Oregon Water Resources Department 2015-17 Budget Presentation Joint Ways & Means Natural Resources Subcommittee

Phase 2

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KPM #8

IMPLEMENT 2000 WATER MEASUREMENT STRATEGY



1909 Water Code & Prior Appropriation

First in time, first in right.

"Junior User" 1970 Water Right

This water right is regulated back to meet the downstream need of the senior water right.

"Senior User" 1910 Water Right

This water right gets water first during times of low streamflow.

CONTEXT: Integrated Water Resource Strategy

IWRS Recommended Actions:

- Understand water resources today
- Understand instream and out-ofstream needs
- Understand the coming pressures that affect our needs and supplies
- Meet Oregon's instream and out-ofstream needs
- Budget Investments
 - Integrated Water Resources Development
 - Strengthening Department Core Functions
 - Helping Communities Solve Water Challenges



OREGON'S INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES STRATEGY



CONTEXT: Available Surface Water

Water availability for live flow allocation in August



Water availability for storage in January



CONTEXT: Status of Groundwater



-OWRD GW (kcw), 01/23/2015 (G:\dev\ground_water\State\gw_level_change_analysis\gw_lvl_change_analysis_2015_01.mxd)

CONTEXT: Status of Groundwater



--OWRD GW (kcw), 9/18/2014 (G:\dev\ground_water\State\/egislature_2015\gw_restricted_areas.mxd)

CONTEXT: Precipitation Conditions



CONTEXT: Snowpack Conditions



CONTEXT: Declining Snowpack

Precipitation arriving as rain instead of snow:

- flashier flood-prone systems
- decreased summertime run-off to surface water
- reduced recharge to groundwater aquifers



Current Precipitation Conditions

Red, yellow, and orange hues represent areas where a large percentage of precipitation falls as snow.

Snow-dominant areas largely disappear with a rise in air temperature.

CONTEXT: U.S. Drought Monitor



http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu

Technical Assistance - Pkg. #115

- Water Supply Engineer
- Place-based Planning Coordinators
- Project Manager
- Water supply technical coordinator
- Water supply project manager
- Finance analyst



Funding Support:

- Planning Pkg. #115
 - \$750,000 Lottery Bonds
- Project Feasibility Pkg. #106
 - \$750,000 Base Budget + Additional \$2 million in Lottery Bonds
- Project Finance and Implementation
 - \$17.25 million Lottery Bonds Pkg. #113
 - \$30 million GO Bonds Pkg. #120
- Grant Specialists Pkg. #106 & #113



Planning



Project Finance and Implementation

Grant Specialists \$302,000

SB 266 – 2015 Legislation for Place-Based Planning

Summary of Funding

\$20M

\$30M

Lottery Bonds

GO Bonds

Evaluate	Project Finance
Project	and
Feasibility	Implementation
Pkg. #106	 Pkg. #113 \$17.25M for Water
Second State Study Study Grants	Supply Development
Specialist	Loans and Grants Grant Specialist Pkg. #120 \$30M for Water
	Project FeasibilityPkg. #106\$2M for Feasibility Study Grants.75 FTE Grant

Development Loans

Technical Assistance

Pkg. #115

- Water Supply Project Manager
- Water Supply Engineer
- 2 Place-based Planning Coordinators
- Finance Analyst
- Water Supply Technical Coordinator

Strengthening WRD Core Functions and Supporting Communities in Addressing Water Challenges

- Klamath Coordinator Pkg. #101
- Water Rights Special Projects Pkg. #101
- Hydrotech in the Klamath Basin Pkg. #104
- Monitoring Coordinator Pkg. #110
- **Regional Solutions Coordinator** Pkg. #105



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Additional Slides for Reference



Package #115

Supporting Project Development & Place-Based Planning 6 FTE - \$1.2M GF; \$750K LB - \$56K for cost of issuance and debt service

- Allow state to work with communities to identify, evaluate, and develop water resources solutions to meet instream and out-of-stream needs
- Adds a water supply project manager, water supply engineer, finance analyst, water supply technical coordinator, and two place-based planning coordinators
- \$750,000 for place-based planning grants



