

APPROVED BY THE BOARD JUNE 2, 2010
Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

March 16, 2010
OWEB Board Meeting
Hood River, Oregon

Minutes

OWEB Members Present

Dan Carver
Dan Heagerty
John Jackson
Jim Johnson
Kim Kratz
Jose Linares
Meta Loftsgaarden
Jennifer Phillippi
Dave Powers
Eric Quaempts
Patricia Smith
Diane Snyder
Dan Thorndike
Karl Wenner
Ken Williamson

OWEB Staff Present

Bonnie Ashford
Lauri Aunan
Ken Bierly
Tom Byler
Rick Craiger
Renee Davis-Born
Carolyn Devine
Sue Greer
Mark Grenbemer
Wendy Hudson
Melissa Leoni
Tom Shafer
Courtney Shaff
Greg Sieglitz

Others Present

Jerry Wilcox
Kelly Weideman
Wayne Hoffman
Liz Vollmer-Buhl
Alan Henning
Cheryl McGinnis
Mike Weinberg
Kate Merrick
Jim Myron
Ryan Houston
Charlie Boyer
Anne MacDonald
Coleen Coleman
Chris Hagerbaumer
Joshua Uriarte
Brian Wolcott
Gregg Smith
Erik Christy
Jennie Klein
Deb Marriott
Erik and Goretti Christy
Dale Waddell
Laura Brophy
Anne Saxby
Steve Stampfli

Members Not Present

Miles Brown
Skip Klarquist

Board Co-Chairs Diane Snyder and Dan Heagerty announced that this would be the last meeting for Board members Dave Powers and Jose Linares and thanked them for their service on the Board.

A. Board Member Comments

Representatives on the OWEB Board commented on recent activities and issues facing their respective agencies and areas.

B. Minutes

Minutes of the January 20-21, 2010, Board meeting in Coos Bay were unanimously approved.

C. Executive Director Update

Executive Director, Tom Byler, briefly reported on the following program updates:

1. Biennial Conference

OWEB's 11th Biennial Conference will be held November 15-17, 2010, at the Pendleton Convention Center. Staff are working with Board member Eric Quaempts on a visit to the Tamástslíkt Cultural Institute and planning a traditional Longhouse dinner for conference participants.

2. Partnerships

The Whole Watershed Restoration Initiative (WWRI) has received the U.S. Forest Service 2009 Chief's Honor Award for its success in improving habitat for salmon and other wildlife. The initiative is jointly managed by OWEB, Ecotrust, the U.S. Forest Service, and NOAA Fisheries.

3. Oregon Climate Change Adaptation Plan

Greg Sieglitz, Monitoring and Reporting Program Manager, is representing OWEB on a inter-agency work group charged with developing a framework for an Oregon Climate Change Adaptation Plan. OWEB is one of the key state agencies assigned by the Governor to be involved in this effort.

4. Oregon Plan Biennial Report

OWEB staff have begun planning the content and production elements of the 2009-2011 Oregon Plan Biennial Report. Staff plan to produce a print document, but are discussing how to pare down the content included in the print version while enhancing the amount of data, information, and stories made available on the Oregon Plan web site. The report is due to the Governor and appropriate legislative committees by January 15, 2011.

5. Small Grant Program Evaluation

OAR 695-35-0070 directs OWEB to review reports submitted by the Small Grant Teams and evaluate the need for program improvements and administrative rule changes once a biennium. Program staff are completing site/listening tours in each region, and will prepare a final report for the June Board meeting.

6. Strategic Plan Update

The content of OWEB's strategic plan was adopted by the Board at the January Board meeting. At the Board's direction, staff are reviewing the language in the adopted plan for consistency, improving the look and feel of the document, and are drafting language to strengthen the introductory section. The final document should be completed by the June Board meeting.

7. Working Lands Conservation Easements Contract

Staff submitted a Request for Proposals to compile policy and program information and stakeholder perspectives to help OWEB better determine how its funding can be used for working lands conservation easements that provide long-term economic benefits for landowners in a manner consistent with the Oregon Constitution and OWEB's mission and statutes. James Fox, Ph.D. was selected as the contractor. A report will be presented at the Board's September 2010 or January 2011 meeting.

