

# Beaverton School District's Resilience Design for New Schools



Mountainside High School

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*One School District's Response to  
Risks from The Big One*

# Beaverton School District 2014 Bond Program

## \$680 Million Bond Program

- Passed in May 2014
- Construct **seven school buildings**

### New Capacity Construction

- High School
- Middle School
- Elementary School (K-5)

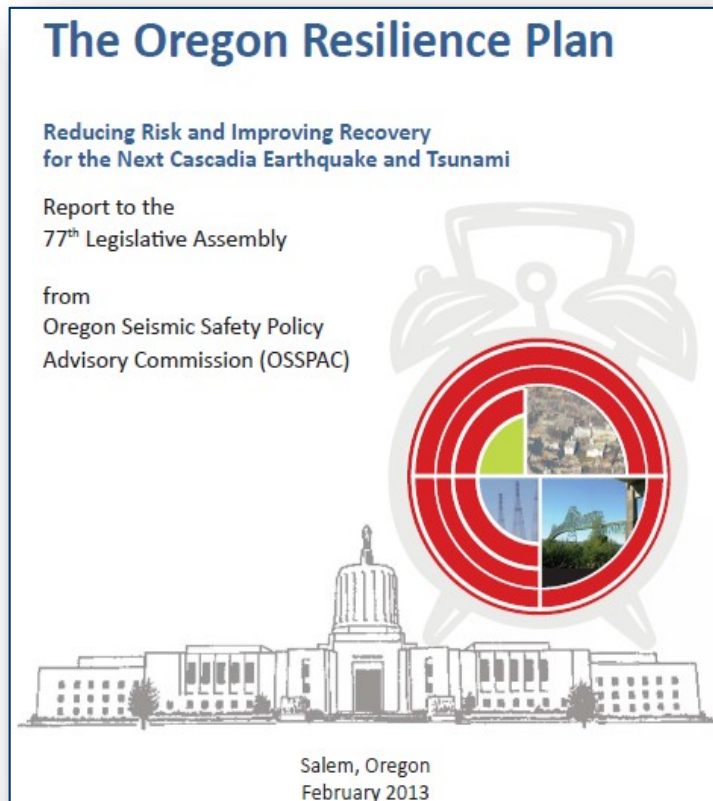
### Replace Four Outdated Schools

- Three K-5 school buildings
- One magnet school (6-12 grades)

