

**Date:** Aug. 27, 2018  
**To:** Environmental Quality Commission  
**From:** Richard Whitman, Director  
**Subject:** Item A: Tour  
Sept. 13-14, 2018, EQC meeting

**Purpose of item** DEQ and project partners will present information about water quality issues and opportunities in the Klamath Falls area.

**Background** The commission has asked for site and field visits whenever possible to help the commission understand the roles of DEQ and partner agencies including the Oregon Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board. The three agencies have been working together, and with other partners to improve water quality in the basin. This tour will highlight a particular agricultural operation where positive steps are being taken, as well as discussion about what we know about the sources of water pollution in the basin, areas of uncertainty and how they are being addressed, and how this work relates to DEQ's responsibilities for water quality permitting.

The commissioners will visit a site adjacent to upper Klamath Lake to learn about management practices and activities that support healthy water quality.

**EQC involvement** No commission action is requested at this time.

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