

March 16-17, 2010 OWEB Board Meeting

Executive Director Update #C-4: 2009-11 Oregon Plan Biennial Report

Background

ORS 541.405 states that by January 15 of each odd-numbered year the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board must submit a report to the Governor, and to the appropriate committee or committees of the Legislative Assembly, that assesses the statewide and regional implementation and effectiveness of the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds. The report must address each drainage basin in the state and include watershed and key habitat conditions, an assessment of data and information needs, an overview of state agency programs and voluntary restoration activities, a summary of Board investments, and recommendations of the Board for enhancing Oregon Plan effectiveness in each basin.

The 2009-2011 report will be the fifth report prepared to meet this statutory obligation. Previous editions have been printed reports, with an electronic version of the document available on the OWEB and Oregon Plan web sites. Beginning with the 2005-2007 report, OWEB began making additional content, primarily project stories and agency accomplishments, available via the web.

2009-2011 Biennial Report

As part of the agency's communications efforts, staff have begun planning the content and production elements of the 2009-2011 Oregon Plan Biennial Report. Staff plan to produce a print document, but currently are discussing how to pare down the content included in the print version while enhancing the amount of data, information, and stories made available on the Oregon Plan web site. The keystone of the printed report will continue to be the 13 Oregon Plan reporting basins with the basin maps of completed and reported projects.

The following is a general schedule for production of the 2009-2011 report. Staff will update the Board at the upcoming June and September Board meetings.

March – June 2010	Oregon Watershed Restoration Inventory Data collection/entry. Implement agency coordination efforts to collect program and accomplishment information.
July – September 2010	Map and graphic development. Finalize Oregon Plan related program and accomplishment information. Draft text. Check in with Board on observations and recommendations.
September 2010	Report to Board on status, issues identified, and recommended observations. Refine Board observations and recommendations. Finish drafting text. Review maps and graphics.
October – November 2010	Final document assembled and reviewed. Web content drafted and page production begins.
December 2010	Biennial Report sent to printer. Web content finalized.

January 14, 2011

Biennial Report distributed to Board, Legislature, and other stakeholders. Web report and content made available.

More information on OWEB's efforts to coordinate with its sister agencies is provided in Agenda Item K.

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