8. Watershed Council Listening Sessions

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager, briefed Board members on Watershed Council Listening Sessions held in each region in February and March. Jim Owens of Cogan Owens Cogan was hired as a contractor to facilitate the listening sessions and provide OWEB with a final report. A total of 53 councils were represented at the sessions. The contractor is preparing a report to be completed in mid-April that will summarize the responses gathered through the listening sessions and an online anonymous survey. OWEB program staff have convened a work group of watershed council representatives and council support reviewers to streamline and simplify the council support application form.

9. Restoration Priorities

Goal 1, Strategy 1, Action 2 of the OWEB Strategic Plan directs staff to develop restoration priorities and integrate recovery plans and the Oregon Conservation Strategy. Staff have met with ODFW and DEQ to develop a work plan to create an effective crosswalk between the recovery plans, Conservation Strategy, and restoration priorities. Staff will continue to update Board members as this effort progresses.

10. CREP Technical Assistance

A work group was established to review the distribution and approach to providing technical assistance for CREP. The work group includes the Farm Service Agency, NRCS, OACD, and ODA. The work group expects to have an analysis for the Board to consider at the June Board meeting that will be used for the 2011-2013 biennium.

D. Dam Removal Monitoring

Greg Sieglitz, Monitoring and Reporting Program Manager, was joined by Dr. Desiree Tullos, Oregon State University, to present effectiveness monitoring results from recent dam removal projects in Oregon. The results indicate that rivers in the West respond quite differently to dam removal than rivers in the East. The presentation contained information about the preliminary results from the last two years of monitoring at Brownsville Dam on the Calapooia River, Savage Rapids Dam on the Rogue River, Marmot Dam on the Sandy River and Chiloquin Dam on the Sprague River. Important findings related to sediment movement, habitat changes, river flows, and fish utilization were presented to the Board. These projects are in their early stages and will need to continue in order to realize the most significant findings in out-years. These data will be used to inform the development of future dam removal projects.

E. Public Comment – Pending Grant Applications

- Kelly Weideman, Malheur WC, and Jerry Wilcox, Willow Creek WC, provided a progress report for the staged grant award for application 210-5021 (Willow Creek Water Quality Improvement Phase II).
- Erik Christy and Wayne Hoffman, Mid-Coast WC, supported application 210-1045 (Alsea Bummer Creek Project), which was not recommended for funding by the Regional Review Team and OWEB staff.
- Application 210-6045 (Bates Pond Technical Assistance) which was recommended for funding by the Regional Review Team and not recommended for funding by OWEB staff.

Supported

Jim Myron, Native Fish Society

Scott Turo and Brian Cochran, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

Opposed

Judge Mark Webb, Grant County

Gregg Smith, Friends of Bates State Park

- Ryan Houston, Upper Deschutes WC, supported application 210-4035, which was recommended for funding by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line.
- Chris Hagerbaumer, Oregon Environmental Council, supported application 210-7001 (Love Your River Education and Outreach Campaign), which was recommended for funding by the Education/Outreach Review Team, but fell below the funding line.
- Kate Merrick, Wasco County WC, supported application 210-4024 (Aquifer Recovery Planning for Streamflow Restoration) which was recommended 5 of 6 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line.
- Joshua Uriarte, Baker Valley SWCD, supported application 210-5045 (McEwen Valley Fish Passage Restoration) which was recommended 13 of 22 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line.
- Debrah Marriott and Jenny Cline, Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership, supported application 210-3031 (Willamette Watershed Stewardship Project) which was recommended 6 of 6 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line.
- Brian Wolcott, Walla Walla Basin WC, briefly explained application 210-6043 (Walla Walla Basin Aquifer Replenishment and Stream Restoration Program) and thanked OWEB and the Regional Review Team for their support.

F. Board Consideration of Pending Grant Applications

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager, provided Board members an overview of the October 19, 2009, grant cycle. Two hundred and twenty-six grant applications seeking a total of \$21,980,489 were received.

