



**REGIONAL SOLUTIONS OFFICE**  
**GOVERNOR KATE BROWN**

**South Central Oregon Regional Solutions Advisory Committee**  
*Representing Klamath and Lake Counties*

**AGENDA**

Thursday April 18th, 2019  
10:00 am – noon  
Sunset Room; Student Union  
Oregon Institute of Technology  
Klamath Falls, OR

Conference call: 1-888-557-8511  
Participant code: 9470233

- I. Introductions, welcome new members
- II. Regional Solutions Program overview – Annette Liebe, Coordinator  
Example projects:
  1. Red Rock Biofuels - Larry Holzgang, Business Oregon
  2. Brett Way – Jarod Johnson, Department of Transportation
  3. Air quality improvement project – Greg Svelund, Environmental Quality
- III. Oregon Institute of Technology – Strategic Initiatives/ Priorities - Sandra Fox, Senior Advisor to the President/Board Secretary
- IV. Review/Re-fresh South Central Oregon Regional Priorities for economic and community development (memo attached) – discussion
- V. Opportunity for Public Input/Comment
- VI. Regional Priorities- Committee Decision and/or next steps
- VII. Roundtable
- VIII. Adjourn

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: South Central Oregon Regional Solutions Advisory Committee

FROM: Annette Liebe, Regional Solutions Coordinator

RE: South Central Oregon Regional Priorities

DATE: April 1, 2019

### **Requested Action:**

Please come prepared to discuss **the top three economic and community development priorities** that you see for South Central Oregon. We do not intend to reinvent the wheel but anticipate that you each will bring to the table the perspectives of the organizations you represent. For those unable to join for this meeting, please feel free to submit your thoughts/suggestions electronically ahead of time ([annette.liebe@oregon.gov](mailto:annette.liebe@oregon.gov)).

Some things to keep in mind as you consider priorities: Is it regionally significant? Is it something that this collective group of resources can impact? Should both High focus and support priorities be retained?

### **Background**

The purpose of the Regional Solutions approach is to support job retention and creation by aligning state resources (funding, staff capacity, information, etc..) with other public, private and philanthropic resources to complete projects that address each region's priority needs. This vision is implemented by the convening of cross sector advisory committees for each region that are charged with identifying priorities, leveraging resources and recommending high priority projects for funding.

### **Current Priorities**

The Committee last completed an in depth review of priorities in August 2017. They are:

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6. Workforce Housing – increase stock of available attractive homes, not just affordable housing.
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### Options for Consideration

Based on feedback that the Regional Solutions Team (state agency staff and your Regional Coordinator) have heard, there are a few topics that the committee may want to consider as additions/substitutions to the Regional Priorities. These are: Lakeview water system, brownfield redevelopment and outdoor recreation.

## South Central Region (Klamath and Lake Counties)

### South Central Advisory Committee

Convener	Jane O’Keeffe, O’Keeffe Family Ranch
Philanthropic Representative	Charles Massie, OCF Fellow
Business Representative	Tricia Hill, Gold Dust Farms
LOC Representative	Mayor Carol Westfall, City of Klamath Falls
AOC Representative	Commissioner Bradley Winters, Lake County
Committee Appointment	Commissioner Kelley Minty-Morris, Klamath County
Committee Appointment	Roberta Vanderwall, Town of Lakeview
Committee Appointment	Don Gentry, Klamath Tribes
Committee Appointment	Betty Riley, South Central OR Economic Development District
Committee Appointment	Jim Walls, Lake County Resources Initiative
Committee Appointment	Peter West, Energy Trust of Oregon

### South Central Team

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Updated August 2017

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## **South Central Projects**

### **INFRASTRUCTURE:**

The Regional Solutions Advisory Committee prioritized rural infrastructure for investment during the 2015-17 biennium. The following three projects were prioritized for investment through a competitive process:

- 1. **Lake County Rail bridge improvements** - Inspection of the Lake County Railroad bridges identified several bridges as being in a priority stage 2 state of disrepair. Until repairs are completed, the county is responsible for inspecting these bridges every week and continued reliable service is in jeopardy. The Regional Solutions committee recommended funding for Lake County to repair the highest priority bridges. Most bridges on the line are of timber construction, consequently the timber pilings, walkways, handrails, and deck ties have decayed over time. Timely repair is needed to ensure continued rail service to two of Lakeview's largest private employers, specifically, Collins Companies Sawmill (75 jobs), and

Cornerstone (25 jobs), as well as Lake Railway (6 jobs). In addition to those primary jobs, secondary jobs bringing materials to these manufacturers are also benefitted. This project was awarded \$165,000 in Regional Solutions funding that was matched with \$82,700 in county funds.

