearby parking. Snacks, water, and free food coupons will be provided.

At the event, participants will be working to save trees from the damaging effects of English Ivy, Clematis, and other invasive, non-native vegetation that competes for water and nutrients. Organizers suggest that participants dress for the weather and bring gloves, loppers and/or hand clippers. Volunteers can register in advance of the event at http://www.solv.org/programs/solv_it.asp. There is no cost to participate.

SOLV IT projects include cleaning up illegal dumpsites and neighborhoods, trail maintenance, wetland and watershed restoration, and community center development. Throughout the Portland metropolitan area, thousands of volunteers will converge on approximately 100 project sites. Since 1990, SOLV IT volunteers have removed more than 12 million pounds of solid waste, green waste, and litter.

For more information about this or any other upcoming service projects in parks and open spaces, contact Annie Bergelin, Natural Area Volunteer Coordinator at 503-534-5742 or abergelin@ci.oswego.or.us.

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