



Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy

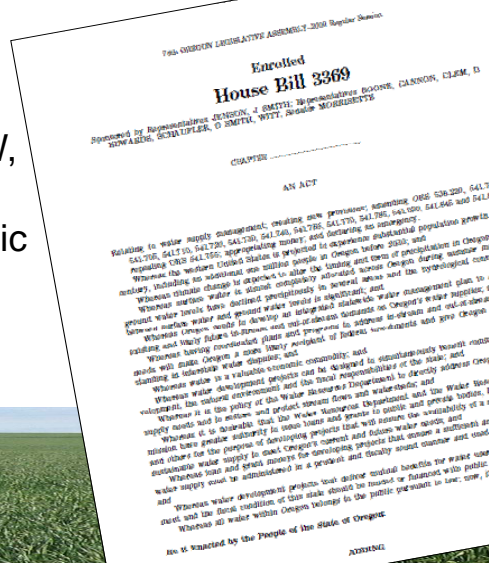


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Presented to AWSE

Oregon's House Bill 3369 (2009), Sect 44-45

- Directs Oregon Water Resources to lead efforts
- Partner with DEQ, ODFW, ODA, other agencies, tribes, stakeholders, public
- Account for coming changes in climate, land-use, population



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Goal: understand and meet Oregon's water resources needs...

...instream and out-of-stream

...quality, quantity, and ecosystem needs

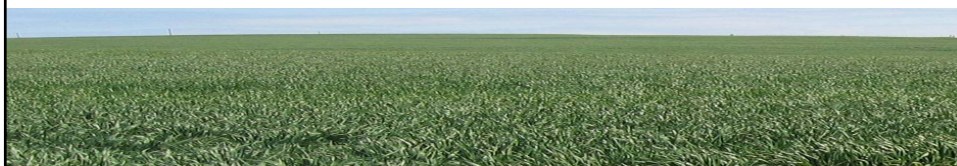
...today and in the future



The Strategy will provide an
“action agenda” for the next five years.

Recommend Actions in the following areas:

- Information/Data
- Planning Efforts
- Public Policy
- Statute/Rule
- Funding
- Outreach/Education



Some Overarching Principles

- Produce an Integrated Water Resources Strategy that serves as an action agenda.
- Recognize that needs & solutions may differ by basin.
- Maintain and sustain “beneficial uses.”
- Employ an open and publicly accessible process.
- Base decisions on best available science & local input.
- Allow for learning and adaptation over time.



Project Team

- Oregon Water Resources Department
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Oregon Department of Agriculture



Agency Advisory Group



- Oregon Water Resources Department
- Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Oregon Department of Agriculture
- Business Development Department
- Department of Energy
- Department of Forestry
- Dept. of Geology & Mineral Industries
- Department of Housing
- Human Services - Drinking Water
- Land Conservation/Development
- Parks & Recreation Dept.
- Dept. of State Lands
- Dept. of Transportation
- Watershed Enhancement Board
- Economic Revitalization Team
- Environmental Justice Task Force
- Oregon Plan – Core Team



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Regional Water Providers Consortium
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Policy Advisory Group

- January 19: “Organizational Meeting”
- April 14: Gaps in “Information and Data”
- July 13: Building upon Already-Existing “Plans”
- October 6: “Policies, Programs, Statute & Rule”
- January 6: “Funding, Public Education & Outreach”



Federal Liaison Group



- Bureau of Reclamation (Dept. of Interior)
- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA)
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- U.S. Forest Service (USDA)
- and -
- Bonneville Power Administration
- Bureau of Land Management (Dept. of Interior)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Geologic Survey (Dept. of Interior)



Project Timeline

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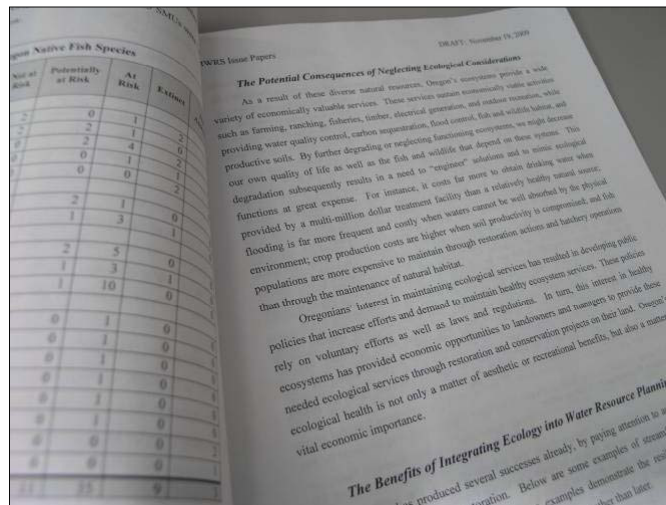
Phase I: Setting the Stage (Fall 2009)	Phase II: Identifying Water Resource Needs (Spring 2010)	Phase III: Developing a Framework and Toolbox (2010-2011)	Phase IV: Producing the 1 st Strategy (2012)	Phase V: Project Review (2012)



