



# Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

## Meeting Agenda

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### Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board June 14-15, 2011

**AmeriTel Inn  
Broken Top/Mt. Bachelor  
425 SW Bluff Drive, Bend**

*Directions: Off Highway 97, exit Reed Market Road; follow signs to Old Mill District.*

***Tuesday, June 14, 2011***

***Business Meeting - 8:00 a.m.***

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**A. Board Member Comments**

Board representatives from state and federal agencies will provide an update on issues related to the natural resource agency they represent. This is also an opportunity for public and tribal Board members to report on their recent activities and share information and comments on a variety of watershed enhancement and Oregon Plan-related topics. *Information item.*

**B. Review and Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the March 15-16, 2011, Board meeting in Salem will be presented for Board approval. *Action item.*

**C. Executive Director Update**

Tom Byler, Executive Director, will update the Board on agency business and late-breaking issues. *Information item.*

**D. Legislative and Budget Update**

Tom Byler, Executive Director, and Melissa Leoni, Senior Policy Coordinator, will brief the Board on the status of OWEB's 2009-2011 and 2011-2013 budgets, and the legislative bills and issues affecting OWEB. *Information item.*

**E. Public Comment – General [approximately 10:30 a.m.]**

This time is reserved for public comment on any matter before the Board.

**F. October 2010 Grant Cycle – June Awards and Policy Discussion**

The Board will consider grant applications submitted by the October 18, 2010, application deadline, and held over from the March Board meeting for funding with 2011-2013 funds. The Board will also consider policy on the eligibility of orphan mine sites. *Action item.*

**G. 2011-2013 Grant Cycle and Board Meeting Schedule**

Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager, will discuss the proposed Board meeting and grant application deadline schedule for the 2011-2013 biennium. *Action item.*

**H. Administrative Rulemaking**

Melissa Leoni, Senior Policy Coordinator, will discuss proposed rulemaking to address recent legislation relating to Ballot Measure 76. *Action item.*

**I. Deschutes Special Investment Partnership Presentation**

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, will update the Board on the actions the partners have been taking to implement the Deschutes Special Investment Partnership (SIP). Representatives of the four partner groups, Upper Deschutes Watershed Council, Deschutes Land Trust, Deschutes River Conservancy, and Crooked River Watershed Council, will update the Board on the activities of the partners, identify the accomplishments and challenges to date, and describe the focus for the coming biennium. *Information item.*

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***Tour – 2:15 p.m.***

*The Board and OWEB staff will tour projects in the Upper Deschutes basin. These projects are part of the Deschutes Special Investment Partnership funded by OWEB. Transportation will be provided for OWEB Board members and staff. Anyone is welcome to join the tour, but please be prepared to provide your own transportation.*

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***Informal Reception - 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.***

*The public is invited to join the OWEB Board and staff at a reception sponsored by William Smith Properties.*

*5:30 – 7:00 p.m.*

*Center Court in the Old Mill District, Bend  
(next to Anthony's Restaurant)*

**Parking** - Anthony's at the Old Mill District in Bend offers complimentary parking throughout the "Old Mill District," however the best area to secure parking is located across the river. The additional parking area can be accessed off of Columbia and for your convenience, hosts a footbridge to the restaurant area.

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**J. Willamette SIP – ODFW/BPA Agreement**

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, will report on the current status of policy issues related to the recent agreement between Oregon and the Bonneville Power Administration on wildlife mitigation for the Willamette dams, which creates opportunities for conservation in the Willamette basin. *Information item.*

**K. Efficiency and Transparency through Technology**

Greg Sieglitz, Monitoring and Reporting Program Manager, and Ashley Seim, GIS and Web Site Specialist, will update the Board on the technology tools developed to increase efficiency and transparency around OWEB investments. *Information item.*

**L. Deferred Acquisitions**

Miriam Hulst, Acquisitions Specialist, will update Board members on land acquisition projects deferred from previous meetings and present funding recommendations for Board consideration. *Action item.*

**M. Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program**

Melissa Leoni, Senior Policy Coordinator, will update the Board on Oregon's investment in the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP), and describe a proposal for funding CREP technical assistance in the 2011-2013 biennium. *Action item.*

**N. Public Comment – Pending Watershed Council Support Applications  
[approximately 10:30 a.m.]**

This time is reserved for public comment on Watershed Council Support applications to be considered for funding by the Board. Only comments pertaining to the specific grant applications will be accepted during the meeting. The Board will not accept any written materials at this time. Any written comments pertaining to pending Watershed Council Support proposals must have been received by staff by the May 6, 2011, deadline.

