#### **100-J General Permit Information Session**

100J National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit

Thursday, Sept. 29, 2022, 1:30 p.m.



Water Quality Permitting and Program Development

# Today's agenda

- Welcome and introduction
   Participation via Zoom
- Permit basics
- Temperature
  - Aquatic life criteria
  - Thermal plume
  - Total maximum daily load
  - Existing permit limits
- Renewal schedule
- Questions

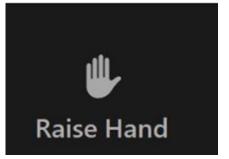




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### **Permit basics**

- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
  - Discharge of pollutants to surface water
  - Five-year permit
- General Permit
  - Statewide
  - One permit
  - Qualify for coverage





## **100-J Permit**

#### 1996 - 2001

1996 temperature criteria for impaired water

Toxic chemical use

Maximum Discharge MGD

pH 6.0 – 9.0 SU

Chlorine 500 µg/L

Temperature: Flow based temperature maximum Maximum Temperature 100 °F

Land Application Option

#### 2022 Concepts **New Temperature Criteria** TMDLs - WLA **Technology Based** Effluent Limit Guidelines **Cooling Water Intake Structures** Outstanding and High-Quality Waters Land Application Option



# Information session | Temperature

- 2003 EPA approved temperature requirements
  - Water Quality Aquatic Life Criteria
  - Thermal Plume from discharge to waterbody
  - Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)
- Existing permit limits

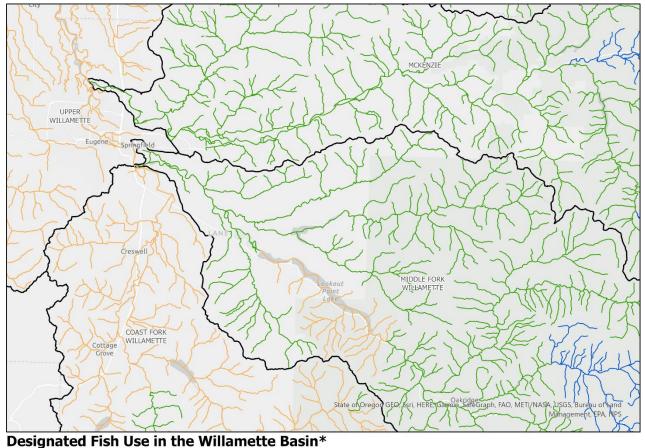


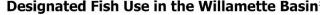
# **Aquatic Life Criteria**

- Fish Use Temperature Criteria
  - Salmon and Steelhead Spawning 13.0°C / 55.4°F
  - Core Cold Water Habitat 16.0°C / 60.8°F
  - Salmon and Trout Rearing and Migration 18.0°C / 64.4°F
  - Salmon and Steelhead Migration Corridors 20.0°C / 68.0°F
  - Lahontan Cutthroat or redband trout use 20.0°C / 68.0°F
  - Bull trout spawning and juvenile rearing 12.0°C / 53.6°F
  - Lakes, ocean, bay waters no more than 0.3°C above natural condition.



#### **Fish Use Maps**



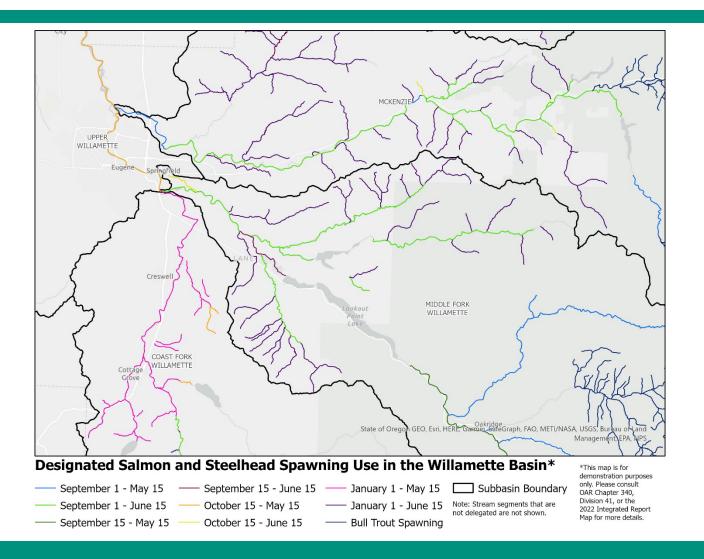


- Salmon and Trout Rearing and Migration Bull Trout Spawning and Juvenile Rearing
- ----- Core Cold Water Habitat Note: Stream segments that are not designated are not shown.
- Subbasin Boundary

\*This map is for demonstration purposes only. Please consult OAR Chapter 340, Division 41, or the 2022 Integrated Report Map for more details.



#### **Fish Use Maps**





# **Thermal plume**

- Prevent or minimize by limiting potential fish exposure to the following temperatures:
  - Impairment of an active spawning area
    - 13°C (55.4°F) or 9°C (48°F) for bull trout spawning
  - Acute harm or death
    - 32°C (89.6°F) or more for less than 2 seconds
  - Thermal shock
    - 25°C (77°F) or more, to less than 5% of the cross section of a low flow (7Q10) of a waterbody
  - Blocking fish migration
    - 21°C (69.8°F) or more, to less than 25% of the cross section of a low flow (7Q10) of a waterbody



## TMDL

- Total Maximum Daily Load
  - Permit must be consistent with a TMDL
  - Existing 100-J sources
    - Most TMDLs do not contain additional requirements
    - Some TMDLs have wasteload allocations
  - Reserve for a new source



# **Existing limits**

- Existing limits for non-hydroelectric facilities
  - A not to exceed heat load of 25
    - Flow (MGD) x Temperature (°F) = 25 or less
  - Flow maximum is 0.5 MGD

Other temperature limits of 100°F (37.8°C) and 150°F (65.5°C)



#### **100-J schedule**





## Questions

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