

## Summary of Public Comments

### Public Comment

### WRD Response

#### East Valley Water District (7)

Seven comment letters were submitted to the Department. Five were letters of support from Wilco Farmers, Oregon Association of Nurseries, NORPAC, Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District, and Oregon Water Resources Congress

Two of the comment letters requested the grant be denied. Those comments were submitted by WaterWatch and Tonkon Torp, LLP (on behalf of one adjacent landowner). WaterWatch stated the project was outside the scope of a feasibility study; therefore, it should be denied. Tonkon Torp, LLP cited several issues with the application; primarily, their client's property would be partially flooded by the proposed reservoir. Tonkin Torp, LLP also commented that the project was deficient in several areas including its alternatives analysis and project support.

Five comments were submitted in support of East Valley Water District's proposed water storage project. Those comments came from Wilco Farmers, Oregon Association of Nurseries, NORPAC, Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District and Oregon Water Resources Congress.

The application met the minimum qualification for it to be reviewed and scored. The Application Review Team gave this application an average score with a medium funding priority level.

Several of the tasks identified in the application will not be funded because the tasks are considered to be steps taken outside of the feasibility stage of a project.

This application is the third phase of the project. An alternatives analysis was completed in the first and updated in the second phase. Because the third phase reflects a narrower scope of the project as a result of the analysis already completed, the Department does not believe additional alternative analysis is necessary.

The lack of documented support was taken into consideration during the scoring process; however, this project received five letters of support during the public comment period.

#### OSU/Benton County/City of Corvallis (1)

One comment of support was submitted by the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition. They support the idea of construction of a rain garden to reduce pollution and flooding impacts associated with stormwater run-off. They also mention the rain garden project complimented a broader effort being initiated in the community to reduce stormwater run-off impacts to the Willamette River.

The application met the minimum qualification for it to be reviewed and scored. The Application Review Team gave this application a low average score with a medium funding priority level.

No additional response is necessary.