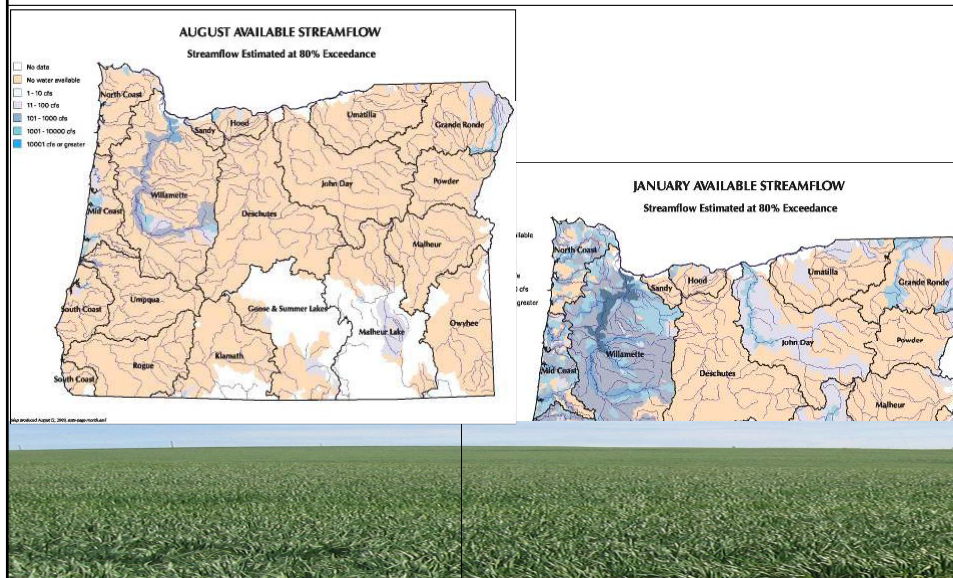
Issue (Background) Papers

- Overview
- Water Quantity
- Water Quality
- Economy
- Ecosystems & Ecology
- Social
- Climate Change

Taking public comment...

