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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE  
GROUND WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Friday, April 16, 2004  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

**Conference Room 124 B (First Floor)  
North Mall Office Building  
725 Summer St. NE, Ste A  
Salem, Oregon**

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TENTATIVE AGENDA  
(order and subject to change)

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| I.    | Call to Order  | Joshi      |
| II.   | Approval of Minutes for the 1/30/04 Meeting  | Joshi      |
| III.  | Proposed Well Construction Rules – Seeking GWAC’s Recommendation   | Eichenlaub |
| IV.   | A Brief History on Piezometers and Slope Stability Holes - Informational                                   | Eichenlaub |
| V.    | District Water Right Transfers - Informational   | Nelson     |
| VI.   | Proposed Rules regarding Five-Year Ground Water Permits in Willamette Basin– Seeking GWAC’s Recommendation | Sussman    |
| VII.  | Water Resources Department Legislation/Budget - Informational  | Sussman    |
| VIII. | Water Issues in the Klamath Basin - Informational  | Woodcock   |
| IX.   | Public Comment - Items not on the Agenda   |            |

Individuals from the public have two different ways to comment at the meeting. On agenda items, they should submit a request to comment sheet to the committee chair for comment during the agenda item. On non-agenda items, they may respond to the chair’s invitation at the scheduled public comment time.

*The meeting is open to the public and all interested parties; if special physical, language or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise as soon as possible but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.*

April 9, 2004

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SALEM-- The Water Resources Commission's Ground Water Advisory Committee (GWAC) will meet on Friday, April 16, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. The GWAC will meet at Conference Room 124 B, North Mall Office Building, 725 Summer St NE, Salem.

### **Proposed Well Construction Rules – Seeking GWAC’s Recommendation**

The Department will ask GWAC for its recommendation on final proposed well construction rules for Water Resources Commission consideration. The rules include changes due to recent legislation dealing with the start card fee and bond amounts, rule advisory committee recommendations and some general housekeeping. A rulemaking update on these rules was given at the last GWAC meeting.

### **A Brief History on Piezometers and Slope Stability Holes**

At the October 3, 2003 GWAC meeting, Lane County representatives requested that the Department reclassify the specific type of slope stability hole that they install. This led to a discussion of piezometers and slope stability holes and why they are in the categories that they are in. The Department will review the 1995 rulemaking that classified both of these types of holes.

### **District Water Right Transfers**

Greg Nelson, Field Services Division, will speak briefly about rulemaking currently underway on district water right transfers. Senate Bill 820 (2003, Oregon Laws) granted districts flexibility that allows temporary changes in point of diversion/point of appropriation to facilitate a temporary change in place of use, and the ability to temporarily transfer a surface water point of diversion to a ground water appropriation.

### **Proposed Rules Regarding Five-Year Ground Water Permits in Willamette Basin**

Adam Sussman, Senior Policy Coordinator, will ask GWAC for its recommendation on final proposed rules to modify the Willamette Basin Program (OAR Chapter 690, Division 502). The final proposed rules, which are proposed for adoption by the Water Resources Commission in May 2004, would allow certain holders of five-year limited permits to make an application for a new permit without the five-year limitation, subject to all current application processing rules.

### **Water Resources Department Legislation/Budget**

Adam Sussman will update GWAC on the Department's Legislative and Budget concept development.

### **Water Issues in the Klamath Basin**

At the last meeting, GWAC members expressed an interest in background/update on issues in the Klamath Basin. Doug Woodcock, Manager of the Ground Water Section, will present short backgrounds on several topics. These include the status of the Department's ground water study in the Bonanza area, the status of the Klamath Basin cooperative ground water study with the USGS, and the Bureau of Reclamation Pilot Water Bank. This is an informational item.