



Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board
Meeting Agenda
October 24-25

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Best Western Premier Boulder Falls Inn and Conference Center
Room A
505 Mullins Drive
Lebanon, OR 97355
Directions: <http://www.boulderfallsinn.com/location>

Business Meeting – 8:00 a.m.

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A. Board Member Comments (8:10 a.m.)

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 community conservation-related topics. *Information item.*

B. Review and Approval of Minutes (8:40 a.m.)

The minutes of the July 24-26, 2017 meeting in Boardman will be presented for approval. *Action item.*

C. Board Subcommittee Updates (8:45 a.m.)

Representatives from the Executive, Focused Investments, Monitoring, and Open Solicitation subcommittees will provide updates on subcommittee topics to the full board. *Information item.*

D. Public Comment (9:05 a.m.)

This time is reserved for general public comment, as well as other matters before the board.

E. Spring 2017 Open Solicitation Grant Offering (9:35 a.m.)

NOTE: Public Comment at approximately 11:05 a.m.

Introduction

Prior to hearing public comment, Grant Program Manager Eric Williams and OWEB Regional Program Representatives will provide background information on the Spring 2017 Open Solicitation grant offering.

Public Comment [approximately 11:05 a.m.]

This time is reserved for public comment on pending restoration and technical assistance grant applications to be considered for funding by the board. Only comments pertaining to these specific grant applications will be accepted during this portion of the meeting. The board will not accept any written materials at this time. Any written comments pertaining to pending grant proposals must be received by agency staff by the October 18, 2017 deadline. ***The board encourages speakers to limit comments to three to five minutes.***

Board Consideration of Pending Open Solicitation Grant Applications

The Board will consider grant applications submitted through the Spring 2017 Open Solicitation grant offering. Proposals, supporting materials, and funding recommendations will be discussed and acted on by the Board. *Action item.*

F. Winter Lake Restoration Project Funding Request (2:00 p.m.)

Grant Program Manager Eric Williams, Partnerships Coordinator Jillian McCarthy, and Region Two Program Representative Mark Grenbemer will update the board on the status of the Winter Lake restoration project and request the board award additional funding for the project. *Action item.*

G. OWEB Strategic Plan Update (2:30 p.m.)

Executive Director Meta Loftsgaarden will update the board on the status of the OWEB Strategic Plan that is currently under development. *Information item.*

H. Executive Director's Update (3:00 p.m.)

Executive Director Meta Loftsgaarden will update the board on agency business and late-breaking issues. *Information item.*

Tour – 3:30 p.m.

The OWEB Board and staff will participate in a field tour of a riparian restoration project along a tributary to the South Santiam River, which is associated with the Willamette Model Watershed Program. The tour will be leaving from the Best Western Premier Boulder Falls Inn and Conference Center. Anyone is welcome to join the tour, but please be prepared to provide your own transportation and be prepared for inclement weather.

Informal Reception – 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

The public is invited to join the OWEB Board and staff at a reception sponsored by local partners and stakeholders.

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Wednesday, October 25, 2017**Business Meeting - 8:00 a.m.**

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I. Public Comment (8:00 a.m.)

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J. Focused Investment Partnership (FIP) - Capacity Building Grant Awards (8:15 a.m.)

NOTE: Public Comment at approximately 8:25 a.m.

Capacity Coordinator Courtney Shaff will update the board on the FIP Capacity Building program and the 2017-2019 grant solicitation offering. Following public comment, the board will consider the 2017-2019 FIP Capacity grant awards. The board will also consider authorizing an additional grant offering during the current biennium. *Action item.*

K. FIP Gathering (9:05 a.m.)

Capacity Coordinator Courtney Shaff will request the board amend an existing grant with the Bonneville Environmental Foundation to award funds to host a gathering for FIP Implementation and Capacity Building grantees. *Action item.*

L. Strategic Implementation Areas and Coordinated Streamside Management (9:20 a.m.)

Executive Director Meta Loftsgaarden, Capacity Coordinator Courtney Shaff and representatives from the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) will provide a presentation to the board on updates to ODA's Strategic Implementation Areas and the Coordinated Streamside Management Partnership (formerly the Clean Water Partnership). *Information item.*

M. FIP Rulemaking Update (10:20 a.m.)

Grant Program Manager Eric Williams and Senior Policy Coordinator Eric Hartstein will update the board on the FIP rulemaking process. *Information item.*

N. Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program (10:35 a.m.)

