

Requested by Representative OWENS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 3106**

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, delete “declaring an emergency” and insert  
2 “prescribing an effective date”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 10 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. Interagency data coordination. (1) The Integrated**  
5 **Water Data Team is created. Each of the following shall designate one**  
6 **member of the board or institute, or one member who is an employee**  
7 **of the department or authority, to serve on the Integrated Water Data**  
8 **Team:**

9 **“(a) The Water Resources Department;**

10 **“(b) The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board;**

11 **“(c) The Department of Environmental Quality;**

12 **“(d) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife;**

13 **“(e) The Department of State Lands;**

14 **“(f) The State Department of Agriculture;**

15 **“(g) The State Forestry Department;**

16 **“(h) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries;**

17 **“(i) The Institute for Natural Resources; and**

18 **“(j) The Oregon Health Authority.**

19 **“(2) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries shall**  
20 **be the lead agency to coordinate the Integrated Water Data Team**  
21 **unless the Governor designates another agency to be the lead agency.**

1       **“(3) The team shall improve communication and data sharing**  
2 **among agencies and improve interagency coordination efforts to in-**  
3 **crease accessibility, interoperability and usability of water data to**  
4 **support water and watershed planning and management, including but**  
5 **not limited to water quantity, water quality, watershed health,**  
6 **habitat, ecology and water infrastructure data.**

7       **“(4) The team shall work together to achieve the following goals:**

8       **“(a) Increasing the availability, accessibility and usability of exist-**  
9 **ing data and information that supports water and watershed planning**  
10 **and management at the basin or watershed scale;**

11       **“(b) Increasing water data sets included in the integrated water**  
12 **data portal as provided under section 2 of this 2025 Act;**

13       **“(c) Developing and maintaining an inventory of existing water**  
14 **data, identifying gaps in water data and prioritizing investments in**  
15 **water data;**

16       **“(d) Supporting data needs related to the development of the inte-**  
17 **grated state water resources strategy, including satisfying the re-**  
18 **quirement in ORS 536.220 (5) to forecast Oregon’s in-stream and**  
19 **out-of-stream water needs;**

20       **“(e) Supporting the data needs related to the Oregon Plan for**  
21 **Salmon and Watersheds, including satisfying the requirements de-**  
22 **scribed in ORS 541.972;**

23       **“(f) Supporting other interagency coordination activities related to**  
24 **water data collection and use;**

25       **“(g) Promoting adoption of and adherence to protocols and common**  
26 **water data standards within each participating agency;**

27       **“(h) Developing and supporting processes within each participating**  
28 **agency to strategically sequence water data sets for inclusion in the**  
29 **integrated water data portal on a biennial basis, including projects**  
30 **needed to prepare the data sets for inclusion; and**

1       “(i) Avoiding duplication and increasing usefulness and public ac-  
2       cessibility of water data.

3       “SECTION 2. Integrated water data portal. (1) As used in this sec-  
4       tion, ‘state agency’ means an agency of the executive department, as  
5       defined in ORS 174.112.

6       “(2) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries shall  
7       work with the Integrated Water Data Team established under section  
8       1 of this 2025 Act to:

9       “(a) Create and maintain a statewide integrated water data portal  
10       that provides a single point of access for water-related data;

11       “(b) Develop and maintain protocols and common water data stan-  
12       dards necessary to support inclusion of water data in an integrated  
13       water data portal. These protocols and standards should support the  
14       discoverability, accessibility, interoperability and reuse of digital as-  
15       sets and, to the extent possible, should be guided by existing protocols  
16       and standards;

17       “(c) Develop criteria and support a process for strategically se-  
18       quencing water datasets for inclusion in the integrated water data  
19       portal on a biennial basis, including projects needed to prepare the  
20       datasets for inclusion;

21       “(d) Establish a governance structure, through memorandums of  
22       agreement or other mechanisms, that supports sustainable ongoing  
23       operations of the integrated water data portal;

24       “(e) Consult and collaborate with other providers and users of water  
25       data to improve the functionality and usefulness of the integrated  
26       water data portal and increase accessibility of water data over time;

27       “(f) Collaborate with other regional and national efforts to share,  
28       integrate and manage water data; and

29       “(g) Take into consideration the recommendations contained in re-  
30       ports developed by the Department of Environmental Quality when

1 **creating the integrated water data portal.**

2 **“(3) The integrated water data portal must:**

3 **“(a) Publish data in machine-readable formats and, when feasible,**  
4 **ensure data published via the integrated water data portal is interop-**  
5 **erable;**

6 **“(b) Be designed to support water decision-making at different**  
7 **scales and for different uses, supported by technical experts in water**  
8 **quantity and quality;**

9 **“(c) Be informed over time by input and feedback provided by users**  
10 **of water data and be developed in response to specific use cases of**  
11 **water data;**

12 **“(d) Be designed to allow for integration of water data from diverse**  
13 **water data providers, including state agencies, federal agencies, local**  
14 **governments, Indian tribes, academic institutions, nongovernmental**  
15 **organizations and other entities;**

16 **“(e) Take into consideration lessons learned and opportunities pre-**  
17 **sented by the Oregon Open Data Portal in existence before the effec-**  
18 **tive date of this 2025 Act; and**