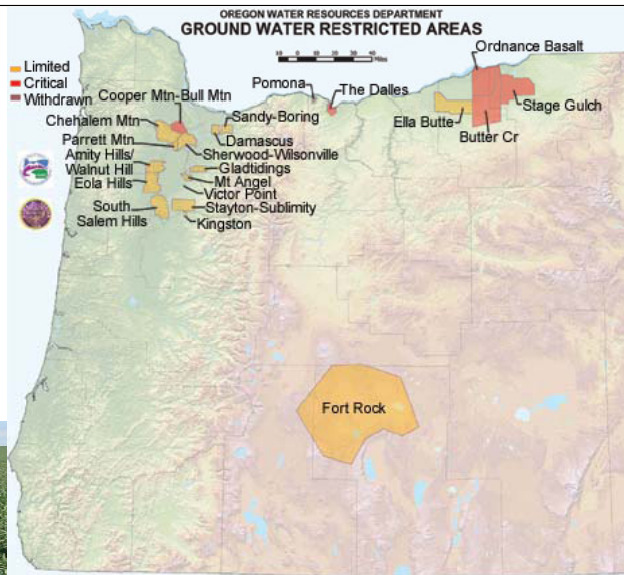


Allocation of Surface Water

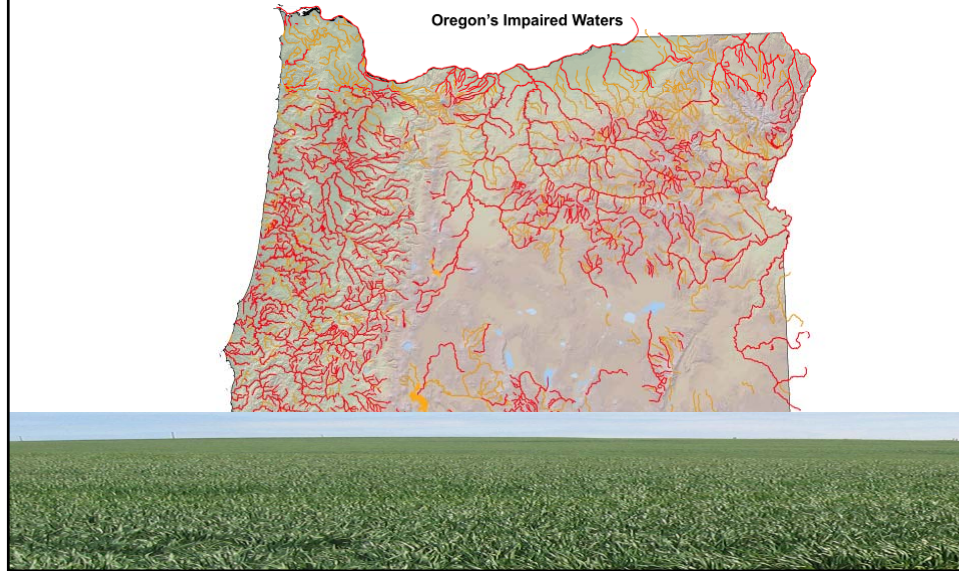


Groundwater

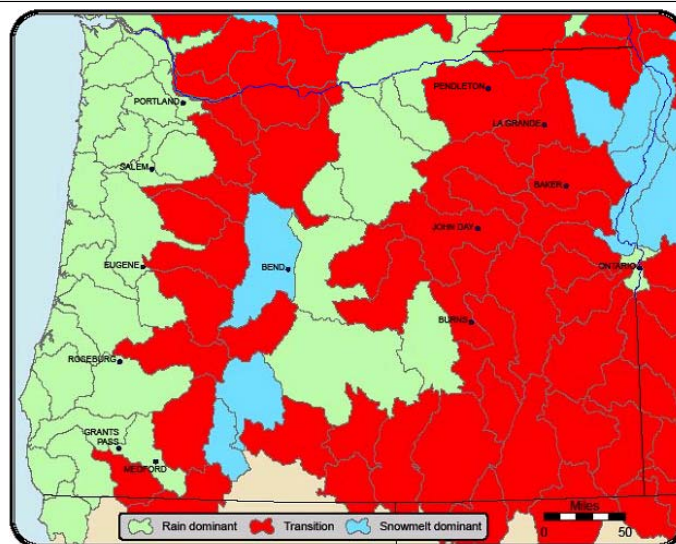
- 2 Areas of Withdrawal (no future development)
- 7 Critical Areas
- 14 Classified or Limited Areas
- 3 GMAs



Water Quality



Effects of Climate Change



What is an “ecological flow ?”

- ***“ecological flows,” which are not currently defined by statute, are instream flows needed to sustain ecosystem functions that native fish and wildlife species depend upon to survive and flourish. An adequately protected ecological flow regime includes baseflows as well as a variety of elevated flows that provide other habitat and ecosystem functions.***



First Component: Baseflows

- Needed for habitat functions such as spawning and rearing or migration and determined with habitat modeling or mapping or hydraulic and even hydrologic methods
- Can also represent mixing flows for water pollution abatement
- Widespread determinations in 1960's and 70's
 - (Oregon Method)
 - (with many made into instream water rights)



Donner and Blitzen River

What's "new": Elevated flow needs

Ecological Triggering Flows



**Revolves
around storage
projects!**

Channel Maintenance Flows



Planning Tools in Place

- Inventory of conservation opportunities
- Water demand forecast
- Inventory of potential storage sites



Inventory of Potential Conservation Opportunities

- Statewide
- Project Location
- Project Description
- Estimated Cost
- Water Savings
- Timeline
- Obstacles
- Other



Conservation Project Search - Windows Internet Explorer

http://agpcr.wednet.edu/conservation_project_search.aspx

Conservation Project Search

Area of Interest: All Counties | All Basins

Project No.	Focus	Description	County	Basin	Use	Funding	Supply or Demand (Original)	Seasonality (Proposed)	Seasonality (Implemented)	Implementation Status (Original)	Implementation Status (Implemented)	Implementation Barrier	Est. Future Savings (Original)	Est. Annual Savings	Est. Lifetime Savings
1	Minimizing Low Flow Withdrawals	Withdraw water from Columbia & Umatilla Rivers for storage in groundwater aquifers.	UMAT	7	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	When river flows are available at levels, or properly managed, to avoid impacts to listed species.	Peak Season	As funding becomes available.	Not Implemented	Funding. Current rules for allowing Columbia River withdrawals.	Approximately 80,000 acre-feet for recharge shallow and deep basal aquifers.	26,048	Insufficient Data
2	Hardware Action - Leaks	Line approximately 15 miles of an irrigation district canal.	DESC	5	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	Irrigation season	Peak Season	2009-2012	Not Implemented	Funding	22,000 acre-feet per year	7,169	Insufficient Data
3	Minimizing Low Flow Withdrawals	18,000 af impounded for multiple beneficial uses including hydropower.	BAKE	9	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	stored fall, winter, spring; safe release summer	Peak Season	7 years until construction	Not Implemented	Funding, ESA-bull trout.	18,000 af per year	5,865	Insufficient Data
4	Minimizing Low Flow Withdrawals	Implement USACE/CTUR Feasibility Study Project of a new Pine Creek Reservoir or a Columbia River Exchange	UMAT	7	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	water stored in Pine Creek reservoir or Lake Wallula in winter and spring	Peak Season	select preferred alternative. NEPA reviews, secure funding, construction likely in 2014	Not Implemented	Cost benefit evaluation, ongoing O&M costs, potential that NEPA identifies insurmountable problems.	50-100 cfs to remain in river.	5,839	Insufficient Data
5	Minimizing Low Flow Withdrawals	16,650 af impoundment instream N. Powder River - multiple beneficial uses including hydropower	BAKE	9	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	stored fall, winter, spring; safe release summer	Peak Season	7 years until construction	Not Implemented	Funding, possibly ESA, possibly land acquisition.	16,650 af per year	5,425	Insufficient Data
6	Hardware Action - Leaks	Pipe approximately 6.5 miles of open canal	DESC	5	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	Irrigation Season	Peak Season	2012-2015	Not Implemented	Funding	15,000 acre-feet per year	4,888	Insufficient Data
7	Hardware Action - Leaks	Pipe 4.5 miles of large canal	HOOD	4	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	yearly	Peak Season	Uncertain	Unknown	Funding	11,000 acre feet per year	3,504	Insufficient Data
8	Hardware Action - Leaks	Pipe approximately 2.25 miles of open canal	DESC	5	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	Irrigation season	Peak Season	2009-2012	Not Implemented	Funding	6,500 acre-feet per year	2,118	Insufficient Data
9	Hardware Action - Leaks	Pipe approximately 2.25 miles of open canal	DESC	5	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	Irrigation Season	Peak Season	2011-2014	Not Implemented	Funding	6,500 acre-feet per year	2,118	Insufficient Data
10	Minimizing Low Flow Withdrawals	4,900 af off-stream impoundment of Muddy Ck for multiple beneficial uses	BAKE	9	Agriculture	Capital	Supply Side	stored fall, winter, spring	Peak Season	10 years	Not Implemented	Funding	4,900 af per year	1,597	Insufficient Data