NOTE: Public Comment at approximately 10:45 a.m.

Executive Director Meta Loftsgaarden and Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program Project Manager Nellie McAdams will update the board on the Oregon Agriculture Heritage Program and request approval to initiate rulemaking. *Action item.*

- O. Focused Investment Partnership (FIP) Update – Implementation (11:25 a.m.)**
Deputy Director Renee Davis, Bonneville Environmental Foundation Model Watershed Program Director Robert Warren, and Upper Deschutes Watershed Council Executive Director Ryan Houston will update the board on monitoring efforts associated with the six Implementation FIPs. *Information item.*

- P. Other Business (12:25 p.m.)**
 1. Grant Program Manager Eric Williams will update the board on due diligence for the Mountcrest Working Forest Conservation Easement Project and request the board approve a time extension to allow the grantee to close the transaction. *Action item.*

 2. Capacity Coordinator Courtney Shaff will brief the board on the Organizational Collaboration grant program that supports new or expanded collaborations between organizations. The board will then consider Organizational Collaboration grant awards. *Action item.*

Meeting Rules and Procedures

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 Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

Voting Rules

The OWEB Board has 17 members. Of these, 11 are voting members and six are ex-officio. For purposes of conducting business, OWEB's voting requirements are divided into two categories – general business and action on grant awards.

General Business

A general business quorum is **six voting members**. General business requires a majority of **all** voting members to pass a resolution (not just those present), so general business resolutions require affirmative votes of **at least six voting members**. Typical resolutions include adopting, amending, or appealing a rule, providing staff direction, etc. These resolutions cannot include a funding decision.

Action on Grant Awards

Per ORS 541.360(4), special requirements apply when OWEB considers action on grant awards. This includes a special **quorum of at least eight voting members** present to take action on grant awards, and affirmative votes of at least six voting members. In addition, regardless of the number of members present, **if three or more voting members** object to an award of funds, the proposal will be rejected.

Public Testimony

The board encourages public comment on any agenda item.

General public comment periods will be held on *Tuesday, October 24 at 9:10 a.m.* and *Wednesday, October 25 at 8:00 a.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 three to five minutes.* Written comments will also be accepted on any item before the board. Written comments should be sent to Eric Hartstein at Eric.Hartstein@oregon.gov. Please note that written comments received after October 18, 2017 will not be provided to the board in advance of the meeting.

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. Any person wishing to join the tour should have their 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.

More Information

If you have any questions about this agenda or the Board's procedures, please call Darika Barnes, OWEB Board Assistant, at 503-986-0181. If special physical, language, or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise Darika Barnes (503-986-0181) as soon as possible, and at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Membership

Voting Members

Laura Masterson, *Board of Agriculture*
Vacant, *Environmental Quality Commission*
Bob Webber, *Fish and Wildlife Commission member*
Vacant, *Board of Forestry*
John Roberts, *Water Resources Commission*
Jason Robison, *Public (tribal)*
Gary Marshall, *Public*
Will Neuhauser, *Board Co-Chair, Public*
Randy Labbe, *Board Co-Chair, Public*
Dan Thorndike, *Public*
Karl Wenner, *Public*

Non-voting Members

Rosemary Furfey, *National Marine Fisheries Service*
Stephen Brandt, *Oregon State University Extension Service*
Debbie Hollen, *U.S. Forest Service*
Kathy Stangl, *U.S. Bureau of Land Management*
Ron Alvarado, *U.S. National Resource Conservation Service*
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2017 Board Meeting Schedule

January 24-25 in Madras
April 24-26 in Salem
July 24-26 in Boardman
October 24-25 in Lebanon

2018 Board Meeting Schedule

January 30-31, in Florence
April 24-25, in Frenchglen
June 26-27, Stevenson, WA and Cascade Locks
October 16-17, Brookings/Gold Beach

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