*“These improvements are critical to sustaining our current employers by addressing immediate safety needs.” Brad Winters, Lake County Commissioner*

2. **Malin Water System Upgrades** - The City of Malin installed a new cloud telemetry system to electronically monitor operations of the pumps, well levels, and storage tank levels to provide more secure and reliable water delivery for city businesses, residents and a new potato processor that was able to locate in the city (12 – 15 new jobs). This project was completed well under budget.
3. **Chiloquin WasteWater system** - Business Oregon and the Regional Solutions Team has been working closely with the city on a variety of waste water system improvements. The Regional Solutions funding supported improvements to a wastewater pump station with \$58,500 that was matched with \$25,000 in local funds. The City Council has also decided to construct a new lagoon system to replace the City’s current system. The City of Chiloquin has asked to schedule a one-stop meeting to explore options to finance a new wastewater system.
4. **Rural Broadband Lake County** – The Lake County ESD received a federal grant to take fiber from Lakeview to Plush and Adel schools. . Lake County received permission from Surprise Valley Electric to use their poles; issues have been discovered with these poles. ESD is seeking an extension. SCOEDD applied for a Business Oregon rural broadband grant and for RIF funding for this project. The team and Lake County worked with Business Oregon to assess linkages to FirstNet and with ODOT to assess whether ODOT’s tower could host a dish.

The Regional Solutions Team has worked on the following additional infrastructure projects:

1. **City of Chiloquin Water System** – the city was also awarded \$930,000 from Business Oregon in April 2017, which was matched by city funds and funds from Indian Health Services to rehabilitate the incorporate the Airport well into the city water system. In August 2017 the Oregon Water Resources Department and Klamath Tribes advised the city that since the Klamath Basin Restoration agreement is no longer in effect, the companion Upper Basin Agreement is no longer in effect as well. This means that when the Tribes make a “call” on their water right, which has a priority date of “time immemorial” the city will have to cease using Well #1 and will not be able to utilize the airport well, because the wells are within 1 mile of the river. After multiple city council work sessions and consultation with OWRD, the city has come to the conclusion that the only solution is to relocate their primary water source outside the one mile buffer from the Sprague and Williamson Rivers. The city received funding from Business Oregon’s Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund.

2. **Crescent Waste Water Treatment System:** The Crescent Sanitary District (CSD) has been working for several years to resolve public health concerns related to their failing septic systems. The RST (DEQ, OBDD/IFA, ODF, and DLCD) have been meeting consistently with the CSD since January 2015 to make recommendations on their facilities planning, advise on the best strategy for locating their facility on ODF-owned property (including a process to transfer the land and subsequent zoning applications), and on project financing. With technical and funding assistance from the Department of Environmental Quality and Business Oregon, the CSD broke ground in November 2018.

*“The professionalism and collaboration on this project has been outstanding. The team has worked diligently together to move the project along in a timely and methodical manner.”*

*Chuck Lawrence, Crescent Sanitary District, Project Manager*

3. **Lake Ewauna Trail:** ODOT and DEQ worked together to eliminate contaminated soil discovered during the Lake Ewauna Trail construction project. ODOT worked with the city to obtain DSL permits for in water work. ODOT is negotiating change order issues. Trail is under construction.

## **INDUSTRIAL LAND**

**Klamath Falls Brett Way Extension:** RST has been working to identify and secure state permits/approvals needed for construction of a new road to increase safety and serve future industrially zoned land. ODOT has been working closely with the City of Klamath Falls to encourage the city to install wet utilities in the right of way. DEQ, DLCD, and ODOT worked to address land use issues and federal Clean Air Act requirements. The consultant has started the design/engineering for this project. Construction bid expected in 2020.

## **SUPPORT ENTREPRENEURSHIP/SMALL BUSINESS**

Klamath IDEA was established in 2015 to support the entrepreneurial ecosystem in Klamath Falls. The initiative is hosted by the Klamath Community College Foundation and championed by Klamath Community College. Klamath IDEA curates and bolsters resources present in the region to amplify impact and make improvements when needed. Business Oregon and the South Central Oregon Economic Development district serve on the Klamath IDEA Board. In spring 2018 Klamath IDEA was awarded \$55,000 from Business Oregon under the Rural Opportunity Initiative grant program. These funds were leveraged to secure another \$21,000 including a contract with the Klamath County Commissioners. Klamath IDEA is using these funds to increase community support for entrepreneurship, develop a three year strategy that includes outlying area, and increase engagement of entrepreneurs.

## **AGRICULTURE**

### **Modoc Point Irrigation system modernization**

Team convened two meetings with Klamath Tribes and non-profit partners to explore supporting the modernization of the Irrigation District. The district currently has unlined ditches and much water is lost in conveyance through the system. When a water call is limited,

too much is lost in transport to ensure that there is water for livestock and pumping water is expensive. The goals are to identify some water and energy efficiency projects as well as opportunities to reduce run off into Upper Klamath Lake. The RST also joined for a site tour. We have also provided a comprehensive list of state funding opportunities for various modernization activities.