### Additional Investments

- \$100M in Capital Repairs
- Multiple School Renovations
- Classroom Technology

# The Oregon Resilience Plan (2013)



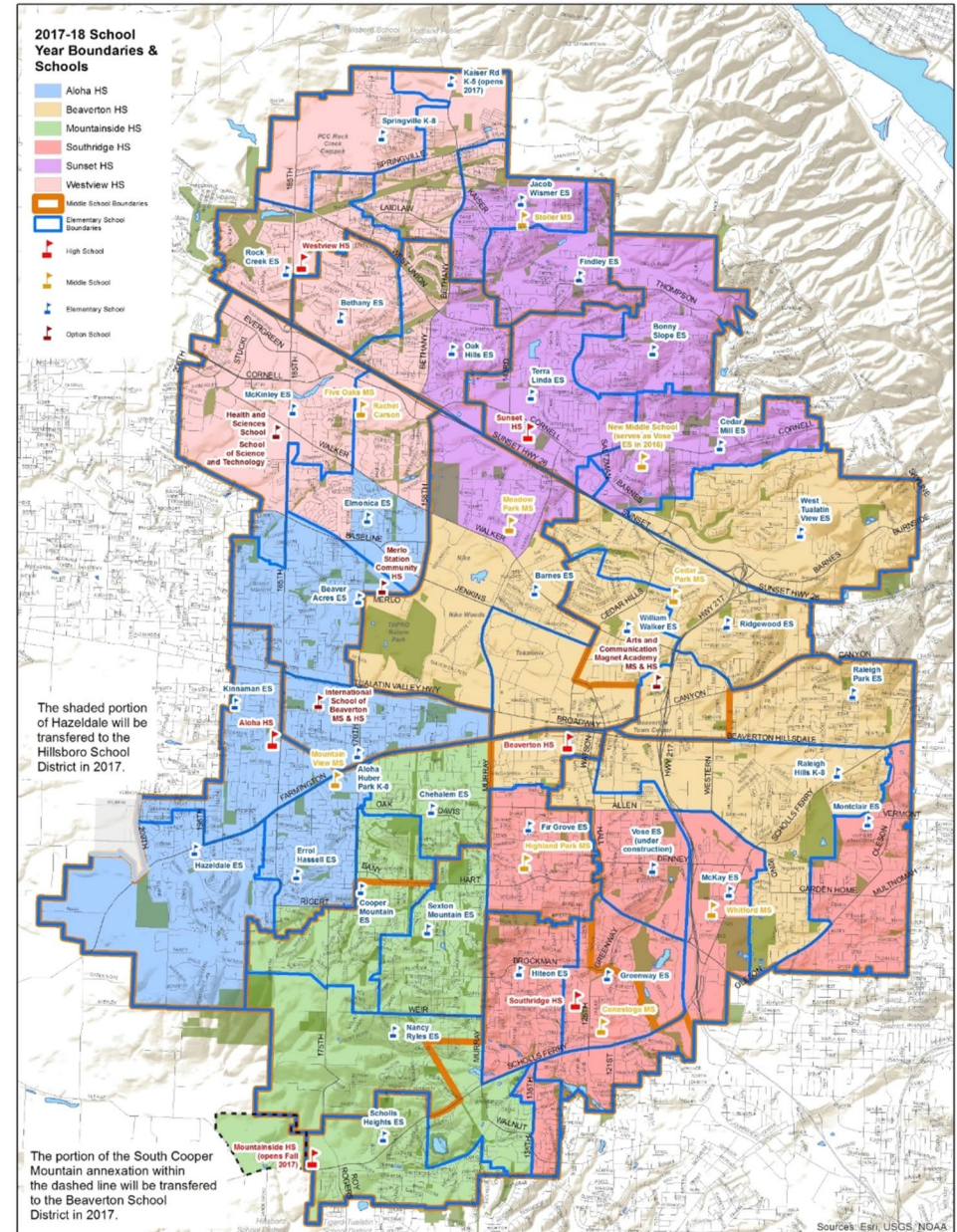
## 50-year Comprehensive Plan

- Cascadia Earthquake Scenario
- Business/Workforce Continuity
- Coastal Communities
- Critical & Essential Buildings
- Transportation
- Energy
- Information and Communication
- Water & Wastewater

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# Schools are Different ...

- Widely distributed; walkable
- Large indoor spaces
- Open outdoor spaces
- Thousands of children
  - 7,000+ in 7 new schools
- Retained by “owner” for decades
- Failure to meet scheduled opening date not an option!



Sources: Esri, USGS, NOAA



# Driving Factors

## Special Opportunity – Special Duty

- Seismic Code based upon “Life Safety” Standard
  - **Building may not be Economically Repairable**
- Schools are Distributed in Neighborhoods & Walkable
- Schools Attract People Needing Emergency Shelter
- New School Buildings may be in Inventory for ~100 years
- Probability of “The Big One” during Service Period is High



# Beaverton School District Philosophy

## Justification for Exceeding Code Minimums:

- Enhanced Safety for Students and Staff
- Emergency Shelter to Support the Community
- Inexpensive Insurance Policy Against Economic Loss
- Original Construction: Only Opportunity to Build-in Features
- **Strategy:**  
**Maximum Benefits for Smallest Cost without Schedule Impact!**

# Beaverton School District Resilience Design Plan

<https://www.beaverton.k12.or.us/departments/facilities-development/2014-bond-construction-projects/seismic-projects>



- Developed in 2014-15
- Compressed Schedule
  - The Kids are Coming!
  - Needed Quick Decisions
- Constrained Budgets
  - Bond \$\$ Amount Locked-In
- Based Upon New HS and MS
- Applicable to all 7 New Schools
- Published to Provide Beginning Framework for other Districts

# Stakeholder Workshop



Workshop at Tualatin Valley  
Fire & Rescue Command &  
Business Operations Center  
February 10, 2015

## Key Participants 33 Individuals

Beaverton School District

A&E Design Teams for HS & MS

Critical Utility Service Providers

Emergency Planning Managers

Emergency Responders

American Red Cross

SEFT Consulting Group



# Mountainside High School



- **3-Stories plus Partial Basement**
- **342,000 SF**
- **40 Acres**
- **2,200 Students**
- **\$100 M (building only)**

# Structure Strategy

- **Risk Category IV** – Structural / Seismic Design
  - Code Requirement – Category III
  - Category IV: Immediate Occupancy Standard – whole building
  - Insurance against total economic loss
- Non-structural Components
  - Equipment (required to operate after EQ) seismically certified
  - Components required for use as shelter: Category IV seismic bracing
  - Others: Category III seismic bracing

# Water & Waste Water Strategy

- **Restrained pipe joints** between city lines and building
  - Water and sewer lines
- **Stub-out water connections** for exterior tanker to supply:
  - Kitchen
  - Locker rooms & showers
  - Drinking fountains in common spaces
  - Restrooms serving dining / commons
- Seismic bracing of **building plumbing** per Category IV
- Sewer Short Term: Others to provide **portable toilets**

