



# Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

## Meeting Agenda

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Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board  
January 18-19, 2012

Hallmark Resort  
744 SW Elizabeth Street, Newport

*Wednesday, January 18, 2012*

*Business Meeting - 8:00 a.m.*

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**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. Board Co-Chair Election**

The current term of Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Co-Chair Dan Thorndike ends in January 2012. Co-Chair Quaeempts will lead a discussion and vote by Board members to elect one Board Co-Chair position for a new two-year term. *Action item.*

**C. Review and Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the following meetings will be presented for Board approval. *Action item.*

- July 14, 2011, Special Board meeting via teleconference; and
- September 13-14, 2011, Board meeting in Roseburg.

**D. Legislative and Budget Report**

Tom Byler, Executive Director, and Melissa Leoni, Senior Policy Coordinator, will update the Board on the 2011-2013 OWEB budget, the upcoming 2012 legislative session, and agency activities in preparation for the 2013 legislative session. *Information item.*

**E. 2011-2013 Spending Plan and Grant Cycles - Public Comment and Board Consideration of Options**

**[Background at 9:30 a.m.; Public Comment at 10:45 a.m.]**

Prior to hearing public comment, Tom Byler, Executive Director, will provide background information on the proposed spending plan for the biennium. The Board has reserved time for public comment on the spending plan. The Board will not accept any written materials at this time. Any written comments pertaining to the proposed spending plan must be received by agency staff by the January 10, 2012, deadline. After hearing public comment, Director Byler will lead a discussion with the Board on the proposed spending plan. *Action item.*

**F. Public Comment - General [1:00 p.m.]**

This time is reserved for public comment on any matter before the Board.

**G. 2011-2013 Transition Biennium Priorities and Work Plans**

Tom Byler, Executive Director, will lead a discussion with the Board on work plans to implement agency priorities over the biennium. *Information item.*

**H. Executive Director Update**

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

**I. Local Partner Presentations**

Representatives of local watershed and conservation organizations have been invited to give presentations to the Board. *Information item.*

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***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.*

*Immediately following the meeting until 6:00 p.m.  
D Deck Promenade  
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**J. Integrated Water Resource Strategy**

John Jackson, Chair of the Water Resources Commission, will update the Board on the integrated water resource strategy and lead a discussion with the Board on the public comment draft of the strategy. *Information item.*

**K. Land and Water Acquisition Program**

Staff will request Board action on the land acquisition grant program, including the acceptance of applications for the remainder of the biennium and proposed actions to address the backlog of applications and focus of the program. *Action item.*

**L. Land Acquisition Grant Awards – Coastal Wetlands Grants and Deferred Acquisitions**

Staff will request Board action on two land acquisition transactions that have been previously deferred for consideration of due diligence materials and a delegation of authority to the director to award federal funds for three Coastal Wetlands grants. *Action item.*

**M. Governor's Office**

Brett Brownscombe, Governor's Natural Resources Policy Advisor, will update the Board on the Governor's natural resource priorities and the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds. *Information item.*

**N. Forest Health Issues**

Greg Sieglitz, Monitoring and Reporting Program Manager, and Brett Brownscombe, Governor's Natural Resources Policy Advisor, will introduce a proposal from The Nature Conservancy and Oregon Solutions requesting funding to support local forest collaborative watershed restoration activities and statewide coordination efforts. *Action item.*

**O. Partnership Program**

Staff will update the Board the status of existing and proposed partnership programs and request funding for the remainder of the biennium consistent with the decisions made in the spending plan. *Action item.*

**P. Watershed Council Support Update**

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager, and Courtney Shaff, Grant Program Coordinator, will lead a discussion on the Watershed Council Support Work Group concept in preparation for proposed Board action at the March 2012 Board meeting. *Information item.*

**Q. Public Comment [approximately 3:00 p.m.]**

This time is reserved for public comment on any matter before the Board.

**R. 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 Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

**\*\*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 general public comment period will be held on Wednesday, January 18 at 1:00 p.m. and Thursday, January 19 at 3:00 p.m. for any matter before the Board. Comments relating to a specific agenda item may be heard by the Board as each agenda item is considered. People wishing to speak to the Board are asked to fill out a comment request sheet (available at the information table). *The Board encourages persons to limit comments to no more than five minutes.*

**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

Board of Agriculture member: *Doug Krahmer*  
Environmental Quality Commission member: *Ken Williamson*  
Fish and Wildlife Commission member: *Skip Klarquist*  
Board of Forestry member: *Jennifer Phillippi*  
Water Resources Commission member: *John Jackson*  
Public member (tribal): *Eric Quaempts, Board Co-Chair*  
Public member: *Lisa Phipps*  
Public member: *Will Neuhauser*  
Public member: *Patricia Smith*  
Public member: *Dan Thorndike, Board Co-Chair*  
Public member: *Karl Wenner*

### Non-voting Members

Representative of NMFS: *Kim Kratz*  
Representative of Oregon State University Extension Service: *James Johnson*  
Representative of U.S. Forest Service: *Debbie Hollen*  
Representative of U.S. BLM: *Michael Haske*  
Representative of U.S. NRCS: *Vacant*  
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### 2012-2013 Board Meeting Schedule

Due to budget considerations, we are re-assessing scheduled Board meeting locations.

March 13-14, 2012 in Salem  
June 12-13, 2012  
September 11-12, 2012

January 16-17, 2013  
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September 10-11, 2013

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