### **Reduce Agricultural run off to Upper Klamath Lake (ODA lead)**

Agricultural run-off into Upper Klamath Lake significantly contributes to water quality violations that impair fish health. Without reducing these violations, it will be very difficult to permit new sources who wish to discharge into the Klamath River; even sources who do not add any pollutants to the water. Because the water that is taken in to their facility already violates water quality standards and their discharge must meet standards. Through the RST additional agencies have been brought to the table to engage with ODA and their partners to explore opportunities where additional state resources may be creatively deployed to accelerate the reduction of run off.

**Water supply study:** Water Resources Department provided a grant to evaluate water storage options in the Klamath Basin. Work is underway; report is expected later in 2019.

## **HOUSING**

### **Housing Needs Analyses**

In order to help address the housing shortage, DLCDC secured EcoNorthwest to complete housing needs analyses (HNA) and associated work for Klamath Falls, Lakeview and Paisley. Early feedback from the communities has ensured that these studies will also evaluate the condition of housing stock. Working with community representatives, the consultant has completed a housing buildable lands inventory (BLI), draft housing needs analysis and draft housing policies, which will be vetted through a final advisory committee meeting and public open house. The HNA will be completed by the end of June 2019 and ready for adoption by each jurisdiction.

In Lakeview and Paisley the consultant is also completing an Economic Opportunity Analysis (EOA) to evaluate opportunities for economic development and land needs. EcoNorthwest, also the consultant for this project, has completed an employment lands BLI, draft economic opportunities analysis and draft EOA. This work will also be completed and ready for local adoption by the end of June 2019.

## **WORKFORCE TRAINING**

### **Klamath Community College Internship and Apprenticeship Center**

The Regional Solutions Committee prioritized this facility for 2017-19 RIF funding (\$200,000). The project supports the regional priorities and is a high priority for the local workforce investment board. Klamath Community College will design and construct a 19,050 sq ft industrial shop space for hands on training for pre-apprenticeship programs for plumbing, electrical, and industrial workers (including pipefitter, millwright and machinists). The project increases capacity for welding, EMT, fire sciences, and manufacturing training programs.

Businesses will be able to connect with students for internship, apprenticeship, and on the job training.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

### **Lake County Airport Utilities Project**

Lake County Airport is home to several small businesses, provides a critical transportation link for the local hospital when patients need to be urgently transferred to facilities with specialized care, and serves as a hub for US Forest Service firefighting equipment. Utilities available at the Lake County Airport include electricity, water provided by individual wells, telephone and internet. Septic needs are met by individual septic tanks and drain field systems and are inadequate to accept capacity enhancements. Facilities have been developed and a new system should be installed. The well and water lines are original from 1943 and are in need of replacement or upgrade. The overhead electrical lines at the Airport are a safety hazard and are outdated; they should be replaced and located underground. Current electrical service is offered via 120/208v line voltage and should be upgraded to 3-Phase 220v. The Regional Solutions committee recommended \$150,000 in Regional Infrastructure funding to replace original outdated water lines, replace overhead electrical service to the main hangar with underground lines and install a backup generator.

## **ADDITIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

### **North Ridge Estates Superfund Match through Interagency Land Exchange, Klamath Falls:**

North Ridge Estates is a subdivision in Klamath County, developed with approximately 22 homes and a small apartment complex. The site was developed with a number of uses in the past, including the Oregon State Hospital and the former Oregon Technology Institute (now Oregon Institute of Technology). Like many buildings constructed prior to 1970, the buildings and associated underground steam heating pipe were asbestos-laden, and when the property was developed as a subdivision the asbestos abatement was handled improperly. On September 16, 2011 the site was listed as a national priority site for cleanup under Superfund. As part of a Superfund cleanup action, the state is required to pay a 10% match of the actual cleanup costs. The EPA has estimated the total cleanup effort at North Ridge Estates to be approximately \$38 - \$40 million.

The Regional Solutions Team executed a land exchange between ODOT and DSL that will provide approximately 274,000 cubic yards of clean fill material as an in kind match for the remediation. Because of requirements governing disposal and use of DSL-owned property, the agency needed to transfer the site to other ownership. ODOT was interested in obtaining jurisdiction of the site. EPA provided two rounds of hazardous materials handling training in order to hire local clean up staff for the project.

The kick off remediation began in September 2016. During the 2017-19 biennium the state in kind match is estimated to result in \$690,000 in savings. The project cleans up a public health issue, puts properties back on the tax rolls for the county, and saves state funds. The clean up was completed in October 2018.

