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Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

September 19, 2005

Special Meeting

State Lands Building

Salem, Oregon

Minutes

OWEB Members Present

Dianne Guidry
Dan Heagerty
Skip Klarquist
Jim Nakano
Jane O’Keeffe
Patricia Smith
Diane Snyder
Dan Thorndike
Helen Westbrook

OWEB Staff Present

Bonnie Ashford
Ken Bierly
Tom Byler
Mark Grenbemer
Cindy Kraai
Tom Shafer

Others Present

None

Members Not Present

Bobby Brunoe
Paula Burgess
Dan Carver
Alan Christensen
Dave Powers
Scott Reed
Michael Tehan
Ken Williamson

Due to the absence of a Board quorum at its meeting on September 13-14, 2005, voting members were polled regarding recommended funding decisions. As funding recommendations were presented, Board members indicated support for the recommendations as outlined in the staff reports. However, voting to expend funds was postponed until a later date when a Board quorum would be available via telephone conference call. At that time, funding recommendations discussed at the September 13-14 meeting will be revisited and voted on.

A special meeting via telephone conference call was held on Monday, September 19, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. The meeting was held to have a quorum vote on funding recommendations. A telephone conference call meeting included a quorum of the Board.

Board Co-Chair Dan Heagerty presided over the meeting.

Executive Director Tom Byler distributed the following motions needing action to the Board Co-Chairs prior to the telephone conference call. Board Co-Chair Jane O’Keeffe read each motion, which were seconded, and voted on individually.

Item E-1: Watershed Council Support 2005-2007 Non-Capital Fund Spending Plan

Motion: Allocate \$561,002 of non-capital funds to fund Watershed Council Support for the 2005-2007 biennium at the level approved during the May 2005 OWEB meeting, which includes a \$17,259 adjustment for a calculation error made for the Nestucca-Neskowin Watershed Council. *Vote was unanimous.*

Item E-2: Local Capacity Enhancement 2005-2007 Non-Capital Fund Spending Plan

- A. Reserve \$900,000 of non-capital funds for technical assistance grants to be distributed through the April 2006 and October 2006 grant cycles. *Vote was unanimous.*
- B. Approve an allocation of up to \$500,000 of non-capital funds for an early action technical assistance grant cycle to begin this fall. Staff will review and award technical assistance grants for restoration project design on an expedited schedule. *Vote was unanimous.*
- C. Approve an allocation of up to \$500,000 of non-capital funds for CREP technical assistance to local providers in the manner proposed by the Oregon Department of Agriculture in consultation with OWEB staff. The allocation includes up to \$38,000 to be made available to the Oregon Department of Agriculture to support coordination of the State CREP Program. *Vote was unanimous.*
- D. Approve an allocation of up to \$200,000 of non-capital funds for staff to distribute to local groups participating in recovery planning efforts. *Vote was unanimous.*

Item E-3: Monitoring and Assessment 2005-2007 Non-Capital Fund Spending Plan

- A. Reserve \$250,000 for a targeted grant offering in October 2005 for monitoring projects. *Vote was unanimous.*
- B. Reserve \$600,000 to address state agency needs for focused statewide scale effectiveness monitoring, status and trends monitoring, and data management and dissemination activities that are consistent with and further the objectives of the Oregon Plan Monitoring Strategy. *Vote was unanimous.*

Item E-4: Education and Outreach 2005-2007 Non-Capital Fund Spending Plan

- A. Authorize an allocation of up to \$150,000 in non-capital funds for OWEB to support a staff person to promote public awareness and involvement in the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds and to implement the OWEB Education and Outreach Strategy. *Vote was unanimous.*
- B. Staff recommend the Board reserve \$200,000 in non-capital funds for a targeted grant offering in October 2005 for projects that address improved knowledge.
NOTE: After discussion at the Board meeting, Board member consensus was to solicit education/outreach grant applications for the October grant cycle, and to wait until the January meeting after grant applications have been received before reserving funds. Therefore, no motion is needed on this item.
- C. Authorize an allocation of up to \$50,000 in non-capital funds for staff to distribute to support local partner participation in skill development workshop opportunities. *Vote was unanimous.*

Item E-5: Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds 2005-2007 Non-Capital Fund Spending Plan

- A. Reserve \$250,000 in non-capital funds for Oregon Plan products needs that will be presented to the Board at a future meeting. *Vote was unanimous.*

- B. Reserve \$139,000 in non-capital funds for the development of regional priorities in a manner identified by staff and presented for Board consideration at a future meeting. *Vote was unanimous.*

Item E-6: Sustainability/E2 2005-2007 Non-Capital Fund Spending Plan

Reserve \$50,000 in non-capital funds to create a Local Innovation Fund, which will provide initial funding for full proposal development of E2 projects as determined by the Board at a future meeting. *Vote was unanimous.*

Item H: Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund Distribution

Authorize an allocation of \$7,437,946 in Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Funds as allocated by the Oregon Legislature to the following agencies for the remainder of the 2005-2007 biennium.

\$1,721,329	Oregon Department of Agriculture
\$ 712,506	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
\$5,004,111	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
\$7,437,946	TOTAL

Vote was unanimous.

Item K: Board Consideration of Pending Grant Applications

For Region 1, approve the staff grant award funding recommendations totaling \$553,721, which includes deferral of Acquisition Projects z206-058 and z206-059; for Region 2, approve the staff grant award funding recommendations totaling \$1,390,511 and an additional \$750,000 for the Savage Rapids Dam Project (201-444); for Region 3, approve the staff grant award funding recommendations totaling \$1,316,857 which includes deferral of Acquisition Project z205-174; for Region 4, approve the staff grant award funding recommendations totaling \$1,686,278; and for Region 5, approve the staff grant award funding recommendations totaling \$2,774,615. *Vote was unanimous.*

The meeting was adjourned.