The following identifies the number of applications received by application type and the amount of OWEB funds requested:

Technical Assistance	31	\$ 1,070,984
Monitoring	28	\$ 2,459,011
Education	38	\$ 1,076,451
Acquisition	2	\$ 848,761
Restoration	<u>127</u>	<u>\$16,525,282</u>
TOTAL	226	\$21,980,489

After being screened for eligibility and completeness, the applications were sent to the appropriate review teams, who made recommendations to OWEB staff regarding “fund” or “no fund” for individual projects on their merit and numerically ranked the projects recommended for funding. OWEB staff then developed funding recommendations for Board consideration. The funding recommendations are based on funding availability, the rankings of the reviewers, and staff’s evaluation of reviewer recommendations.

Since the Board has not established an overall spending plan or set capital and non-capital funding targets for each grant cycle in the 2009-2011 biennium, staff recommendations for this cycle were developed as a “stand alone” funding allocation. Budgets for future grant cycles will depend on the Board’s spending plan and strategic plan, as well as funding availability, which is uncertain given the State’s budget situation and economic climate.

Statewide Education Applications

Staff recommended funding one of the three applications submitted this grant cycle. Based on the Education and Outreach Team evaluations and staff consideration of the evaluations, staff recommended funding 210-7003, On-line Watershed Stewardship, at a reduced level of \$60,000. Staff will work with SOLV, who submitted application 210-7002, to explore local capacity funding.

Board members unanimously approved the funding award for 210-7003 at \$60,000. Board members directed staff to work with the Oregon Environmental Council (application 210-7001) to explore the role of OEC and other organizations in implementing the OWEB Strategic Communication Plan.

Staged Awards

The following two grants received staged funding awards in September 2009, and staff recommended the Board fund Phase II of the projects.

Application 210-2032 (Bandon Marsh Restoration)

In September 2009, staff recommended full funding for the restoration portion of the Bandon Marsh project and partial funding of the effectiveness monitoring component (\$979,265).

Under the staged award, the Board awarded \$500,000 with \$479,265 to be awarded in March 2010 on the condition of receiving a progress report on the status of the project.

Application 210-2054 (Ni-les'tun (Bandon Marsh) Tidal Wetlands Restoration Effectiveness Monitoring) was submitted in the October 2009 grant cycle, and was not recommended for funding by the Regional Review Team; however the Regional Review Team wanted OWEB to work with the applicant to determine what monitoring should occur. Because 210-2054 proposed effectiveness monitoring for a funded restoration project, it is eligible for capital funding. Therefore, after working with the applicant, staff recommended awarding an additional \$69,500 in capital funds to the \$479,265, already reserved for 210-2032, making the total Phase II award \$548,765 in capital funds.

Application 210-5021 (Willow Creek Water Quality Improvement Phase I)

In September 2009, staff recommended funding the Willow Creek project in two stages; \$322,142 in September 2009, and the remaining \$322,142 in March 2010 on the condition of receiving a progress report on the status of the project.

Board members unanimously approved the award of the second stage of funding for 210-2032 and 210-5021 as shown in the revised Attachment C to the Overview staff report.

Acquisition Applications

Two new land acquisition applications were received during the October 2009 grant cycle. The Board Acquisition Subcommittee reviewed the applications before regional review team evaluation of the ecological merit and recommended whether staff should proceed with due diligence review.

Both applications received this cycle are recommended for deferral, and there are no other previously deferred acquisitions ready for a funding decision.

REGION 1, NORTH COAST

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager
Tom Shafer, Regional Program Representative
Ken Bierly, Acquisitions

Ken Bierly briefly described the two land acquisition applications received in this cycle and noted that they are recommended for deferral.

Application 210-106, Nehalem Bay Wetlands Conservation Project Phase II; and
Application 210-107, Lewis & Clark River Habitat Conservation Project.

Board members discussed application 210-1045, Bummer Creek Habitat Enhancement Phase II, which was brought up during the Public Comment period.

REGION 2, SOUTHWEST OREGON

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager
Mark Grenbemer, Regional Program Representative

Lauri Aunan provided an overview of the Region 2 funding recommendations as presented in the staff report.