**Red Rock Biofuels:** Red Rock Biofuels (RRB) is constructing a \$250 million biofuels refinery in Lakeview, funded with a \$70 million federal Department of Defense grant and private investors. Once operational, the facility will employ 31 full time, with 55-60 indirect jobs created in the nearby Fremont-Winema National Forest; 250 jobs are estimated for construction. RRB intends to convert 140,000 gallons per year of renewable jet fuel, diesel and naphtha fuels. The RST is coordinating RRB's state permits, including DEQ Air Quality Permit; DSL wetland permits; and UGB Exchange/Amendment with guidance from DLCD. The RST has been convening monthly calls with the company, town, county, and state agencies to ensure good coordination on the various state approvals. The Final Environmental Assessment was published in December 2016. The town and county approved the Enterprise Zone Agreement December 2015. The RST continues to work with the town, the county, and Red Rock to provide assistance on state approvals and incentives (air quality and wetland permitting, transportation/jobs incentives). Business Oregon worked closely with the company and the Governor's Office to secure allocations of tax exempt bonds late in 2017 and early 2018. Red Rock Biofuels broke ground in August 2018 and is currently under construction.

Red Rock Biofuels is building a natural gas pipeline from the Ruby pipeline to their site on the south end of the Town of Lakeview. The county has negotiated an agreement with the company to oversize the natural gas pipe so that additional capacity can be used to serve the Town of Lakeview. The team has been working with the company and the county to resolve regulatory issues related to tapping into the Red Rock pipe for other industrial, commercial and residential uses.

*"The Regional Solutions Team has been vital in coordinating the many state departments and agencies. These teams provide a very valuable role in the development of large projects."*  
Jeff Manternach, CFO

**Project PNP:** Project PNP is a significant economic development project seeking to locate a facility somewhere in the United States. The RST provided information and technical assistance about regulatory and natural resource issues as part of the due diligence process for site selection. Governor Brown reached out to the company to demonstrate her support for the project. Klamath County Economic Development Association is lead in partnership with Business Oregon, DEQ, WRD and East Cascades Works.

**Lake County Fairgrounds Master Plan:** Because the fairgrounds are a significant /historic amenity and were identified as a resource during the rural tourism studios funded through Travel Oregon, creating an assessment of needed improvements is critical to their preservation. The team was successful in securing funding for this effort through Business Oregon. The assessment was funded in partnership with the Ford Family Foundation.



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- **Convene:** Bring together appropriate state and federal agencies to address complex regulatory challenges.
- **Resource Alignment:** Align state funds and technical assistance to advance regionally significant projects.

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- **Funding:** For information regarding other sources of funding and loans such as:
  - a) **Immediate Opportunity Fund (IOF):** A joint ODOT/Business Oregon grant program to fund public, Highway Trust Fund-eligible infrastructure improvements that serve economic development.
  - b) **Connect Oregon:** A Lottery-funded biennial competitive grant program to fund non-highway infrastructure projects including air, rail, marine, transit, bike and pedestrian.
  - c) **Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP):** ODOT's four-year transportation investment process that includes the Enhance program, a competitive grant program to fund local improvements.
  - d) **Oregon Transportation Infrastructure Bank:** A loan program available to local jurisdictions to fund transportation improvements.
  - e) **ODOT's Bike and Pedestrian Program:** Provides support to local governments for planning, designing and constructing bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- **Region 4 Area Commission on Transportation (ACT):** The region's 31-member advisory body to the Oregon Transportation Commission, responsible for ranking projects in ConnectOregon and STIP Enhance, as well as providing input to ODOT on a number of projects, programs and policies.

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- **Planning**
  - Technical Assistance Grants: (biennial, next application cycle 2017-2019) Targeting comprehensive plan updates for economic development, transportation and community development, infrastructure finance, and more. More information is available at: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/Pages/grants.aspx>
  - Transportation and Growth Management (TGM) Grants (annual, next application cycle 2017): TGM Grants help local communities plan for streets and land use in a way that leads to more livable, economically vital, and sustainable communities and that increases opportunities for transit, walking, and bicycling. Additional information at: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/Pages/grants.aspx>
- **Education**
  - TGM Education and Outreach Grants (continuous application cycle): Services usually consist of workshops, lectures, conferences, and other public forums tailored to individual communities and address a variety of transportation and land use issues. More information at: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/TGM/Pages/outreach.aspx>
- **Implementation and Development Code**
  - TGM Quick Response Grants (continuous application cycle): Program helps communities identify ways to implement integrated multi-modal transportation and land use plans. Projects funded are typically site specific, small scale, and focus on facilitating current and future development (within 3 years) and cost effective community design. More information at: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/TGM/Pages/quickresponse.aspx>
  - Transportation System Plan (TSP) Assessment (continuous): Service is available to help local governments evaluate their existing plans to identify issues and potential solutions. More information at: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/TGM/Pages/tspassessment.aspx>
  - TGM Code Assistance Grants (continuous application cycle): Program provides community-specific help to local governments to identify and update regulations that promote efficient land use and transportation. Code assistance projects can be undertaken in one or two phases: an initial assessment of the current land development regulations, and then preparation of code amendments for consideration by local decision makers. More information at: <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/TGM/Pages/codeassistance.aspx>