Water Demand Forecast

1.
Out-of-Stream Uses
 (additive report individually
 and as a sum)

Municipal Systems
 +
 Household Wells
 +
 Self-supplied Industry
 +
 Agricultural Irrigation

2.
Instream Uses
 (not additive report separately)

Hydropower
 &
 Instream (Surrogate)



Graph and Table Parameter Selection

Selected Geographic Area: Statewide

Selected Name: Administrative Basin

Selected Month: Annual

Selected Crop Group: TOTAL

Selected Municipal/Domestic Well Demand Type: Total

Display Units: Acre-Feet

Chart Types (Choose Option)

1. Demand Line Chart

2. Demand by Major Sectors Stacked Bar Chart

3. Demand for MDI Sectors Stacked Bar Chart

4. Show Charts 1, 2, & 3 Show All

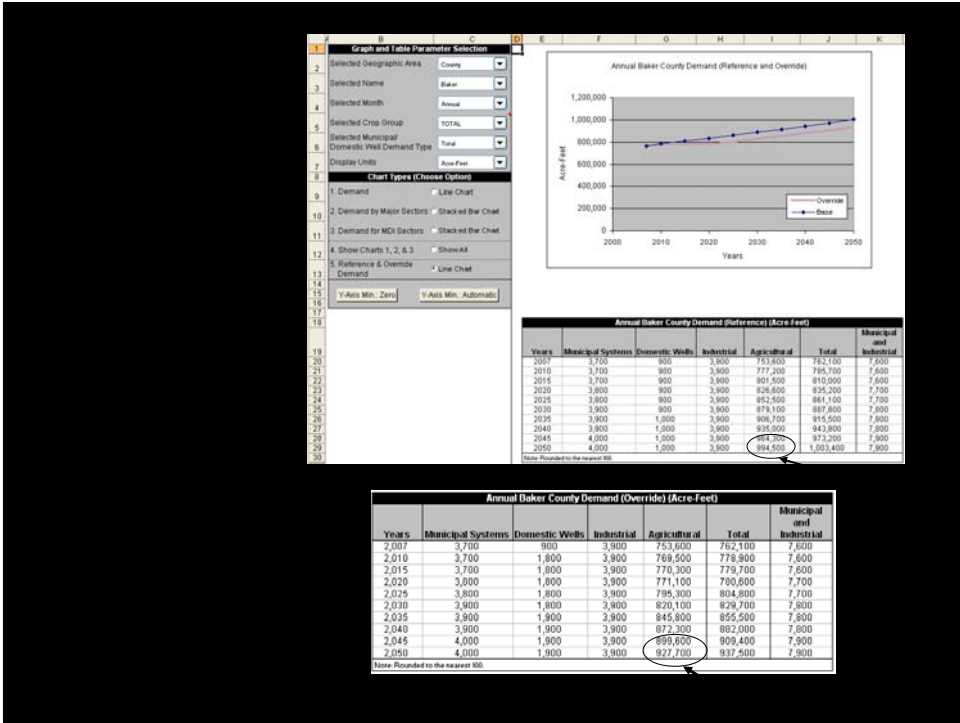
5. Reference & Override Demand Line Chart

Y-Axis Min.: Zero Y-Axis Min.: Automatic

Annual Administrative Basins Statewide Demand (Reference)

