MEETING RECORD - "To Be" Process Design Meeting

STREAMLINING STATE AGENCY PERMITTING FOR REMOVAL-FILL PROJECTS

June 8, 2005, DEQ Offices in Portland, 9 – Noon

REDESIGN GOAL → Best state agency removal-fill permit process in US for a **complex**

project that

REQUIRES	AND/OR
1) Wetland Delineation	4) CZM construction
2) Individual Permit	5) Fish Passage
3) 401 Certification	6) Water Right for Wetland Mitigation

Assumptions:

- Design for 80% of the potential permits see ATTACHMENT 1.
- Best process in the US for **simple** projects will be built after complex process is designed.
- The processes will also be used for general authorizations.

REDESIGN OPTIONS

Trained Application Consultants (minimizes state liability)
State publishes a list of consultants that have been trained.
Possibility: provide incentives to use consultants.

- State Staff Guides (state employees)
- Consultant Force
- Hybrid Approaches provide different levels of training to multiple state and private agency staffs
 - Watershed Council
 - SWCD Model: assistance in local communities
 - Oregon Plan for Salmon & Watersheds

Note: relate accurately to ATTACHMENT 1

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EXPLORE

Preload state process to meet Corps requirements? Run sequentially? Find out: do projects with state approval go faster?

POINTS OF AGREEMENT

- Front Load Process with Multi-Agency Information/Clarity
- The process should be so transparent that it will be easy for a small property owner to navigate on their own, without assistance from state employees.
- A given: will need multi-disciplinary, veteran staff who can respond to variations in work volume and regional fluctuations.

KEY PLACES TO REDESIGN

- Information at the beginning
- Service level provided by the state
- Multi-agency involvement and coordination

PROPOSED NEW PROCESS TO OBTAIN AN OREGON REMOVAL-FILL PERMIT

See Attachment 2

NEXT MEETING

→ clarify steps if subsequent review is required

ATTACHMENT 1

REMOVAL-FILL PERMITS THAT ARE THE FOCUS OF THE WATER-RELATIED PROCESS IMPROVEMENT TEAM (See Shaded Rows)

FISCAL YEAR:	1999- 2000	2000- 2001	2001- 2002	2002- 2003	2003- 2004
INDIVIDUAL PERMITS		2001			2001
Boat Ramp	11	7	7	7	18
Channel Relocation	3	9	3	3	1
Dam Related	6	6	5	2	8
Dock	6	6	5	11	9
Dredging	14	14	13	11	5
Erosion	44	27	8	11	12
Fiber Optic	6	3	3	1	0
Miscellaneous Fill	113	60	53	64	71
Fish Habitat	1	3	2	5	6
Gold Mining	0	1	0	0	0
Commercial Gravel Removal	9	2	1	6	5
Log Salvage	0	0	1	0	0
Pipeline/Cable/Utility	47	40	26	30	32
Ponds	0	2	2	0	0
Roads/Bridges	28	22	24	42	29
Miscellaneous Removal/RF	45	81	37	74	8
Resource Enhancement	3	2	1	0	3
Wetland Enhancement	0	0	3	2	1
SUBTOTAL	336	285	194	269	208

GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS					
Tidegate	2	5	1	0	0
Fish Habitat Enhancement	219	184	173	172	136
Erosion Control	98	95	33	53	51
Road Construction	129	123	86	138	104
Wetland Enhancement	42	39	23	32	26
Unknown	13	10	3		
Wetland Fill					1
Piling					17
Minimal Disturbance				6	26
SUBTOTAL	503	456	319	401	361
EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATIONS					
Dam-Related	0	3	0		•••••
Erosion	18	7	14	10	13
Miscellaneous Fill	12	2	0		
Pipeline/Cable/Utility	0	7	0	1	2
Roads/Bridges	3	9	10	3	3
Miscellaneous Removal/RF	12	7	1	2	12
SUBTOTAL	45	35	25	16	30
TOTAL TO THIS POINT	884	776	538	686	599
Recreational Small Scale Placer	126	126	270	497	782
Mining	4040	000	000	4400	4004
GRAND TOTAL	1010	902	808	1183	1381

Source: Water-Related Permitting -- Improving the State of Oregon's Process for Permitting Development Projects that Affect Oregon's Water Resources - Recommendations. May 12, 2005

ATTACHMENT 2

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(Very High View)

PROPOSED NEW PROCESS TO OBTAIN AN OREGON REMOVAL-FILL PERMIT

STEP	APPLICANT	CONSULTANT	STATE OF OREGON	OTHER PARTIES
1 ASSESS PERMIT REQUIRE- MENTS	1a Seek Project Guidance: Written Verbal Web		1b Provide: - comprehensive information/roadmap - what it takes to get to yes - list of consultants - possible solutions to consider - caseworker for projects steers applicant to process for simple or complex project - where appropriate project manager assigned	THUIS
2 SUPER APPLICATION	2a Prepare and Submit Super-application			
3 STATE REVIEW			3a Multi-Agency Review 1) For completeness [all necessary information from all agencies is present] 2) To identify issues	
4 PUBLIC NOTICE AND COMMENT			4a Notify public of project and issues. Request comments.	4b Submit Comments to state and applicant?
5 ISSUE RESOLUTION	5a Adjust application and submit revisions to state			
6 PERMIT DECISION (End Product: Permission to Dig)			 If yes go to step 7. If no, but with some changes permit could be granted, go to step If no, deny permit. 	
7 BEGIN REMOVAL- FILL 8	7 Begin Work			
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Note: additional steps could be current process steps of appeal, compliance and enforcement