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**OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (DEQ)**

- **Business Development:** Please contact Larry Holzgang for opportunities and connections related to traded sector businesses including:
  - Technical assistance to assist Oregon businesses
  - Access to financial resources
  - Global trade information, international assistance, and export promotion
  - Connections on talent and workforce opportunities
  - Tax incentives
  - Certification Office for Business Inclusion & Diversity (COBID)
  - Innovation and entrepreneurship
  - Enterprise Zones
  - Infrastructure Finance (water, waste water, community facilities, technical assistance, planning)
- Web site: <http://www.oregon4biz.com>
- <http://www.orinfrastructure.org/Infrastructure-Programs/>
- **Industrial Lands Certification:** If you are interested in developing industrial properties, please contact Larry Holzgang. <http://www.orinfrastructure.org/Infrastructure-Programs/Certified-Sites/>
- **Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup:** For both public and privately owned brownfield property please contact Karen Homolac. <http://www.orinfrastructure.org/Infrastructure-Programs/Brownfields>.
- **Fiber Connectivity:** For technical assistance around telecommunications, please contact Chris Tamarin (Business Oregon Telecommunications Strategist) at cell: 503-508-0178 or [christopher.tamarin@state.or.us](mailto:christopher.tamarin@state.or.us). Oregon Broadband Advisory Council: [www.broadband-oregon.gov](http://www.broadband-oregon.gov)
- **Seismic Rehabilitation:** To apply for grants for public schools and public safety facilities, contact Gloria Zacharias at (503) 986-0132. <http://www.orinfrastructure.org/Infrastructure-Programs/Seismic-Rehab/>
- **Primary Contact:** Please contact Greg Svelund if you have questions regarding any of DEQ's programs.

<p><b>Greg Svelund</b>  TEL: (541) 633-2008  EMAIL: <a href="mailto:Svelund.Greg@deq.state.or.us">Svelund.Greg@deq.state.or.us</a></p> <p>WEBSITE:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/DEQ/Pages/index.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/DEQ/Pages/index.aspx</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Environmental permitting:</b> DEQ can help you understand which state-issued air, water and materials management permits might be required for your project, and identify information needed for permit applications to ensure a smooth process.</li> <li>• <b>Contaminated Sites</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ DEQ can provide technical assistance for cleaning up brownfields.</li> <li>○ If you plan to acquire contaminated property, DEQ offers a Prospective Purchaser Agreement to protect the buyer from liability for environmental cleanup.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Water Infrastructure Projects</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ DEQ administers low-cost loans for planning, design, and construction of wastewater and stormwater projects through the Clean Water State Revolving fund. Interest rates, repayment timelines, and loan requirements vary depending on the loan type.</li> <li>○ Utility managers at small drinking water and wastewater systems can receive free assistance to identify and address their most pressing needs and manage assets.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (ODOE)</b></p> <p><b>Rob Del Mar</b>  TEL: (503) 302-7027  EMAIL: <a href="mailto:rob.delmar@oregon.gov">rob.delmar@oregon.gov</a></p> <p>WEBSITE:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/Pages/index.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/Pages/index.aspx</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact Rob Del Mar if you have questions regarding any of ODOE's programs.</li> <li>• <b>Policy, Technical and Implementation Guidance for</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Energy efficiency opportunities in residential, commercial and industrial projects</li> <li>○ Renewable energy development</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>High Performance Home Developments:</b> Residential developers and builders should be made aware of ODOE's "High Performance Home" program that intersects with ETO program incentives. Quality of housing and performance goes up with tax credits and incentives to support additional costs for new construction measures.</li> <li>• <b>Public Sector Building Efficiency</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Schools and municipal buildings:</b> There are ODOE programs to support school operation improvements that save energy and money.</li> <li>○ <b>Municipal Buildings:</b> through ODOE for public buildings.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Renewable Energy:</b> Cash grants are available for commercial solar and other renewable energy projects on a competitive basis. Tax credits are available for residential solar projects.</li> <li>• <b>Electric Vehicle Charging:</b> Proximity to nearby cities provide opportunity for consumers to visit the community while having their vehicle charged. The influx of residential sector</li> </ul>