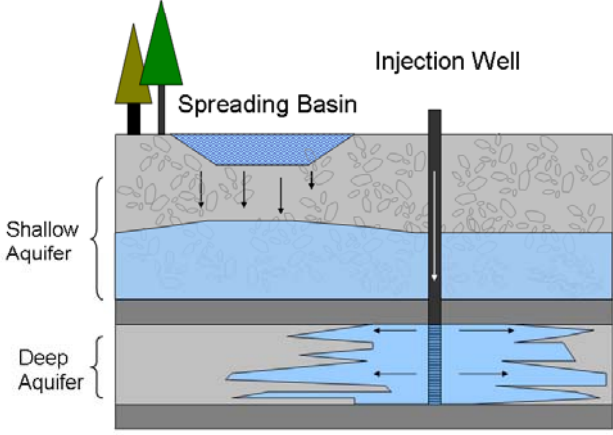
Annual Administrative Basins Statewide Demand (Reference) (Acre-Feet)						
Years	Municipal Systems	Domestic Wells	Industrial	Agricultural	Total	Municipal and Industrial
2007	539,900	80,700	533,600	7,780,300	8,934,500	1,073,500
2010	560,300	83,600	533,600	7,880,800	9,058,300	1,093,900
2015	597,400	89,000	533,600	7,983,600	9,203,600	1,131,000
2020	637,300	94,700	535,100	8,088,700	9,355,800	1,172,400
2025	675,200	100,000	533,600	8,196,200	9,505,000	1,208,800
2030	713,900	105,400	533,600	8,306,200	9,659,100	1,247,500
2035	752,400	110,700	533,600	8,418,700	9,815,400	1,286,000
2040	793,300	116,400	535,100	8,533,800	9,978,600	1,328,400
2045	833,400	121,900	533,600	8,651,600	10,140,500	1,367,000
2050	877,200	128,000	533,600	8,772,100	10,310,900	1,410,800

Note: Rounded to the nearest 100.



Methods of Underground Storage

- Infiltration
- Injection



Ground Water Project Search - Windows Internet Explorer

http://apps2.wrd.state.or.us/apps/planning/owsci/gw_project_search.aspx

OREGON Water Resources Department

Below Ground Storage Site Search

Area of Interest: Map Format: Google Maps Google Earth (kml)

Name	Type	County	Basin #	Status	
BAKER CITY ASR	ASR	BAKE	9	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details
BAKER CITY BASIN-FILL	ASR/AR	BAKE	9	POTENTIAL PROJECT	Map Details
BLITZEN SAND AND GRAVEL	AR	HARN	12	POTENTIAL PROJECT	Map Details
BUELL-RED PRAIRE DOMESTIC WATER ASSOCIATION AR	AR	POLK	2	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details
BURNS AREA BASIN-FILL	AR/ASR	HARN	12	POTENTIAL PROJECT	Map Details
CITY OF BEAVERTON AND TUALATIN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ASR	ASR	WASH	2	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details
CITY OF DALLAS ASR	ASR	POLK	2	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details
CITY OF PENDLETON ASR	ASR	UMAT	7	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details
CITY OF SALEM ASR	ASR	MARI	2	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details
CITY OF TIGARD ASR	ASR	WASH	2	EXISTING PROJECT	Map Details

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OWSCI Potential Below Ground Storage Sites - Google Maps - Windows Internet Explorer

http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&geocode=8q=http:%2F%2Fapps2.wrd.state.or.us%2Fapps%2Fplanning%2Fowsci%2Fg

OWSCI Potential Below Ground Storage Sites

CITY OF PENDLETON ASR

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Below Ground Storage Site Details

Project Name: CITY OF PENDLETON ASR
Authorized: LIMITED LICENSE
Status: EXISTING PROJECT
Type: ASR

Location Information (Hide Details...)

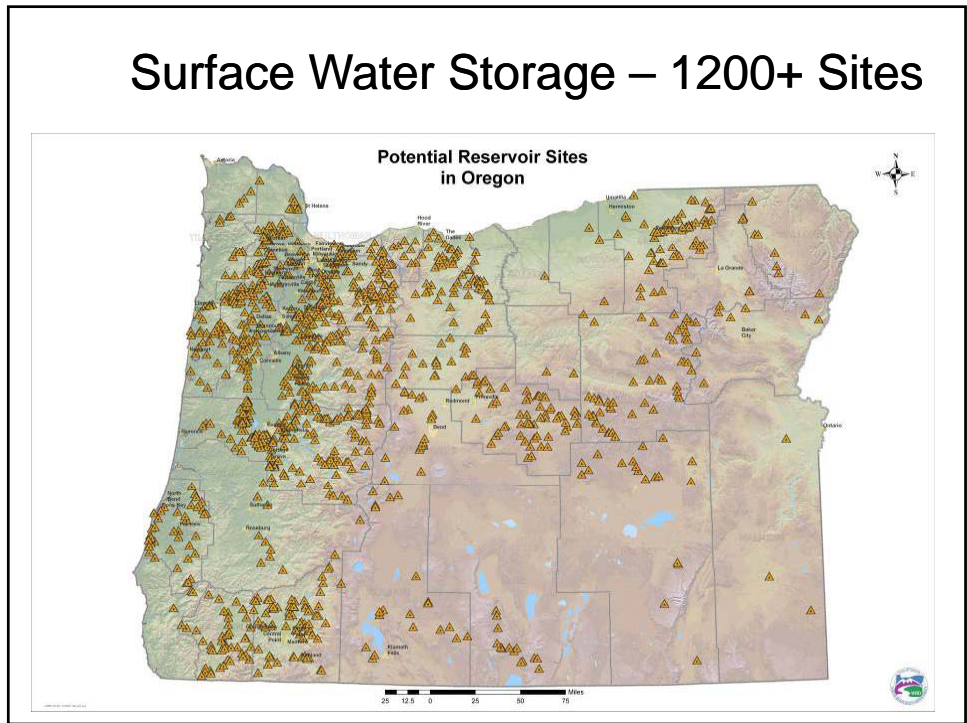
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County: UMAT
Basin Name: UMATILLA

