

Working DRAFT

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Managing Wetland Opportunities and Constraints Working Group

Goals/Deliverables and Work Tasks

Issue	Goals	Deliverables/Tasks
<p>1. Many of the large undeveloped industrially zoned sites (particularly, but not exclusively in the Willamette Valley) are substantially constrained by wetlands.</p>	<p>Incorporate wetlands evaluations into state agency programs and processes that plan, fund/finance, and permit industrial development and infrastructure.</p>	<p>1A-Task: Each of the following ERT agencies will identify programs and processes that plan and fund/finance infrastructure and economic development related activities and evaluate if a wetland determination step is adequately incorporated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OECDD - Lead: Susan Aldrich - completed ▪ DEQ - Lead: Mikell O’Mealey – in progress ▪ DLCDD - Lead: Tom Hogue- completed ▪ ODOT - Lead: Bill Ryan - completed ▪ OHCS - Lead: Bob Gillespie ▪ ODA - Lead: Ray Jandl <p>Completed by: Sept 2006?</p> <p>*Question: Do we expand scope to include non-ERT agencies such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Health Division ▪ DAS ▪ Corrections ▪ State Parks ▪ OWEB
<p>2. The information on wetlands currently available through the National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) is often not adequate for local planning and development needs, particularly in agriculture intensive areas.</p>	<p>Improve the quality of the information currently available at the local level of wetland constraints.</p>	<p>2A-Task: Increase the number of local wetlands inventories (LWI) by increasing dedicated funds for Goal 9 economic development technical assistance to local government, which includes an evaluation of development constraints such as wetlands. Lead: Tom Hogue (DLCDD)</p> <p>2B-Task: Seek funding for targeted implementation of DSL’s current statutory authority for statewide wetland inventory development. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL)</p> <p>2C-Task: Identify candidate community(ies) interested in developing LWIs and/or piloting Wetlands Conservation Planning (WCP) at the individual and/or regional level (LWIs are first step in developing WCP). Lead: ERT coordinators and regional ERTs</p>
	<p>Increase awareness of wetlands at the local government level</p>	<p>2D-Task: Due to limited staffing capacity, DSL will continue to provide trainings on wetlands to local governments and supporting organizations on an “as requested and as available” basis. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL)</p> <p>2E-Task: If additional wetlands positions are approved by the Governor and the Legislature, DSL will develop a more proactive outreach effort on wetland identification, notification and planning for the 2007-09 biennium. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL)</p>

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<p>3. Many of the large undeveloped industrially zoned sites (particularly, but not exclusively in the Willamette Valley) are substantially constrained by wetlands.</p>	<p>Create a stable and diverse supply of high quality mitigation credits, including but not limited to wetlands, TMDLS, riparian and habitat credits.</p> <p><i>Policy question: Will state seek to support a primarily private sector banking system OR seek to compete in the private marketplace?</i></p>	<p>3A-Task: Research North Carolina Mitigation Credits Resale Program and outline recommendation of what could work for Oregon. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL)</p> <p>3B-Task: Conduct outreach to existing and prospective wetland bankers to gain buy-in and support for enhancements to existing wetland banking program, as they are identified. Lead: Kirk Jarvie and Dana Field (DSL)</p> <p>3C-Task: Conduct outreach to cities and counties to gain feedback and support for enhancements to existing wetland banking program. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL) and ERT regional coordinators</p> <p>4D-Task: Enhance wetland banking criteria to encourage high quality mitigation credits Lead: Dana Field (DSL)</p> <p>4E-Task: Partner with the Willamette Partnerships to develop a multi-functional conservation banking pilot Lead: Mike Wolf (DEQ)</p> <p>4F-Task: Identify changes to statute and DSL rules to allow for third party buying and reselling of mitigation credits. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL)</p> <p>4G-Task: Identify changes to statute to allow OECD to fund/finance private mitigation activities, including but not limited to wetlands, TMDLS, riparian and habitat credits. Lead: Susan Aldrich? Lynn Beaton? (OECD)</p> <p>4H-Task: Explore if there is an appropriate role for the Common School Fund (CSF) and/or Payment-to-Provide account to play in incenting wetlands banking as a strategic investment for long-term fund growth. Lead: Kirk Jarvie (DSL)</p>
<p>4. Communities find it difficult and expensive to balance sometimes conflicting economic, environmental and land use goals and rules.</p>	<p>Reduce Wetland – Land Use Conflicts</p>	<p>5A-Task: Incorporate an evaluation of wetlands into the Goal 14 (Urbanization) rule making process currently underway to ensure that wetlands are evaluated for industrial lands that are part of an Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) expansion. Lead: Tom Hogue and Bob Rindy (DLCD) Date: September 2006</p> <p>5B-Task: Identify priority areas to receive technical assistance funding for Goal 9 Economic Opportunity Analyses [EOAs] to resolve employment land supply issues such as industrially zoned land with significant wetland constraints. Lead: Tom Hogue and Steven Santos (DLCD)</p>