Package #106 Funding Feasibility Studies

.75 FTE - \$140K GF; \$2M LB - \$150K for cost of issuance and debt service

- Adds an additional \$2 million for SB 1069 (2008) feasibility study grants to study the feasibility of developing water conservation, reuse, or storage projects
- Add staffing capacity (currently at .25 FTE) to administer and oversee the grant program



Package #113 Funding Water Supply Projects

1 FTE - \$187K GF; \$17.25M LB - \$1.3M cost of issuance and debt service

- Supports water resources projects to meet current and future instream and out-of-stream water needs essential for economic growth, environmental health, and the welfare of all Oregonians
- Recapitalizes the Water Supply Development Account (SB 839 in 2013) and the Water Supply Fund with \$17.25 million for grants and loans for water projects
- Adds a position to administer and oversee grants and loans



Package #120

Facilitating Water Development Loans

\$30M GO Bonds - \$1.7 M for cost of issuance and debt service

- Recapitalizes the Water Development Loan Fund using dedicated General Obligation Bonds for the purposes of financing water development projects
- Issuance of funds only after an agreement is signed for repayment by the borrower(s)



Supporting Communities & Core Functions

Package #101 Klamath Coordination and Water Right Special Projects 2FTE – 427K GF

- A Klamath coordinator will focus on the day-to-day needs to implement the Klamath settlements
- Water right specialist
 - Process Klamath leases and transfers
 - Work on other key water right transactions needs, including backlogs related to extensions, claims of beneficial use, and certificate issuance

Chapter 5: Supporting Communities & Core Functions

Package # 104 Data and Water Management in the Klamath Basin 1FTE - 182k GF

- Completion of the administrative phase of the Klamath adjudication and water settlements
- Significant increase in data collection and processing to provide timely information to manage substantial water supply challenges in the basin
- Adds one position for data collection and water management support

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Current W	ater Year Stream M	leasurements		
			Records per Pa	ge: 10
Site Type	Station Nbr/Stream	Description	<u>Date</u>	Discharge
Gage	<u>11491400</u>	WILLIAMSON R BL SHEEP CR NR LENZ, OR	1/20/2015	55.00
Gage	<u>11491400</u>	WILLIAMSON R BL SHEEP CR NR LENZ, OR	12/2/2014	50.00
Gage	<u>11491400</u>	WILLIAMSON R BL SHEEP CR NR LENZ, OR	10/13/2014	44.00
Gage	<u>11494000</u>	WILLIAMSON R AB SPRING CR NR KLAMATH AGENCY, OR	2/9/2015	24.00
Gage	<u>11494000</u>	WILLIAMSON R AB SPRING CR NR KLAMATH AGENCY, OR	1/12/2015	21.00
Gage	<u>11494000</u>	WILLIAMSON R AB SPRING CR NR KLAMATH AGENCY, OR	11/18/2014	19.00
Gage	<u>11494000</u>	WILLIAMSON R AB SPRING CR NR KLAMATH AGENCY, OR	10/28/2014	18.00
Gage	<u>11494100</u>	LARKIN CR NR CHILOQUIN	2/9/2015	9.60
Gage	<u>11494100</u>	LARKIN CR NR CHILOQUIN	1/12/2015	7.80

Chapter 5: Supporting Communities & Core Functions

Package # 105 Establishing a Regional Solutions Community Liaison 1FTE - 207k GF

- Adds one position to increase Department capacity to participate in Regional Solutions' activities and support communities in resolving water-related issues
- This position will serve as a liaison to Regional Solutions teams, providing technical guidance, data, and permitting assistance

Chapter 5: Supporting Communities & Core Functions

Package #110 Monitoring Coordination for Efficient Data Sharing and Management 1FTE - 211k GF

- Adds a monitoring coordinator to coordinate inter-agency water quantity and quality monitoring efforts, fill data gaps, and make improvements to how we gather, process and share data and information
- This position would assess water resource data needs and provide data quality assurance in working with local, state, federal, and tribal governments, as well as non-governmental entities and other partners