Aquifer Information (Show Details...)

Associated Documents			Associated Wells			
Title	Type	Description	Well Log	Tag	Current Well Name	Previous Well Name
GROUND WATER RESOURCES OF THE ROGUE RIVER BASIN, OREGON	RPT	GEOLOGY, GROUNDWATER, WELLS, SPRINGS, WATER QUALITY (1959)	UMAT 530		WELL #5	STILLMAN WELL
GROUNDWATER STUDIES IN UMATILLA AND MORROW COUNTIES	RPT	DOGAMI REPORT: GEOLOGY, WELLS, SPRINGS (1949)	UMAT 531		WELL #1	BYERS WELL
PENDLETON 2006 ASR ANNUAL REPORT	RPT	2006 SUMMARY OF PENDLETON INJECTION AND RECOVERY	UMAT 53635		WELL #2	ROUND-UP WELL
PENDLETON ASR FEASIBILITY REPORT	RPT	ANALYSIS OF PENDLETON HYDROGEOLOGY, WATER AVAILABILITY, INFRASTRUCTURE	UMAT 54072	L 33771	WELL #14	
PENDLETON ASR PROJECT OVERVIEW	RPT	PENDLETON ASR LOCATION, HISTORY, GEOLOGY	UMAT 55925	L 33771	WELL #14	
THE HYDROGEOLOGIC FRAMEWORK AND GEOCHEMISTRY OF THE COLUMBIA PLATEAU AQUIFER SYSTEM	RPT	USGS PROFESSIONAL PAPER 1413-B: HYDROGEOLOGIC UNITS, STRUCTURE, HYDRAULICS (1994)				

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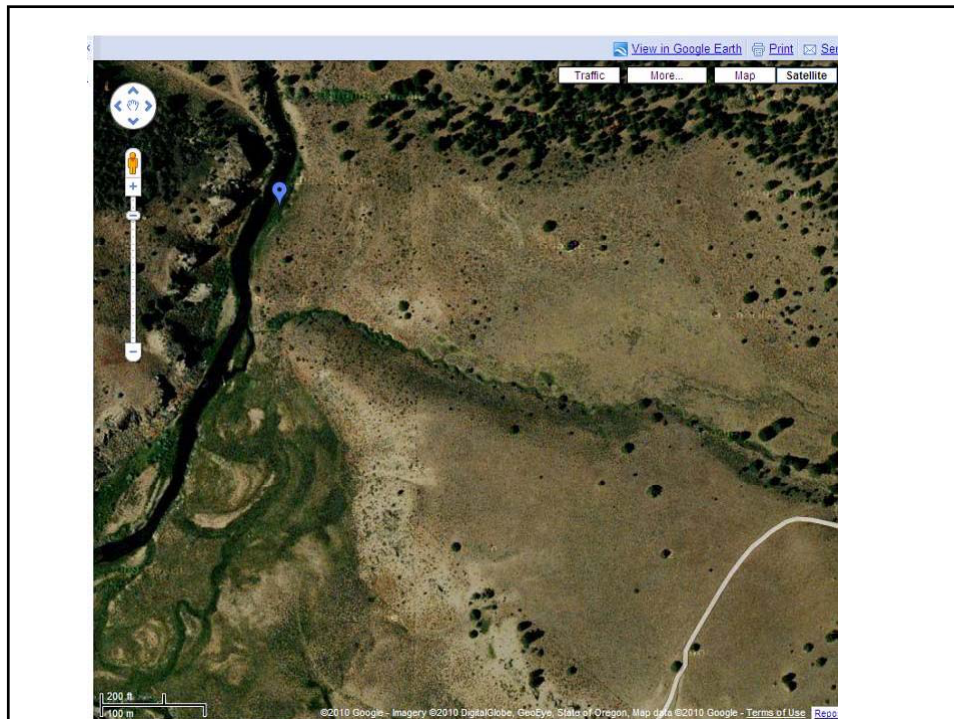
Above Ground Potential Storage Project Search

Area of Interest: Lake County
All Basins Google Maps Google Earth (kml)

