

### Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy

#### February 12, 2010 Briefer

#### 2010 Open Houses

Four state agencies have been given responsibility for developing an integrated water resources strategy for Oregon by 2012, with 5-year updates thereafter. This spring, these agencies, along with commissioners and local partners, will host a series of evening open houses throughout Oregon communities, serving three purposes:

- 1. To ensure that participants receive information about the statewide strategy, the project timeline, and the many opportunities to participate.
- 2. To gather input from community members, in terms of water resource challenges, opportunities, and recommended actions.
- 3. To highlight successful, local examples of water resource solutions currently underway in Oregon communities.

Various stations will allow participants to engage in individual conversations and facilitated discussions, listen to presentations, and to ask questions about current issues and local projects. A "kid's center" will allow younger attendees to participate in water-related activities.



#### 2010 Schedule

Gresham – March 31

**Gresham City Hall** 

Ontario – April 7

The Holiday Inn Hotel

Umatilla – April 8

Umatilla City Hall

Bandon – April 22

Conference and Community Center, "The Barn"

Tillamook – April 28

Tillamook County Library

Medford - May 11

Medford Library

Klamath Falls - May 12

Oregon Institute of Technology

Redmond – May 13

Redmond Fire and Rescue

Burns – May 25

Harney County Community Center

Salem – June 8

Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Office

Eugene – June 10

**Eugene Public Library** 

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

#### **Another Way to Participate**

If you are unable to attend these public events, you can still participate in the discussion by providing your responses to the following questions. We are eager to hear from a wide variety of disciplines and perspectives. Please send responses to <u>waterstrategy@wrd.state.or.us</u>.

- 1. **Vision:** As we embark on a long-term, integrated water resources strategy, what are some broad objectives you have, with regard to water in Oregon? Describe your hopes and goals for the state, in terms of water quantity, water quality, and other water-related issues.
- 2. **Challenges:** As we sketch out "scenarios" that depict what the future of Oregon's water resources may look like, what do you see as some factors that may hinder our ability to meet Oregon's water needs in the future?
- 3. **Solutions:** Do you have water resource solutions (policies, projects, or approaches) that you would like to see as part of this Integrated Strategy? Worded differently, what are some successful models from your organization, community, or elsewhere that we should encourage or develop further?
- 4. **Education/Outreach:** Do you feel that you have access to adequate information about water resource issues? What water resource issues are you and your community facing today? Do you have any suggestions or ideas that could help us provide better education and outreach to your community members about these issues?

#### **Project Links**

- Visit our <u>website</u> to find background information, meeting announcements and materials.
- Stay informed of project activity by joining the <u>IWRS listserv</u>.
- <u>Contact the Project Team</u> directly to ask questions, offer suggestions, or submit comments.
- Read the <u>Issue Papers</u>, including the <u>Ecology and Ecosystems Paper</u>, to understand why it is important to start planning now.
- Check out the <u>Preliminary Workplan</u> for process-related information.

#### **Project Timeline & Progress Bar**

Phase I: Setting	Phase II: Identifying	Phase III: Developing	Phase IV: Producing	Phase V:
the Stage	Water Resource Needs	Recommended	the 1 <sup>st</sup> Strategy	Implementation and
(Fall 2009)	(Spring 2010)	Actions (2010-2011)	(2012)	Evaluation (2012)

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## Gresham Open House



Wednesday, March 31, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Gresham City Hall

1333 NW Eastman Parkway Gresham, Oregon 97030

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- Project Overview, followed by Discussions Program begins at 4:00 and again at 5:30
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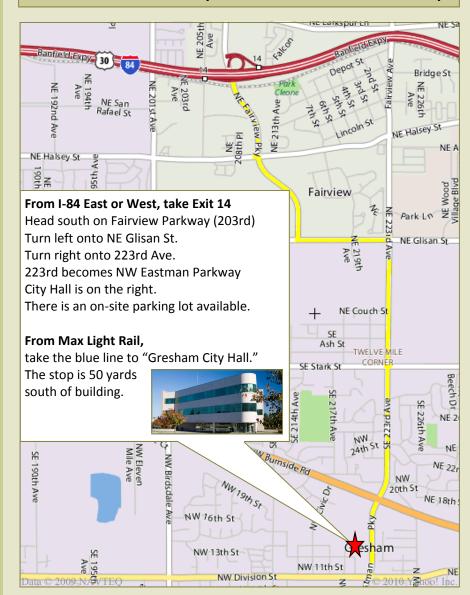
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#### Directions to Gresham City Hall - 1333 NW Eastman Parkway



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### Ontario Open House Wednesday, April 7, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., MDT

Holiday Inn, Sawtooth Banquet Room 1249 Tapadera Avenue, Ontario, OR 97914

- Project Overview, followed by Discussions
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Owyhee Irrigation District



Powder Basin Watershed and Stream Health Committee



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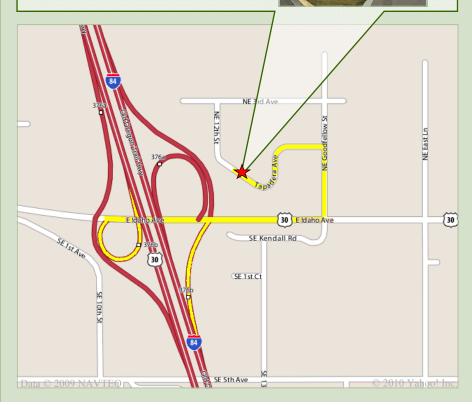
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#### Directions to Ontario Holiday Inn - 1249 Tapadera Avenue