REGION 3, WILLAMETTE BASIN

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager
Wendy Hudson Regional Program Representative

Lauri Aunan briefed Board members on 210-3067, Sodom Ditch-Calapooia River Fish Passage Improvement projects, as the “big ticket” item submitted this cycle in Region 3. Due to the amount of funding requested, staff recommended staged funding, with partial funding now (\$368,300), and the remainder in September 2010 (\$320,035) for a total grant award of \$688,335.

Board members discussed 210-3031, Willamette Watershed Stewardship Project, which was ranked 6 of 6 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line. Board members asked the applicant if they could take \$20,000 less funding due to the limited availability of non-capital funds.

REGION 4, CENTRAL OREGON

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager
Rick Craiger, Regional Program Representative

Board members discussed 210-4024, Aquifer Recovery Planning for Streamflow Restoration, which was ranked 5 of 6 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line.

Board members discussed 210-4035, Student Stewardship Projects, which was ranked 5 of 9 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line. Board members asked the applicant if they could take less funding due to the limited availability of non-capital funds.

REGION 5, EASTERN OREGON

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager

Board members discussed 210-5045, McEwen Valley Fish Passage Restoration, which was ranked 14 of 22 by the Regional Review Team, but fell below the funding line.

REGION 6, MID COLUMBIA

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager

Sue Greer, Regional Program Representative

Due to the public comment received, Board members discussed 210-6045, Technical Evaluation of Aquatic Conservation Options at Bates Pond, which was recommended for funding by the Regional Review Team, but not recommended for funding by OWEB staff.

Capital Funding

Following the staff presentation for each region, the Board expressed support for funding the following capital funding applications that staff did not recommend for funding:

210-1045, Bummer Creek Habitat Enhancement Project at \$56,000; and

210-5045, McEwen Valley Fish Passage Restoration, at \$84,740.

Board members discussion centered around reduced state lottery revenues this biennium and whether additional projects should be funded because applicants provided public comment at the meeting.

A motion to fund projects recommended by staff in Section IIIA of the March 12 staff report, with the addition of 210-1045 and 210-5045 failed with three nays.

A second motion to fund projects recommended by staff in Section III.A of the March 12 staff report, with the addition of 210-1045 for \$56,000, was passed with two nays.

Non-capital funding

Following the staff presentation for each region, the Board discussed whether to fund any additional non-capital applications that staff did not recommend for funding.

Board member discussion centered around the reduced state lottery revenues this biennium and whether or not additional projects should be funded to applicants who provided public comment at the meeting.

A motion to fund projects recommended by staff in Section III.B of the March 12 staff report, with no addition was passed with two nays.

At the conclusion of the day's meeting, OWEB Board members, staff, and local partners toured projects in the Hood River Basin led by the Hood River Watershed Group and its partners. OWEB Board members, staff, and invited guests returned to the Hood River Inn for an informal reception.

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Others Present

Tom Stahl
Brad Nye
Denise Ker
Dian Hilliard
Mike Weinberg
Ryan Houston
Tod Heisler

Members Not Present

Miles Brown

Board members discussed the process used for making grant award decisions on grants that were not recommended for funding by the regional review teams and/or staff based on public comment provided at the meeting, especially with the state's current budget situation. Board members asked staff to emphasize available grant funds in the Overview staff report.

A motion to revisit the decision not to fund additional non-capital applications from Agenda Item F at the March 16 meeting, failed.

G. Budget and Legislative

Tom Byler, Executive Director, briefed Board members on the outcome of the February 2010 legislative session, which did not affect OWEB other than SB 1014, a housekeeping bill that eliminated the now defunct Healthy Streams Partnership and Joint Salmon Legislative Committee; however the bill was not signed by the Governor and did not go into effect.

Director Byler briefed Board members on the 2011-2013 Legislative Concept development process. OWEB has been requested to submit a "placeholder" legislative concept on behalf of the SB 513 Work Group relating to ecosystem services markets. A placeholder concept preserves the Work Group's options should they decide to introduce a concept later in the process.

Board members unanimously approved to authorize staff to submit a placeholder legislative concept to the Department of Administrative Services related to ecosystem services.

