Oregon's 2024 Integrated Water Resources Strategy Framework and Actions - Draft 1, March 2024

Focusing on: Climate change, population growth, land use change, economic impacts, and energy demand

Goal 1: Improve Understanding of Oregon's Water Resources

Objective 1: Understand Water Resources

Objective 2: Understand Instream and Out-of-Stream Needs

Objective 3: Understand the Pressures that Affect Our Needs and Supplies

Funding

1A [13A] - Fund Development and Implementation of Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy 1B [13B] – Fund Water Resources Management Activities at State Agencies

1C [13C-13E] – Invest in Planning, Feasibility Studies, and Water Resource Project Implementation

Chapter 1: Funding

Chapter 2: Partnerships and Planning

Education & Outreach

2A [8C] - Promote Community Education and Outreach 2B [8A] – Support Implementation of K-12 Environmental Literacy Plan 2C [8B] – Provide Career Training for the Next Generation of Water Professionals 2D [8D] – Identify Water Research Needs & Partnerships

Coordination & Collaboration [new]

3A [9C] – Partner with Tribes, Federal Agencies, and Neighboring States in Long-Term Water Resources Management 3B [6B] – Improve State Interagency Coordination 3C [new] – Lead Meaningful Community Engagement

Water Planning

4A [9A] – Support Integrated Place-Based Planning and Other Water **Planning Efforts** 4B [9B] - Coordinate State and Local Natural Resource Plans

Land Use Planning

5A [6A] – Improve Integration of Water Information and Land Use Planning 5B [6C] – Encourage Low Impact Development Practices and Green Infrastructure

Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning & Extreme Events

6A [5.5A] – Plan and Prepare for Drought & Wildfire Resiliency 6B [5.5B] – Plan and Prepare for Flood Events 6C [5.5C] – Plan and Prepare for a Cascadia Earthquake & Tsunami Event

Chapter 3: Data and Analysis

Water Resource/Supply Information

7A [1B] – Improve Water Resource Data Collection and Monitoring

- 7B [1A] Conduct Additional Groundwater Basin Studies
- 7C [1C] Enhance Interagency Data Coordination
- 7D [5A] Support Basin-Scale Climate Change Research

Instream & Ecosystem Water Needs

8A [4A] - Analyze the Effects on Water from Energy Development **Projects and Policies**

8B [3A] – Determine Instream Flow Needs (Quality and Quantity) 8C [3B] - Determine Needs of Groundwater-Dependent Ecosystems 8D [new] – Develop Instream & Ecosystem Water Demand Forecasts

Out-of-Stream Water Needs

9A [2B] – Improve Water-Use Measurement and Reporting 9B [2A] - Regularly Update Out-of-Stream Water Demand Forecasts

Healthy Ecosystems

Clean Water

11A [12A] – Ensure the Safety of Oregon's Drinking Water 11B [12B] – Reduce the Use of and Exposure to Toxics and Other Pollutants 11C [12C] – Implement Water Quality Pollution Controls

Water Use & Management

12C [10C] – Encourage Water Reuse Projects 12D [10B] – Improve Access to Storage 12F [10F] – Provide an Adequate Field Presence

Water Infrastructure

13A [7A] – Maintain, Upgrade, Decommission Water and Wastewater Infrastructure 13B [7B] – Encourage Regional (Sub-Basin) Water and Wastewater Systems 13C [7C] – Support Dam and Levee Safety

Water & Energy

14A [4B] – Develop Non-Traditional Hydroelectric Power 14B [4C] – Promote Strategies that Increase/Integrate Energy and Water Savings



Goal 2: Meet Oregon's Water Resources Needs Objective 4: Meet Oregon's Instream and Out-of-Stream Needs

Chapter 4: Stewardship

- 10A [11A] Improve Watershed Health, Resiliency, and Capacity for Natural Storage
- 10B [11D] Protect and Restore Instream Habitat and Fish Passage/Screening
- 10C [11B] Develop Additional Instream Protections
- 10D [11C] Prevent and Eradicate Invasive Species
- 10E [11E] Develop Additional Groundwater Protections

- 12A [2C] Determine Unadjudicated Water Right Claims
- 12B [10A] Improve Water-Use Efficiency and Water Conservation
- 12E [10D] Reach Environmental Outcomes with Non-Regulatory Alternatives
- 12G [10G] Strengthen Water Quantity and Water Quality Permitting Programs