#### From I-84

- Take exit 376 B (US-30 E)
- Turn right on E. Idaho Avenue (US-30 BR/Olds Ferry-Ontario Hwy)
- At about 0.5 mile, turn left on NE Goodfellow Street
- Take a quick left onto Tapadera Avenue
- The Holiday Inn is located on the right





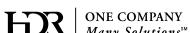
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### Umatilla Open House Thursday, April 8, 2010

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Umatilla City Hall
700 6th Street, Umatilla, OR 97882

- Project Overview, followed by Discussions Program begins at 4:00 and again at 5:30
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#### Umatilla Basin Water Commission





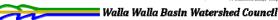












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#### Directions to Umatilla City Hall - 700 6th Street

#### From east or west traveling on Interstate 84

- Merge onto Interstate 82 and travel north approximately 6 miles
- Exit off of I-82 at HWY 730 Interchange and turn left
- Travel approximately 2 miles west on Hwy 730 (6th Street) into downtown Umatilla
- City Hall is on south side of 6th Street between G and H Streets





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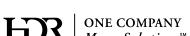
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### Bandon Open House Thursday, April 22, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Conference and Community Center, "The Barn" 1200 11th Street SW, Bandon, OR 97411

#### Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day!

- Project Overview, followed by Discussions Program begins at 4:00 and again at 5:30
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#### From Hwy 101

- Turn west onto 11th Street SW
- Continue on 11th Street for 6-7 blocks
- Turn into the parking lot at Bandon City Park
- The Barn is the first of three buildings in the area



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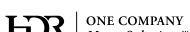
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### Tillamook Open House Wednesday, April 28, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Tillamook County Library** 1716 3rd Street, Tillamook, OR 97141

- Project Overview, followed by Discussions Program begins at 4:00 and again at 5:30
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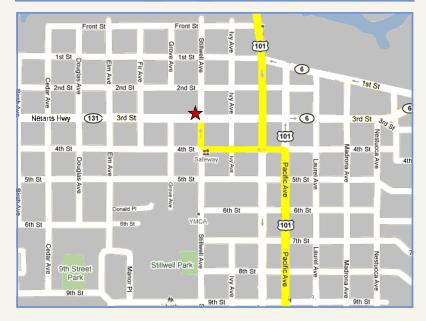
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#### Directions to the Library - 1716 3rd Street

Coming from Hwy 101:

- Turn West onto 4th Street.
- Turn North onto Stillwell Ave
- The Library is on the corner of 3rd and Stillwell Avenue.
- The parking lot is located across the street.





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### Medford Open House Tuesday, May 11, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Medford Library 205 South Central Ave., Medford, OR 97501

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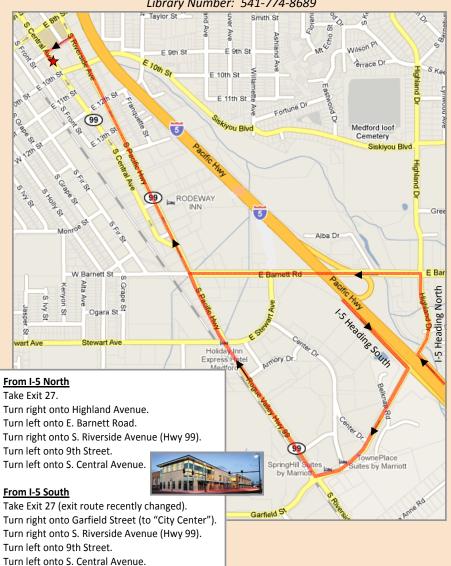
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#### Directions to the Library, 205 S. Central Avenue

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- Head east on Dan O'Brien Way.
- The Mt. Mazama Room is located in the College Union Building, Second Floor.
- General Parking is available via Campus Drive or Industrial Park Drive.



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### Redmond Open House



Thursday, May 13, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Redmond Fire and Rescue
341 NW Dogwood Avenue, Redmond, OR 97756

- Project Overview, followed by Discussions Program begins at 4:00 and again at 5:30
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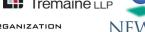


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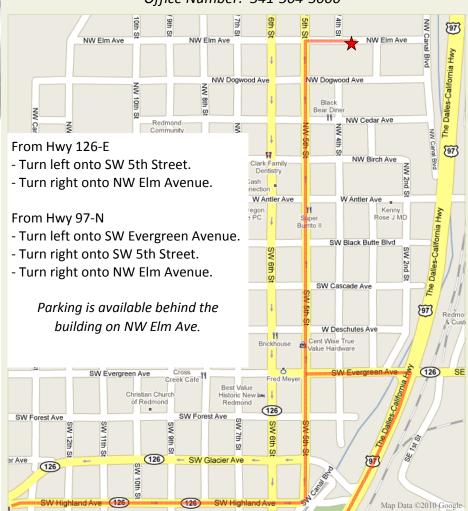
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