# Electricity & HVAC Strategy

- Emergency Power

- 375 KW generator; 96-hour fuel storage
  - Code standard: support emergency exiting
- Supplemented with solar PV system
- Power for lighting and ventilation in common areas

- Heating & Cooling

- Assume no natural gas service: jackets / blankets
- Natural ventilation: doors, windows, and exhaust fans



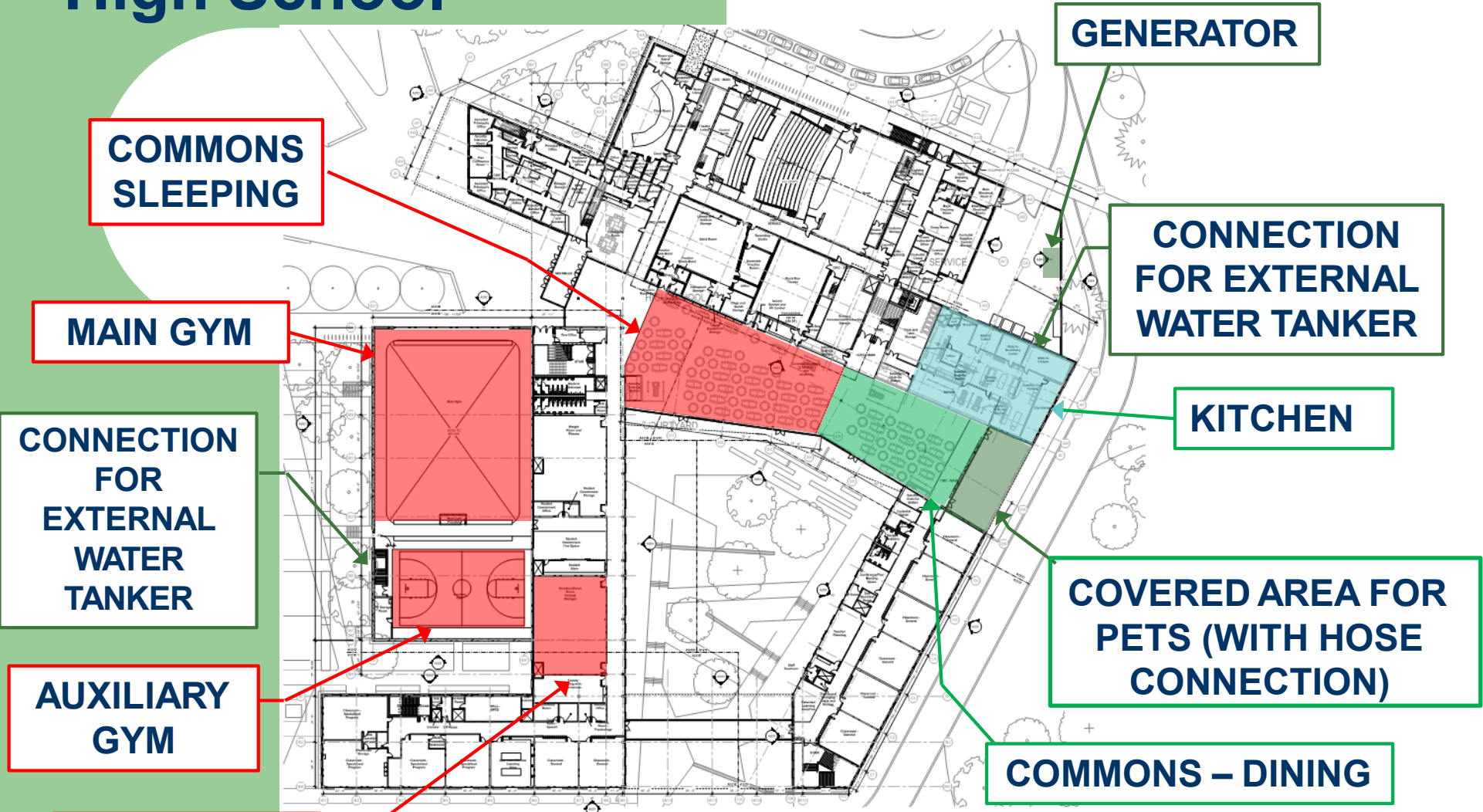
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# 1% Cost Impact – High School

| Resilience Feature                      | Cost Estimate      |
|---|--------------------|
| Category IV Structure                   | \$500,000          |
| Generator & Fuel Storage                | \$330,000          |
| Electrical Wiring                       | \$8,000            |
| Water Service Sub-Outs                  | \$15,000           |
| Natural Gas Seismic Shut Off Valve      | \$5,000            |
| Restrained Joints - Water & Sewer Lines | \$108,000          |
| Solar PV Interconnection                | \$80,000           |
| <b>Approximate Total</b>                | <b>\$1,000,000</b> |