	<p>consumers (young and affluent) will also bring the desire for vehicle charging as well as bikeways and a robust recycling program.</p>
<p><b>OREGON DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANDS (DSL)</b></p> <p><b>Nancy Pustis</b>  TEL: (541) 388-6355  EMAIL: nancy.pustis@state.or.us</p> <p>WEBSITE:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/dsl/pages/index.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/dsl/pages/index.aspx</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact Nancy Pustis if you have questions relating to management or use of Department owned property. This includes uplands as well as state-owned waterways. DSL also has responsibility to administer the state’s removal fill laws.</li> <li>• <b>General Upland Property:</b> DSL owns several large land parcels within central Oregon. Several of these are targeted for Industrial, Commercial or Residential development and near populated cities and towns. Other parcels are isolated and scattered throughout the region. A wide variety of uses are experienced on these properties including recreation, special uses, renewal energy, utility services and mineral exploration.</li> <li>• <b>Removal-Fill Permitting:</b> DSL administers the Removal-Fill Law, which requires permits for conducting earthwork in waters of the state (wetlands, rivers, tidal bays, ocean, and other waters). Services to assist landowners and local governments include early identification of waters, on-site pre-application meetings, and interagency meetings to facilitate issue resolution. We also have a comprehensive “Removal-Fill Guide” on our website that covers topics from project planning, determining if a permit is required, and how to prepare a permit application.</li> <li>• <b>Removal-Fill Pre-Application Meetings:</b> For projects that include wetlands / waterways removal or fill (Clean Water Act § 404 and Removal-Fill permit applications), and projects that may be large, complex, or controversial in nature: Ten state and federal agencies meet every month to offer pre-application meetings to discuss a proposed project, provide feedback, and share information. The intent of the meetings is to provide meaningful comment and feedback to prospective applicants early in the permitting process, to help them most effectively prepare permit applications and address agency concerns. Hit the link below for additional information: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/dsl/PERMITS/Pages/Removal-Fill-Pre-Application-Meetings.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/dsl/PERMITS/Pages/Removal-Fill-Pre-Application-Meetings.aspx</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Participating agencies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Portland District</li> <li>○ Oregon Department of State Lands</li> <li>○ Oregon Department of Environmental Quality</li> <li>○ U.S. EPA – Region 10 Oregon Operations Office</li> <li>○ NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service</li> <li>○ Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries</li> <li>○ Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife</li> <li>○ Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development</li> <li>● <b>State-owned Waterways:</b> DSL has a proprietary role in managing uses on state-owned waterways through granting of leases, easements and other authorizations.</li> </ul>
<p><b>OREGON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT (OPRD)</b></p> <p><b>Susan Bethers, South Central District Manager</b>  TEL: (541) 388-6055  EMAIL: susan.bethers@oregon.gov</p> <p>WEBSITE: <a href="http://oregonstateparks.org/">http://oregonstateparks.org/</a></p> <p><b>STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE (SHPO)</b></p> <p><b>Chrissy Curran</b>  TEL: (503) 986-0684  EMAIL: <a href="mailto:chrissy.curran@oregon.gov">chrissy.curran@oregon.gov</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact Susan Bethers if you have any questions about OPRD.</li> <li>● <b>County Opportunity Grants:</b> County Opportunity Grants go to Oregon counties to purchase land for campgrounds, to improve or plan camping areas, and other, similar purposes.</li> <li>● <b>Local Government Recreation Grants:</b> Your community may qualify for funding from one or more of our five recreational grant programs. Eligible projects (depending on the grant program) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Acquisitions, development, planning for outdoor recreation facilities</li> <li>○ Development and rehabilitation of trails and trailheads</li> <li>○ Heavy restoration of existing trails</li> <li>○ More information is available at: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/GRANTS/pages/local.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/GRANTS/pages/local.aspx</a></li> <li>○ Contact Jan Hunt at (503) 986-0705</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV):</b> The mission of the ATV Program is to communicate information regarding off-highway vehicle riding opportunities, laws and rules, and to provide grant funding for off-highway vehicle projects that include Operations and Maintenance, Law Enforcement, Development, Planning, Acquisition, Safety Education, and Emergency Medical Services. For more information, please go to: <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/ATV/Pages/about_us.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/ATV/Pages/about_us.aspx</a></li> <li>● <b>Parks Planning:</b> Annual grant funds are available upon legislative approval of OPRD's budget. Project funding depends on the amount of money available and the project's standing on the small or large project priority list. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Small Grants – projects with a maximum \$75,000 grant request. Up to fifteen percent (15%) of funds are available for these projects.</li> <li>○ Large Grant Requests - Other than for land acquisitions, projects with a maximum \$750,000 grant request. A Project Sponsor may request up to \$1,000,000 for land acquisition projects.</li> <li>○ Small Community Planning Grants – Maximum awards for planning grants will be \$40,000.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p><b>State Historic Preservation Office</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact <i>Chrissy Curran</i> for questions about SHPO, cultural resource compliance, archaeological permits, Section 106, tribal interaction, National Register designation, Oregon Main Street, or heritage grant opportunities.</li> <li>• <b>Cultural Resources Clearance:</b> SHPO staff assists state and federal agencies and local governments with regulations related to archaeological sites, historic buildings, and sacred sites and landscapes of interest to Oregon’s nine federally recognized tribes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act;</li> <li>○ State laws protecting archaeological sites on private and non-federal public land;</li> <li>○ State law protecting significant historic sites owned or leased by public entities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Heritage Grants:</b> Heritage Division of OPRD (Oregon Heritage) administers grant programs for museum and heritage efforts, veterans and war memorial improvements, historic cemetery projects, and historic preservation projects.</li> <li>• <b>Oregon Main Street Network:</b> Our office coordinates with communities across Oregon who participate in a preservation-based, economic revitalization approach aimed at energizing historic downtown main streets.</li> </ul>
<p><b>OREGON EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT (OED)</b></p> <p><b>Damon Runberg</b>  TEL: (541) 706-0779  EMAIL: <a href="mailto:damon.runberg@oregon.gov">damon.runberg@oregon.gov</a></p> <p>WEBSITE: <a href="http://www.qualityinfo.org/portland-metro/">www.qualityinfo.org/portland-metro/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact Damon Runberg if you have any questions related to OED.</li> <li>• <b>Workforce and Economic Research Division:</b> Provides accurate, reliable, and timely information about Oregon's state and local labor markets. In a nutshell, our goal is to provide quality information that helps our customers make informed choices. Workforce development policy makers are a key research customer group, particularly serving the labor market information needs of state and local Workforce Investment Boards.</li> <li>• <b>Business Services:</b> WorkSource Oregon helps businesses meet their workforce needs. Our partners are the trainers, the recruiters, and the interviewers. Save time and money with online matching tools, advertise openings on the Web, and recruit skilled workers. Choose between self-service or staff assisted recruitments; either way, we match workers by skills and occupations to provide you with a quality workforce.</li> </ul>
<p><b>OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE (ODFW)</b></p> <p><b>Trevor Watson</b>  TEL: (541) 573-6582</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact Trevor Watson if you have any questions related to ODFW. ODFW is charged to regulate harvest of fish, protection of fish, enhancement of fish populations through habitat improvement, and the rearing and release of fish into public waters. ODFW maintains hatcheries throughout the state to provide fish for program needs.</li> </ul>

