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## Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

**FROM:** Eric Williams, Grant Program Manager  
Andrew Dutterer, Partnerships Coordinator

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item J – Implementation FIP – Upper Grande Ronde Restoration Partnership Request  
June 27, 2018 Board Meeting

### I. Introduction

The Upper Grande Ronde Restoration Partnership requests to carry forward \$339,887 that was awarded in the 2015-2017 biennium.

### II. Background

The Upper Grande Ronde Restoration Partnership obligated the entirety of its 2015-2017 biennium funds prior to the conclusion of that biennium. Since then, the Hall Ranch Restoration project along Catherine Creek, which was funded in the 2015-2017 biennium, has undergone a significant change in project site conditions. The Oregon Department of Transportation has agreed to the relocation of Highway 203 in the project reach. This will allow Catherine Creek to access the entire floodplain and offers a substantial increase in potential ecological gain in this reach of Catherine Creek, which provides critically important habitat for ESA-listed spring Chinook and summer steelhead.

### III. Request

As a result of this change, the partnership would like to enter into a new grant agreement for the Hall Ranch Restoration project that will account for the extensive shift in restoration approach and implementation timeline. This requires the submission of a new proposal and technical review. Simply amending the existing grant agreement is not sufficient for representing the new restoration approach and ensuring technical soundness. Thus, the 2015-2017 biennium project funds are requested for carry-forward in order to submit a new proposal, conduct technical review, and enter into a new grant agreement for the project.

**IV. Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommend the board carry forward \$339,887 of 216-8205-12639, in order for the partnership to submit a new proposal and develop a new grant agreement for the Hall Ranch Restoration project.

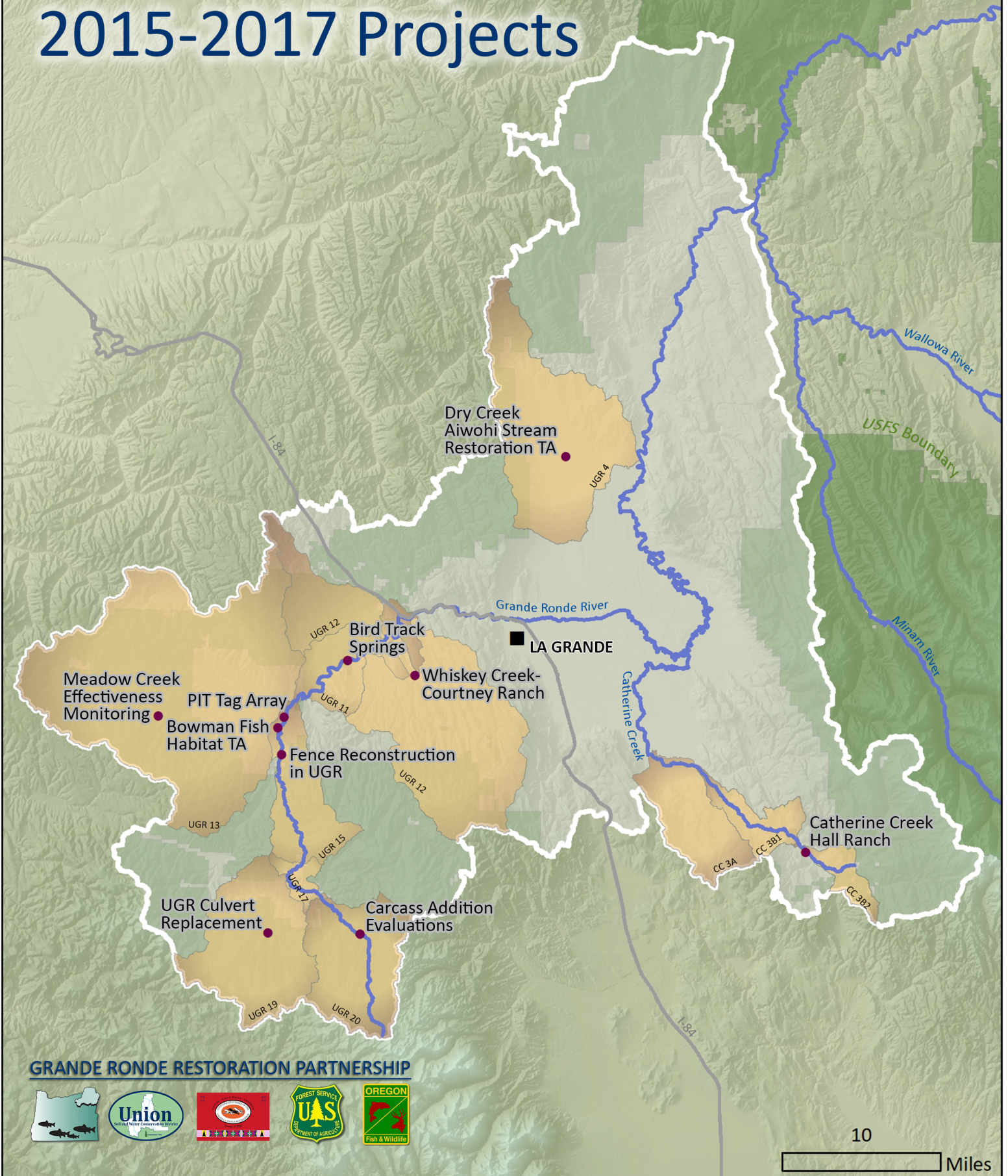
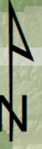
**Attachments**

- A. Map of restoration projects for the 2015-2017 biennium Upper Grande Ronde Restoration Partnership.

# Upper Grande Ronde Partnership 2015-2017 Projects

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## GRANDE RONDE RESTORATION PARTNERSHIP



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