Project #	Name	Site	Type	County	Basin #	T-R-S	Information Source	
2054	AUGUR CREEK	1	Future project	LAKE	13	38.00S-19.00E-3	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, 1988	Map Details
2050	BAUERS CREEK	1	Future project	LAKE	13	38.00S-20.00E-18	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, 1988	Map Details
2099	BEAR CR	1	Future project	LAKE	13	34.00S-18.00E-28	USGS RIVER PLANS AND PROFILES 1938	Map Details
2112	BIG VALLEY	1	Future project	LAKE	13	40.00S-22.00E-4	USGS RIVER PLANS AND PROFILES 1939	Map Details
2052	BULLARD CANYON	1	Future project	LAKE	13	39.00S-20.00E-13	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, 1988	Map Details
2110	CAMAS	1	Future project	LAKE	13	39.00S-21.00E-1	USGS RIVER PLANS AND PROFILES 1939	Map Details
2048	CAMPGROUND	1	Future project	LAKE	13	38.00S-18.00E-1	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, 1988	Map Details
2055	COFFEEPOT	1	Future project	LAKE	13	35.00S-18.00E-4	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT; DAM SAFETY FILE; COFFEEPOT RESERVOIR 1962-88	Map Details
2051	COX CREEK	1	Future project	LAKE	13	38.00S-20.00E-5	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, 1988	Map Details
2049	COX FLAT	1	Future project	LAKE	13	37.00S-18.00E-27	OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, 1988	Map Details

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Above Ground Potential Storage Opportunity

Project Name: COFFEEPOT
Project Nbr: 2055 **Site Nbr:** 1
Configuration: 1 **Type:** Future project
Information: OREGON WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT; DAM SAFETY FILE; COFFEEPOT RESERVOIR
Source: 1962-88
Remarks:

Location Information (Hide Details...)

County: LAKE [View on a map](#)
Basin: 13 **Off Stream:** No
Stream: CHEWAUCAN R -> L ABERT
T-R-S: 35.00S-18.00E-4
Lat/Long: 42.55781674, -120.59156407
Oregon Lambert (x, y): 1287658.15893 ,294527.99558
Water Availability Basin: [CHEWAUCAN R > L ABERT - AB COON HQI](#)
Land Ownership: USFS NATIONAL FOREST

Project Information (Show Details...)

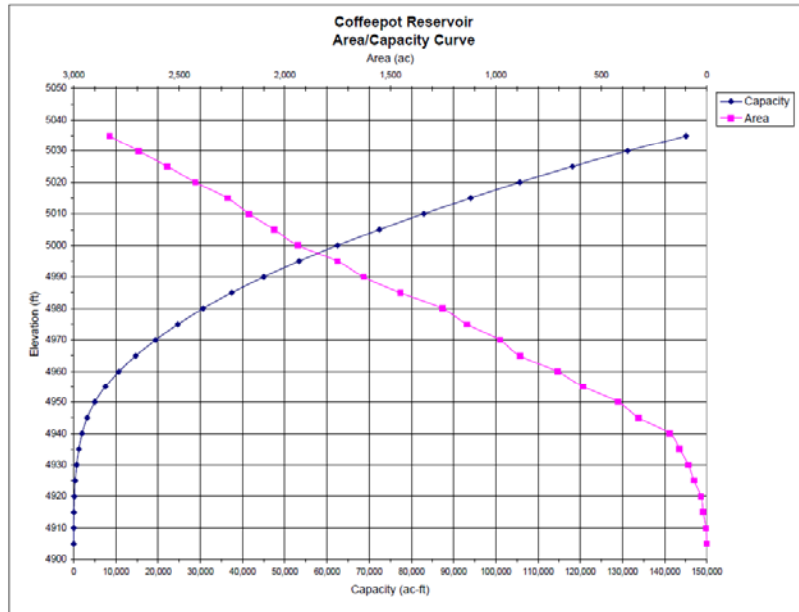
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Associated Documents

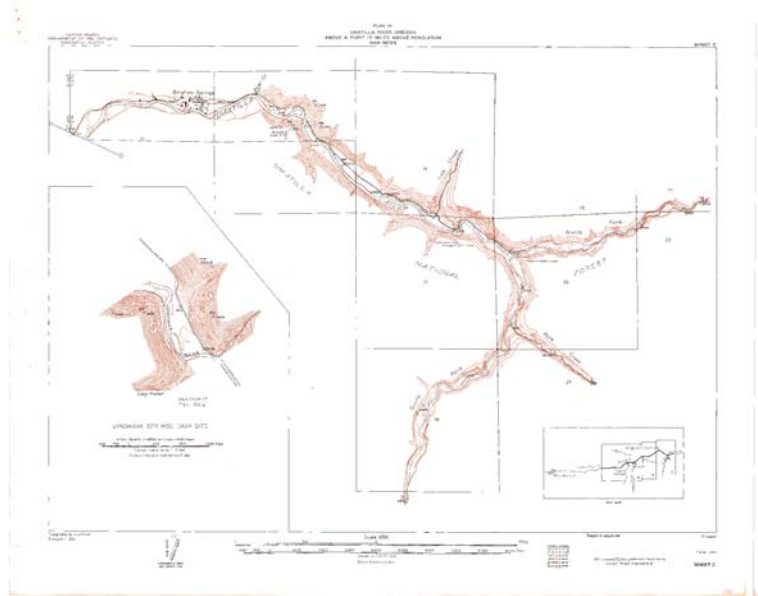
Title	Type
AREA CAPACITY CURVE	
AREA CAPACITY TABLE	
COFFEEPOT DAM ENGINEERING PLANNING REPORT	
MAP OF SITE	
MAP OF SITE2	
PEAK FLOW ESTIMATE	
PHOTO1	
PHOTO2	