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**Fish Division:** For full list of programs please go to:

<http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/programs.asp#programs>

- **Fish Passage Program:** The Fish Passage Program is responsible for implementing state fish passage laws, providing resources and information for those affected by the laws or seeking to improve passage, working with the Fish Passage Task Force advisory group, and working with local ODFW staff and others to improve fish passage throughout the state.
- **Fish Restoration & Enhancement Program:** On June 29, 1989, the Oregon Fisheries Restoration and Enhancement Act of 1989 was signed into law. The Act allows the Department of Fish and Wildlife to undertake a comprehensive program to restore state-owned fish hatcheries, enhance natural fish production, expand hatchery production, and provide additional public access to fishing waters. The department's program provides increased recreational fishing opportunities and supports and improves the commercial salmon fishery.
- **Fish Screening Program:** The Fish Screening Program assists water users install fish screens on diversions to prevent the loss of fish while allowing the water user to receive and use their water. ODFW has a fish screening cost-share program, a state tax credit, and technical assistance available through this program.
- **Marine Resources Program:** The MRP is responsible for monitoring, sampling, research and management of both the commercial and recreational marine fisheries. It is the MRP's goal to increase the quality and quantity of stock assessments and biological information through improved at-sea and dockside sampling programs and through carefully designed research projects.
- **Native Fish Conservation and Recovery Program:** The Conservation and Recovery Program is responsible for coordinating management direction and setting policy relative to the agency's mission to conserve native fish for present and future use. This entails participating in the development of conservation and recovery plans, providing input on specific management decisions and plan implementation, determining monitoring needs, assessing and analyzing population status, coordinating ESA permitting, and conducting habitat and native fish research and monitoring, as well as overseeing the Natural Resource Information Management program which includes considerable information on fish, wildlife, streams and water.
- **Ocean Salmon and Columbia River Program (OSCRP):** The Ocean Salmon and Columbia River Program (OSCRP) is responsible for evaluating and managing Oregon fish populations that cross international, federal, and interstate jurisdictions. Sections within the OSCR

include: Columbia River Fisheries and Management, Ocean Salmon Fisheries Management, Columbia River Coordination, and Columbia River Investigations.

- **Private Pond Stocking:** Private fish ponds have been popular for decades. They can provide fishing enjoyment for children and an opportunity for pond owners to create and manage their own personal fisheries. However, if they are not regulated, private fish ponds have the potential to seriously harm wild fish populations in adjacent rivers, streams, and lakes.
- **Water Quality/Quantity Program:** The Water Quality/Quantity Program is involved with many water issues that can directly or indirectly affect fish and wildlife. This includes commenting on applications for water use that may impact streams, reviewing and conducting instream flow studies, and reviewing hydroelectric applications.