**O. Board Consideration of Pending Watershed Council Support Applications**

The Board will consider Watershed Council Support applications submitted by the January 18, 2011, application deadline. Proposals, supporting materials, and funding recommendations will be discussed and acted on by the Board. *Action item.*

**P. 2011-2013 Partnership Investments**

Ken Bierly, Deputy Director, will update the Board on the opportunities for future partnerships and make recommendations for partnership priorities for the 2011-2013 biennium. *Action item.*

**Q. Other Business**

**Meeting Procedures:** Generally, agenda items will be taken in the order shown. However, in certain circumstances, the Board may elect to take an item out of order. To accommodate the scheduling needs of interested parties and the public, the Board may also designate a specific time at which an item will be heard. Any such times are indicated on the agenda.

Please be aware that topics not listed on the agenda may be introduced during the Board Comment period, the Executive Director's Update, the Public Comment period, under Other Business or at other times during the meeting.

Oregon's Public Meetings Law requires disclosure that Board members may meet for meals on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

**\*\*Public Testimony:** The Board encourages public comment on any agenda item. However, public testimony must be limited on items marked with a double asterisk (\*\*). The double asterisk means that the item has already been the subject of a formal public hearing. Further public testimony may not be taken except upon changes made to the item since the original public comment period, or upon the direct request of the Board members in order to obtain additional information or to address changes made to proposed rules following a public hearing.

A general public comment period will be held on Tuesday, June 14 at 10:30 a.m. for any matter before the Board. Comments relating to a specific agenda item may be heard by the Board as each agenda item is considered. People wishing to speak to the Board are asked to fill out a comment request sheet (available at the information table). *The Board encourages persons to limit comments to no more than five minutes.*

A public comment period for pending watershed council support applications will be held on Wednesday, June 15 at 10:30 a.m. The Board will not accept any written materials at that time. Any written comments pertaining to pending council support proposals must have been received by the **May 6, 2011**, deadline. People wishing to speak to the Board are asked to fill out a comment request sheet (available at the information table). *The Board encourages persons to limit comments to no more than five minutes.*

**Tour:** The Board may tour local watershed restoration project sites. The public is invited to attend, however transportation may be limited to Board members and OWEB staff. If you wish to join the tour, be prepared to provide your own transportation.

**Executive Session:** The Board may also convene in a confidential executive session where, by law, only press members and OWEB staff may attend. Others will be asked to leave the room during these discussions, which usually deal with current or potential litigation. Before convening such a session, the presiding Board member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

**Questions?** If you have any questions about this agenda or the Board's procedures, please call Bonnie Ashford, OWEB Board Assistant, at 503-986-0181.

If special physical, language or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise Bonnie Ashford (503-986-0181) as soon as possible but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

## Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Membership

### Voting Members

Board of Agriculture member: *Dan Carver*  
Environmental Quality Commission member: *Ken Williamson*  
Fish and Wildlife Commission member: *Skip Klarquist*  
Board of Forestry member: *Jennifer Phillippi*  
Water Resources Commission member: *John Jackson*  
Public member (tribal): *Eric Quaempts*  
Public member: *Daniel Heagerty, Board Co-Chair*  
Public member: *Will Neuhauser*  
Public member: *Patricia Smith*  
Public member: *Dan Thorndike, Board Co-Chair*  
Public member: *Karl Wenner*

### Non-voting Members

Representative of NMFS: *Kim Kratz*  
Representative of Oregon State University Extension Service: *James Johnson*  
Representative of U.S. Forest Service: *Debbie Hollen*  
Representative of U.S. BLM: *Michael Haske*  
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### 2011 Board Meeting Schedule September 13-14, 2011 in Roseburg

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