19 **“(f) Be hosted on a platform operated and maintained by the office**  
20 **of Enterprise Information Services within the Oregon Department of**  
21 **Administrative Services.**

22 **“(4) For data that is not already publicly available, permission must**  
23 **be granted by the data provider before including data in the integrated**  
24 **water data portal.**

25 **“(5) Nothing in this section prevents a state agency from dissem-**  
26 **inating, managing or publishing data separately from the portal, but**  
27 **all state agencies that produce, collect, process or maintain water data**  
28 **shall strive to adhere to the documented standards and protocols de-**  
29 **veloped under this section.**

30 **“(6) State agencies that fund the collection, processing or improve-**

1 ment of water data may, as a condition of the receipt of a grant or  
2 contract, require adherence to the water data standards and protocols  
3 developed under this section and any other conditions that increase  
4 the likelihood of the data being included in the integrated water data  
5 portal.

6 “(7) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries may  
7 enter into an agreement with an existing governmental or private en-  
8 tity or an organization developed under ORS chapter 190 that supports  
9 the participation of local, state and federal partners in the develop-  
10 ment and use of the integrated water data portal, to improve coordi-  
11 nation and collaboration between water data providers, water data  
12 users and water data experts on the collection, maintenance and use  
13 of water data, as well as to perform necessary research or outreach  
14 to support portal development and use.

15 “(8) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries shall  
16 contract with technical experts to develop tools and applications for  
17 the integrated water data portal, including, but not limited to, the  
18 Institute for Natural Resources, Oregon State University’s Center for  
19 Applied Systems and Software and any other water data experts that  
20 may be useful in creation of the integrated water data portal.

21 “(9) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries may  
22 contract with third parties to carry out its duties under this section.

23 **“SECTION 3. Integrated Water Data Account. (1) The Integrated**  
24 **Water Data Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and**  
25 **distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the account shall**  
26 **be credited to the account. All moneys in the account are continuously**  
27 **appropriated to the State Department of Geology and Mineral Indus-**  
28 **tries.**

29 “(2) The department may accept gifts, grants or contributions from  
30 any source, whether public or private, for deposit in the Integrated

1 **Water Data Account.**

2 **“(3) The account consists of:**

3 **“(a) Moneys appropriated to the account by the Legislative Assem-**  
4 **bly.**

5 **“(b) Moneys from any federal, state or other grants.**

6 **“(c) Moneys received under subsection (2) of this section.**

7 **“(d) Earnings on the account.**

8 **“(4) Expenditures by the department from the Integrated Water**  
9 **Data Account shall be made only for the following purposes:**

10 **“(a) Developing and implementing the integrated water data portal**  
11 **under section 2 of this 2025 Act.**

12 **“(b) Implementing actions taken by the Integrated Water Data**  
13 **Team to accomplish the goals specified in sections 1 and 2 of this 2025**  
14 **Act.**

15 **“(c) Making distributions to state agencies that are part of the In-**  
16 **tegrated Water Data Team.**

17 **“(d) Making grants to entities other than members of the team for**  
18 **the collection, management and improvement of water data for the**  
19 **purposes of developing, maintaining or improving the integrated water**  
20 **data portal established under section 2 of this 2025 Act.**

21 **“(5) The department may adopt rules necessary for the adminis-**  
22 **tration of this section.**

23 **“SECTION 4. Report. No later than September 15 of each even-**  
24 **numbered year, the State Department of Geology and Mineral Indus-**  
25 **tries shall submit, to the interim committees of the Legislative**  
26 **Assembly related to water, a report that must include:**

27 **“(1) An inventory of available water data at each agency specified**  
28 **in section 1 of this 2025 Act that supports water and watershed plan-**  
29 **ning and management;**

30 **“(2) Identification and prioritization of water data gaps and needs**

1 to support water and watershed planning and management;

2 “(3) Identification and prioritization of projects and actions that  
3 address priority water data gaps and needs within each agency speci-  
4 fied in section 1 of this 2025 Act as it relates to including data in the  
5 integrated water data portal established under section 2 of this 2025  
6 Act;

7 “(4) Progress measured against established metrics to carry out the  
8 purposes of sections 1, 2 and 3 of this 2025 Act during the two calendar  
9 years immediately preceding the year of the report;

10 “(5) Proposed actions and budgetary resources needed to carry out  
11 the purposes of sections 1, 2 and 3 of this 2025 Act in the two years  
12 following the date of the report;

13 “(6) Recommendations to improve interagency coordination related  
14 to water data;

15 “(7) Policy recommendations to increase access to and use of water  
16 data;

17 “(8) A summary of public outreach and public participation activ-  
18 ities; and

19 “(9) Other information determined to be beneficial for the purposes  
20 of carrying out sections 1, 2 and 3 of this 2025 Act.

21 “SECTION 5. Captions. The section captions used in this 2025 Act  
22 are provided only for the convenience of the reader and do not become  
23 part of the statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent  
24 in the enactment of this 2025 Act.

25 “SECTION 6. Effective date. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st  
26 day after the date on which the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third  
27 Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.”

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