

## **January 21-22, 2009 OWEB Board Meeting Executive Director Update #D6: 2007-2009 Oregon Plan Biennial Report**

### **Background**

ORS 541.405, states that by January 15 of each odd-numbered year the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board must submit a report to the Governor and to the appropriate committee or committees of the Legislative Assembly that assesses the statewide and regional implementation and effectiveness of the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds. The report must address each drainage basin in the state and include watershed and key habitat conditions, an assessment of data and information needs, an overview of state agency programs and voluntary restoration activities, a summary of Board investments, and recommendations of the Board for enhancing Oregon Plan effectiveness in each basin.

### **2007-2009 Oregon Plan Biennial Report**

The 2007-2009 Biennial Report follows the same general format of the 2001-2003, 2003-2005, and 2005-2007 reports. The core of the report is a section of two-page layouts for each of the 15 Oregon Plan basins that reports basin statistics, completed and reported restoration projects, restoration issues, and investments. Also incorporated into the basin reports section is a single project story and photo to highlight the types and range of restoration projects and partnerships across the state.

The 2007-2009 report is organized differently than past reports, in that it starts with an executive summary and a more thorough explanation about the Oregon Plan before describing the specific voluntary restoration, agency action, monitoring, and science oversight elements of the Plan. Following the Oregon Plan elements, the report for the first time specifically includes a section describing OWEB and its Oregon Plan and voluntary restoration investment roles. The Board observations and recommendations for improving implementation of the Oregon Plan, developed by staff and the Board co-chairs with Board review, are included at the front of the 2007-2009 report with the executive summary.

Copies of the report will be available at the January Board meeting. Additional content, including additional agency actions and project photos, will be available on OWEB's website ([www.oregon.gov/OWEB](http://www.oregon.gov/OWEB)) by mid-January.

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