Director Byler discussed the development of OWEB's 2011-2013 Agency Request Budget and presented the following estimated timeline.

- March 2010 OWEB Board sets out budget guidance principles for staff
- March-May 2010 Staff develop budget proposals based on Board principles
- June 2010 OWEB Board discussion of draft Policy Packages
- June-July 2010 Finalize agency Policy Packages
- September 2010 Submit full Agency Request Budget document

After submittal, the Governor reviews the Agency Request Budget and may make changes based on the Governor's priorities and the status of the state budget situation. The Governor's Recommended Budget is submitted to the Legislature in 2011. The Legislature then hears and considers the Governor's Recommended Budget for OWEB and may make additional changes based on priorities and the current budget situation.

A Board Budget Subcommittee was created to work with Director Byler and OWEB's managers to develop guidance and principles around OWEB's Agency Request Budget using the newly adopted Strategic Plan goals as the foundation. Subcommittee members include Board Co-Chairs Dan Heagerty and Diane Snyder, Karl Wenner, Meta Loftsgaarden, Kim Kratz, Dan Thorndike, and Skip Klarquist.

OWEB staff have not been advised on the final amount of federal Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Funds the agency will receive for FFY 2010. Staff are also unsure of what effect the loss of General Funds will have on other natural resource agency backfill needs. An updated 2009-2011 Spending Plan for capital and non-capital funds, as well as the Lottery Long-Term Forecast, were provided as a staff report attachment. As the Lottery Forecast is updated, staff will provide it to the Board.

H. Deschutes Special Investment Partnership Discussion

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, was joined by Ryan Houston, Upper Deschutes Watershed Council; Tod Heisler, Deschutes River Conservancy; and Brad Nye, Deschutes Land Trust; to update Board members on the partnerships developed in the Deschutes Basin. Their presentation highlighted the Whychus Creek at Camp Polk project funded as part of the Deschutes SIP. The Board was provided a biennial summary of accomplishments.

I. Public Comment – General

- Tom O'Brien, Network of Oregon Watershed Councils, and Greg Sieglitz, Monitoring and Reporting Program Manager, discussed a potential partnership involving the establishment of language that would be easy to understand by a non-scientific audience and methods for reporting on incremental conservation achievements. This partnership will grow over the summer and future reports will be provided to the Board.

J. Ecosystem Services Update

Renee Davis-Born, Ecosystem Services Coordinator, provided updates on the following:

OWEB Research Project on Ecosystem Services

In August 2009, OWEB contracted with Ecosystem Services LLC and Ecotrust to investigate how traditional OWEB restoration and acquisition projects may provide ecosystem services and how these investments may converge with ecosystem services markets. Phase I of a three-phase study has been completed. Phase II to evaluate potential market opportunities for OWEB-funded projects is underway. Phase III involves the use of pilot projects to demonstrate the steps necessary to create market-ready projects. Two pilot efforts have been identified. Final results from this contract will be reported at the June Board meeting with the final report due in mid-June.

SB 513 Working Group

The Working Group has met three times since December 2009. They divided into four subgroups around four identified priority policy areas, and will report back to the group as a whole on their findings.

1. Overarching ecological, economic, and integration goals to guide the development of integrated ecosystem services markets in Oregon;
2. Agency processes and interactions to address appropriate roles at local, regional, state and national scales;
3. Public/private financing issues; and
4. Private and government roles in developing standards, methodologies, metrics and tools.

The Working Group will provide a final report to the Sustainability Board in November 2010, and will continue to brief Board members at the June and September meetings.

J-1 Pilot Project Proposal: Ecosystem Services Markets in the Willamette Basin

The Willamette Partnership and The Freshwater Trust have asked OWEB to partner on a proposal to the 2010 U.S. Department of Agriculture Conservation Innovation Grant program of the Natural Resources Conservation Service. The proposal will request funding to implement a pilot market for ecosystem services in the Willamette Basin. OWEB would participate in order to encourage the involvement of private investors by using grant funds as a backstop to minimize financial risk for investors if the market fails to appear.