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Area/Capacity Curve



Scanned Maps



2010 IWRS Events

- 12 open house events (11 + 1 on-line)
- 31 stakeholder workshops
- 79 survey responses
- September 2009 - August 2010
- Wide variety of stakeholders and partners
- More than 1,000 participants
- Structured discussion ver, sim, I, – brainstorming “vision,” “challenges,” and “solutions.”



2010 Results: "Vision"

The Physical Resource

- healthy aquatic ecosystems
- safe for drinking
- clean for fish
- swimmable water
- provides for all uses



Improving Our Understanding

- population growth, climate change impacts
- useful groundwater data
- public understands the importance of wetlands
- public understands the water use cycle
- watershed approach (think "living systems")

2010 Results: "Vision"

Hopes and Goals for Meeting our Water Needs

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| - public support (financing) | - increased storage |
| - protect all beneficial uses | - increase ISWR's and SWW designations |
| - protect water rights | - prevent point and non-point source pollution |
| - regional flexibility | - prevent barriers to movement |
| - balance | - protect watersheds |
| - water meets land-use planning | - promote water efficiency and conservation |
| - avoid environmental injustices | - protect agricultural users |
| - connect the consumer to grower | - promote rec, cled, _ra_ water, and rainwater use |
| - emphasize local-planning | - tax incentives |
| - protect ecological flows | - promote sustainable use of water |

2010 Results: “Challenges” to Understanding & Meeting Water Needs

- Changing or Uncertain Regulatory Environment
- Climate Change Threats
- Conflict, Lack of Cooperation
- Data Gaps
- Funding
- Maze of Public Institutions
- Natural Disasters
- Population Growth Threats
- Public Unwillingness
- Threats to Meeting Water Quality Needs
- Threats to Meeting Water Quantity Needs
- Threats to Meeting Ecological Needs



2010 Results: “Solutions” to These Threats

1. Addressing Groundwater Issues
2. Water Conservation / Water Efficiency
3. Water Quality / Public Health
4. Water Storage
5. Allocation and Adjudication
6. Water Re-Use
7. Addressing Instream Needs
8. Climate Change Adaptation
9. The Water – Land-Use Nexus
10. Restoration
11. Water Marketing / Water Banking
12. Infrastructure for Water and Wastewater
13. Natural Disaster Preparation
14. Stormwater / Low Impact Development (LID)
15. The Water – Energy Nexus
16. Desalination

IWRS Framework

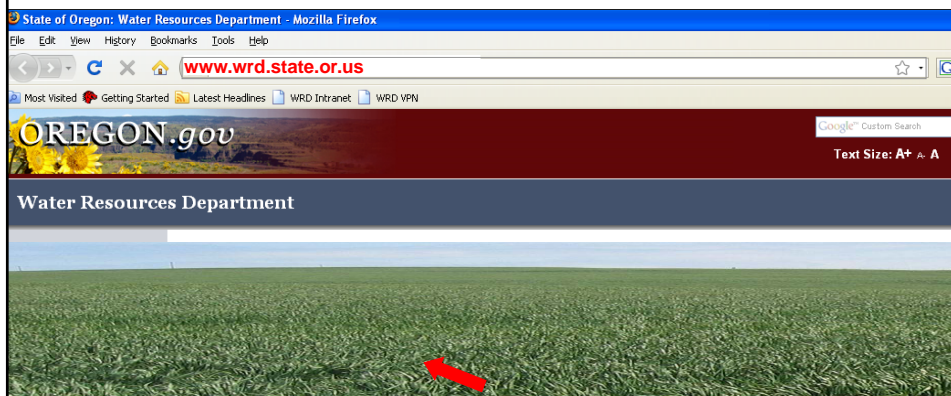
- Data / Information
- Planning & Institutional Structures
- Public Policy & Programs
- Statute & Rule
- Funding
- Public Education & Outreach

Next Steps

- Take 2010 results document to the October 6, 2010 Policy Advisory Group.
- Begin paring down & prioritizing.
- The Agency Advisory Group will fill in more detail.
- The Policy Advisory Group will help craft recommended actions.
- Review and vet with Stakeholders.
- Public review / hearings in 2011.

How to Stay Involved

- Download and review the materials from the project page
- Sign up for the project listserv
- Send any comments to: waterstrategy@state.or.us



Summary / Conclusion

- Development of Oregon's 1st Integrated Water Resources Strategy
- Because It Makes Sense
- 1st iteration due to the Legislature in 2012
- So...Please continue to participate!



Thank You

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