#### **Wildlife Division**

- **Conservation Program:** Implements the Oregon Conservation Strategy, a blueprint for conservation of the state's native fish and wildlife and their habitats. The Strategy provides information on at-risk species and habitats, identifies key issues affecting them, and recommends actions. Conducts statewide species surveys; coordinates conservation and management of threatened and endangered species; oversees the importation, possession, confinement, transportation, and sale of non-native species; performs research projects on the ecological requirements for a variety of non-game species; coordinates with the Marine Resources Program and Nearshore Strategy staff to oversee the health of marine mammals; and develops statewide plans to restore and enhance wildlife populations and habitats to keep wildlife from becoming endangered or threatened.
- **Game Program:** Works with landowners to prevent and reduce wildlife damage to agricultural and timber crops, conducts inventories of game mammals, establishes harvest regulations, conducts hunter surveys, and investigates wildlife diseases.
- **Habitat Program:** Oversees 16 Wildlife Areas that provide valuable habitat for native and migrating species; oversees statewide habitat development, conducts wildlife research projects, provides assistance to landowners for enhancement of private property for the benefit of fish and wildlife, provides technical assistance for the best seed mixtures to use when reseeding lands burned by wildfires, and coordinates with other agencies to address land and water use issues associated with fish and wildlife habitats.

**Licenses and Regulations:** [http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/licenses\\_regs/](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/licenses_regs/)

**Oregon Conservation Strategy:** <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/conservationstrategy/index.asp>

	<p><b>Hunting Resources:</b> <a href="http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/index.asp">http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/index.asp</a></p>
<p><b>OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (WRD)</b></p> <p><b>Kyle Gorman</b>  TEL: (541) 306-6885  EMAIL: <a href="mailto:Kyle.G.Gorman@oregon.gov">Kyle.G.Gorman@oregon.gov</a></p> <p>WEBSITE:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/pages/index.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/pages/index.aspx</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Primary Contact:</b> Please contact Kyle Gorman if you have any questions related to WRD. The vision of the Water Resources Department is to assure sufficient and sustainable water supplies are available to meet current and future needs.</li> <li>• <b>Water Resources Development Program:</b> The Water Resources Development Team is available to partner with individuals and communities to understand, identify, and meet water resource needs. The cycle below identifies key steps in the development of water projects. In addition to technical assistance, the Water Resources Department has a number of funding sources to assist with project planning, evaluation, feasibility and implementation. For more information:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/pages/Water_Resources_Development_Program.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/OWRD/pages/Water_Resources_Development_Program.aspx</a></li> <li>• <b>Groundwater:</b> The department conducts a variety of functions critical to the management of Oregon’s water resources. Staff set standards for water measurements, complete hydrologic studies, enforce water laws, and help water users and local watershed groups identify and solve local water needs. Information gathered by the division’s studies is managed and analyzed by agency staff and used for water availability assessments, mapping, planning for future water supplies, and supporting local efforts. For more information:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/gw/index.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/gw/index.aspx</a></li> <li>• <b>Water Right Transfers:</b> There is growing interest in the state in the use of the water right transfer process as a tool to secure water to support growth and streamflow restoration. Transfers provide a method to change the point of diversion or appropriation, the place of use, or the beneficial use of the right from that for which the right was originally issued. The water right holder must obtain approval of a water right transfer from the Water Resources Department before making any of these changes. For more information:  <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/mgmt_transfers.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/mgmt_transfers.aspx</a></li> <li>• <b>Water Law/Water Rights:</b> Under Oregon law, all water is publicly owned. With some exceptions, cities, farmers, factory owners, and other users must obtain a permit or water right from the Water Resources Department to use water from any source — whether it is underground, or from lakes or streams. Landowners with water flowing past, through, or under</li> </ul>

their property do not automatically have the right to use that water without a permit from the department. For more information: <http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/law/index.aspx>

- **Water Management Programs:** Oregon's water laws are based on the principle of prior appropriation. This means the first person to obtain a water right on a stream is the last to be shut off in times of low streamflows. In water-short times, the water right holder with the oldest date of priority can demand the water specified in their water right regardless of the needs of junior users. If there is a surplus beyond the needs of the senior right holder, the water right holder with the next oldest priority date can take as much as necessary to satisfy needs under their right and so on down the line until there is no surplus. For more information: <http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/mgmt.aspx>
- **Well Construction and Compliance:**  
[http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/gw/wcc\\_index.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/gw/wcc_index.aspx)
- **Conservation and Supply Resources and Programs:**  
[http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/pages/law/conservation\\_supply.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/pages/law/conservation_supply.aspx)
- **Surface Water Resources:** <http://www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/sw/index.aspx>