

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

Meeting Agenda

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board January 24-25, 2006

Conference Center
The Inn at Otter Crest
301 Otter Crest Loop
Otter Rock, Oregon

*Located off Hwy 101, 7 miles north of Newport

January 24, 2006

Business Meeting – 8:30 a.m.

A public comment period is provided at approximately 11:00 a.m. today for comment on any issue before the Board.

A. Board Member Comments

Board representatives from state and federal agencies will provide an update on issues related to the natural resource agency they represent. This is also an opportunity for public and tribal Board members to report on their recent activities and share information and comments on a variety of watershed enhancement and Oregon Plan-related topics. *Information item.*

B. Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 13-14 and September 19, 2005, meetings will be presented for Board approval. *Action item*.

C. Executive Director Update

Tom Byler, Executive Director, will update the Board on agency business and late-breaking issues. *Information item*.

D. Revisit 2005-2007 Non-Capital Funds Spending Plan

Tom Byler, Executive Director, will lead a discussion with Board members on proposed revisions to the spending plan for the use of non-capital funds for the 2005-2007 biennium. The Board will be asked to consider revising or authorizing the reservation and allocation of non-capital funds for the following non-capital grant program areas: technical assistance; education and outreach; monitoring and assessment; and local capacity enhancement. *Action item*.

E. Public Comment [approximately 11:30 a.m.]

This time is reserved for public comment on any matter before the Board. Anyone wishing to speak to the Board is asked to fill out a comment request sheet as early as possible in the morning's proceedings (available at the information table). This helps the Board know how many individuals would like to speak, and to schedule accordingly.

F. Recovery Planning Update

Louise Solliday, Governor's Natural Resources Office, will update Board members on the current activities and schedule for Oregon's Endangered Species Act recovery planning for salmon and steelhead. *Information item*.

G. Willamette River Legacy Program Update

Louise Solliday, Governor's Natural Resources Office, will update Board members on the current activities and schedule for the Willamette River Legacy Program. *Information item*.

H. Oregon Plan State Agency Activities Update

Oregon Department of Agriculture

Director Katy Coba, Ray Jaindl, and Larry Ojua will provide a presentation on Oregon Department of Agriculture activities under the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds. *Information item.*

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Acting Director Roy Elicker, Ed Bowles, and Charles Corrarino will provide a presentation on Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife activities under the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds. *Information item.*

Local Partner Discussion [approximately 4:00 p.m.]

Representatives of the MidCoast Watersheds Council and the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District will share information on local projects in the area.

Informal Reception [5:00 – 6:00 p.m.]

The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board invites you to join Board members and staff for a reception for area councils, districts, and local officials who are OWEB's partners supporting watershed restoration activities.

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Inn at Otter Crest Dining Room

January 25, 2006

Business Meeting – 8:00 a.m.

I. Deferred Acquisitions

Melissa Leoni, Senior Policy Coordinator, will update Board members on land acquisition projects deferred from previous meetings. *Information and possible action item*.

J. 2005-2007 Capital Funds Spending Plan and Signature Projects

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, will lead a discussion with Board members on the proposed use of Measure 66 Lottery Funds for "signature projects" and innovative partnerships with federal and regional restoration and enhancement programs. *Information item*.

K. Restoration Priorities Update

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, will update Board members on the program for completion and adoption of basin restoration priorities. *Information item*.

L. 2006 Biennial Conference

Roger Wood, Grant Program Manager, will update Board members on planning for the 2006 Biennial Conference and will ask the Board to consider authorization of reserved non-capital funds for Oregon Plan efforts for conference costs. *Action item*.

M. Board Consideration of Pending Local Innovation Fund Proposals

Tom Byler, Executive Director, and Allison Hensey, Local Innovation Fund Manager, will update Board members on proposals received by the December 1, 2005, deadline. Proposals, supporting materials, and funding recommendations will be discussed and acted on by the Board. *Action item.*

N. Other Business

Meeting Procedures: Generally, agenda items will be taken in the order shown. However, in certain circumstances, the Board may elect to take an item out of order. To accommodate the scheduling needs of interested parties and the public, the Board may also designate a specific time at which an item will be heard. Any such times are indicated on the agenda.

Please be aware that topics not listed on the agenda may be introduced during the Board Comment period, the Executive Director's Update, the Public Comment period, under Other Business or at other times during the meeting.

Oregon's Public Meetings Law requires disclosure that Board members may meet for meals on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

Public Testimony: The Board encourages public comment on any agenda item. However, public testimony must be limited on items marked with a double asterisk (). The double asterisk means that the item has already been the subject of a formal public hearing. Further public testimony may not be taken except upon changes made to the item since the original public comment period, or upon the direct request of the Board members in order to obtain additional information or to address changes made to proposed rules following a public hearing.

A public comment period for any issue before the Board will be held at approximately 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 24. People wishing to speak to the Board are asked to fill out a comment request sheet (available at the information table). Comments relating to a specific agenda item may be heard by the Board as each agenda item is considered. The Board will not accept any additional written materials pertaining to pending grant proposals at that time.

Tour: The Board may tour local watershed restoration project sites. The public is invited to attend, however transportation may be limited to Board members and OWEB staff. If you wish to join the tour, be prepared to provide your own transportation.

Executive Session: The Board may also convene in a confidential executive session where, by law, only press members and OWEB staff may attend. Others will be asked to leave the room during these discussions, which usually deal with current or potential litigation. Before convening such a session, the presiding Board member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

Questions? If you have any questions about this agenda or the Board's procedures, please call Bonnie Ashford, OWEB Board Assistant, at 503-986-0181.

If special physical, language or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise Bonnie Ashford (503-986-0181) as soon as possible but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Membership

Voting Members

Environmental Quality Commission member: Ken Williamson

Fish and Wildlife Commission member: Skip Klarquist

Board of Forestry member: *Diane Snyder*Board of Agriculture member: *Dan Carver*

Water Resources Commission member: Dan Thorndike

Public member: Jane O'Keeffe, Board Co-Chair Public member: Daniel Heagerty, Board Co-Chair

Public member (tribal): Bobby Brunoe

Public member: *Patricia Smith*Public member: *Jim Nakano*Public member: *Helen Westbrook*

Non-voting Members

Representative of Director of Agricultural Extension Service: Scott Reed

Representative of U.S. Forest Service: Alan Christensen

Representative of U.S. BLM: Paula Burgess Representative of U.S. NRCS: Dianne Guidry Representative of U.S. EPA: Dave Powers Representative of NMFS: Michael Tehan

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2006-2007 Board Meeting Schedule

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September 18-19, 2007 – La Grande

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