Board members discussed the potential investors (developers, municipalities, foundations, and other private entities), the amount of risk involved for OWEB, the importance of the terms in the grant agreement, the uncertainty of the use of credits, the amount of funding that could be involved and what funding source, the timing of the proposal, whether or not this is OWEB's role, and staffing for the project. Board member Meta Loftsgaarden, NRCS, who also supports the proposal, stated that the Willamette Partnership is one of three leaders at the national level in ecosystem services. Board members agreed to support this pilot project in concept for the purposes of the Willamette Partnership and The Freshwater Trust submitting a pre-proposal to NRCS for a Conservation Innovation Grant.

K. OWEB Communications Products

Tom Byler, Executive Director, and Carolyn Devine, Communications Coordinator, updated Board members on development of communications products under the Strategic and Communications Plan. Staff have moved forward on a number of key action items.

A. Portal Site and OWEB Web Site

Updates have been made on the agency's main web site, and the portal site (formerly called the microsite), www.oregonwatersheds.org will be launched soon.

B. Messaging and PowerPoint Presentation

Staff have contracted with Gard Communications to further refine messages and tools to help OWEB improve its communications infrastructure. Staff will work over the summer with grantees and stakeholders around the state to start utilizing these messages as part of local outreach efforts. Staff are also working on a simple PowerPoint presentation to be used for groups not familiar with OWEB.

C. Agency Coordination

Over the next months, staff plan to work with other natural resource agencies on communications, messaging, and reporting results from collective investments in watershed and habitat restoration and conservation. The work will inform the 2009-2011 Oregon Plan Biennial Report that is due to the Governor and legislators in January 2011, and other communications efforts.

D. Social Media

Staff are evaluating the use of social media web sites as a communications tool. The Department of Administrative Services has recently developed guidelines for agency use of websites such as Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter. Staff are considering many factors and will keep the Board apprised of the evaluation.

E. Other Communications Efforts

In light of the possible November 2010 ballot measure to renew the Parks and Natural Resources Fund, OWEB staff are preparing for information requests that may come from the public and media about programs supported with dedicated lottery funds. An all staff customer service and communications training session is scheduled in April.

Biennial Conference

Denise Ker and Dian Hilliard, from Viva! Consult, introduced themselves. Staff have contracted with them for OWEB's November 15-17, 2010, Biennial Conference in Pendleton. They are working with a current \$40,000 budget, but are hoping to get more sponsors for the conference.

L. Mid-Columbia Steelhead Conservation and Recovery Plan

This item was postponed until a later date.

M. Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement

Sue Knapp, Governor's Natural Resources Office, updated the Board on the status of the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement. There was discussion about the importance of OWEB funding in the Klamath Basin as well as a possible special investment partnership.

N. Other Business

Coastal Wetlands Grants

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, provided an update on the recent 2010 Coastal Wetlands Grant award from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to fund a coastal wetlands acquisition project (the Nehalem Bay project). The federal grant is for \$994,290 with OWEB match of \$583,761.

After consultation with the Board Acquisition Subcommittee, staff requested due diligence materials from the applicant, the Lower Nehalem Community Trust on the OWEB grant application. Board authorization is required for staff to enter into the federal grant agreement for the project. This will allow the applicant to proceed with OWEB's due diligence requirements. After receipt and review of the due diligence materials, staff will ask the Board for the state match amount.

Board members unanimously approved the delegation of authority to the Director to enter into a grant agreement for the \$994,290 in USFWS 2010 Coastal Wetlands Grant funds for the Nehalem Bay Wetlands Conservation Project Phase II.

The USFWS is requesting applications for the 2011 Coastal Wetlands Grant Program. Staff solicited project concepts to coastal land conservation groups and expect to receive at least two project concepts. Applications received will be reviewed by the regional review team, Board Acquisition Subcommittee, and staff. Applicants will be selected based on their review and those determined to be most consistent with the Coastal Wetlands Grant funding criteria. OWEB also needs to seek legislative approval to apply for the federal grant during the May 24-27, 2010, Legislative Interim Committee Days.

Board members unanimously authorized the Director to request legislative approval to submit 2011 Coastal Wetlands Grant applications to USFWS, based on recommendations of the Board Acquisition Subcommittee.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.