



<b>Management Area: Upper Deschutes</b>		
<b>Meeting Date(s): March 22, 2018</b>		
<b>LAC Members Present:</b> Mark Thalacker (Chair), Todd Cleveland, Rex Barber, Bill Grafton		
<b>Progress Measurement:</b> The SWCD has strategically selected a Point of Delivery (POD) within the Central Oregon Irrigation District (COID) and a POD within the Swalley Irrigation District (SID). The POD consists of a headgate where water is delivered throughout several properties in earthen ditches, primarily to flood-irrigate fields. The SWCD will work with landowners to implement on-farm water efficiency projects to help reduce the amount of water delivered to each POD through on-farm irrigation improvement or modernization practices.		
<b>COID Pod</b> Current Status: 1,120 Acre-Feet delivered to POD Milestone: By June 30, 2019, reduce acre feet delivered to POD from 1,120-acre feet to 795-acre feet (71%)		
<b>SID Pod</b> Current Status: 880 Acre-Feet delivered to POD Milestone: By June 30, 2019, reduce acre feet delivered to POD from 880-acre feet to 624-acre feet (71%)		
<b>Implementation Summary outside Focus Areas</b>		
<b>Outreach and Education:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distributed 350 Rural Living Handbooks</li> <li>• Developed display board to utilize project activity, manure composting, streamside vegetation management strategies</li> <li>• Booth at Living on a Few Acres landowner workshop in 2015 and 2016</li> <li>• Held 5 workshops with OSU Extension on pasture management and irrigation and held 2 workshops on irrigation efficiency</li> <li>• Developed contact list of landowners bordering 45 miles of the Little Deschutes River</li> <li>• Sent information to landowners eligible for CREP along the Little Deschutes River (no responses)</li> <li>• Wrote and submitted a grant for composting manure – rejected by the reviewers because they were not convinced that landowners in the La Pine area would make use of it</li> <li>• Three classroom discussions at La Pine Middle and High Schools on water quality</li> <li>• Three landowners agreed to eliminate grazing livestock along Indian Ford Creek for 2 miles of the creek</li> </ul>		
<b>Planning and Projects:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planned and funded fencing off 1,000 feet of Little Deschutes River from livestock damage</li> <li>• Developed grazing plan that was implemented on 46 acres</li> <li>• Planned the Strategic Implementation Strategy for IWM with NRCS and with ODA on Indian Ford Creek SIA or Strategic Implementation Area to improve water quality – temperatures exceed WQ standards</li> </ul>		
<b>Monitoring:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring conducted by SWCD was of landscape conditions in Focus Area and Strategic Implementation Area</li> </ul>		
<b>Funding and Grants:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leveraged funding from OWEB, US Fish and Wildlife Service, NRCS, and other sources</li> </ul>		
<b>Summary of Impediments:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Projects are being denied from OWEB for not legally protecting the conserved water with instream water right certificate. This is not required by statute but required by OWEB policy.</li> <li>• Funding for on-farm irrigation improvements.</li> <li>• Projects are being held up by permitting and NEPA. Permitting needs to be completed in a timely manner (streamlined).</li> <li>• Local land use permit approvals are holding up projects and are increasing in price.</li> </ul>		
<b>Recommendations for Modifications:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capacity funding for SWCDs</li> </ul>		
<b>DEQ Recommendations:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None received</li> </ul>		
<b>Compliance:</b>		
<i>Letter of Compliance -0</i>	<i>Water Quality Advisory -0</i>	<i>Letter of Warning -0</i>
<i>Notice of Noncompliance -0</i>	<i>Civil Penalty -0</i>	<i>Alternative Measures -0</i>
<b>Total New Investigations: 0</b>		
<b>Notes:</b>		

