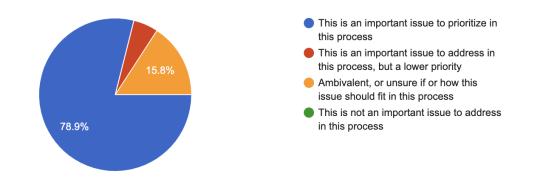
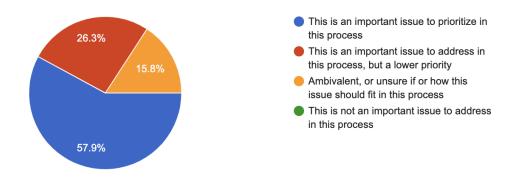
Work Group Priority Issues and Tasks Survey Results

1. Updated and Integrated Data for Regional Water Planning: Review the key data gaps and challenges that have been identified in water planning efforts. Determine various agencies' activities aimed at addressing these challenges, as they relate to water planning (regional, PBP, or otherwise). Identify remaining gaps or needs and offer recommendations on how to address them.

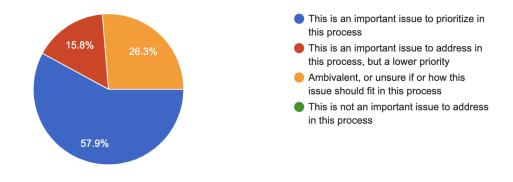


2. Public & Community Engagement Guidelines: Develop a framework for guidelines and best practices around broader public and community engagement in regional water planning processes. Identify what elements might be voluntary guidelines (best practices) or standards (requirements to access state support).

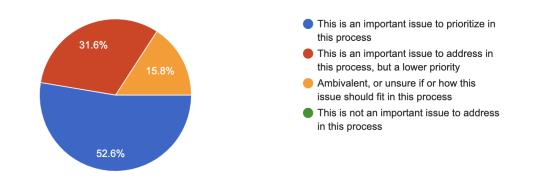
Task Interest: 6 people (Adam Denlinger, Peggy Lynch, Chrysten Rivard, April Snell, Ana Molina, Mary Anne Cooper)



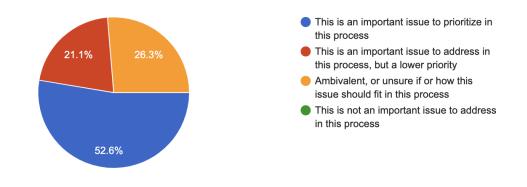
3. Pre-Planning Framework: Create a framework and guidelines for the Pre-Planning phase to respond to the gap need identified in the evaluation. Identify what elements might be voluntary guidelines (best practices) or standards (requirements to access state support).



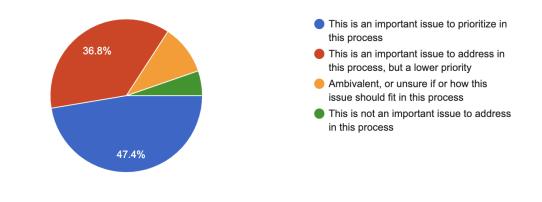
4. Pre-Planning Feasibility Review Process: Develop options for a more streamlined or integrated approach to assess regional planning readiness and inform the appropriate pathway and resources needed for a planning effort. This could set a framework for categorizing varying levels of state-support for different types of planning efforts.



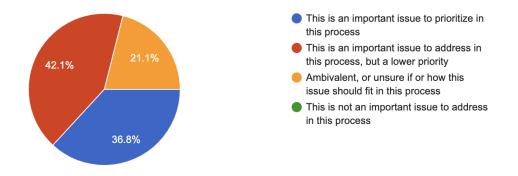
5. Planning to Action with State Support: Review different models for state review and integration of regional plans and develop a clear framework for acting on a plan and integration with the state's goals and responsibilities. This could include developing a set of 'check point' criteria for review between each phase of the system and identifying ideas for resources that could be assured to regions that meet the necessary thresholds. "What does the plan get us?"



6. PBP Guideline Review and Update: Review and update as needed existing PBP Guidelines to determine if anything is missing, should be changed, or clarified based on evaluation recommendations and 'Essential Elements/Features' document. Identify what might be voluntary guidelines (best practices) or standards (requirements to access state support).



7. Resourcing and Sustaining Regional Planning: Review resourcing models for how other states support and sustain regional planning efforts. This could include interagency coordination, funding, staffing needed. Articulate the resources and range of cost/investment that would be required to support regional planning in Oregon.



Are there any major overarching 'gaps or needs' or proposed tasks related to regional water planning and management that you feel are not reflected in the above suggestions?

- 1. How to fund this process
- 2. Regulatory backstop for protecting currently endangered state aquatic resources. Groups can only assess how regional efforts could be beneficial in the context of a known and implemented strategy for managing and protecting scarce resources.
- 3. Am still concerned that the program does not include ALL water needs and reasons for regional planning efforts. There are water quality issues such as La Pine & Morrow Co. There are wetlands issues, especially in the Willamette Valley, that need addressed so industrials lands can be used OR redesignated. There are issues with local, especially small rural communities, drinking water and sewer systems that include water sources and aquatic creatures/TMDL issues. 3 of the 4 pilot PDB efforts were around mostly agriculture needs. Only the Mid-Coast effort related to water challenges of small communities. How does a community bring a water challenge to this program (if it continues) since, as of now, it is housed in WRD.
- 4. Focus on what Oregon needs, not what other states are doing.