## PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE GROUND WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE Friday, March 23, 2007 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

# Rogue Conference Room (Third Floor) North Mall Office Building 725 Summer St. NE, Ste A Salem, Oregon

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA order subject to change (approx. item length in minutes)

I.	Call to Order	Christensen
II.	Approval of Minutes for the 12/15/06 Meeting (10)	Christensen
III.	Measure 37 and the Water Resources Department (10)	Grigsby
IV.	Legislative, Budget, Commission and Rulemaking Update (60)	Colbert
V.	Issues Involved with Water Right Splitting to Ownership (60)	Wallin/Kupillas
VI.	Deschutes Basin Ground Water Mitigation Program (60)	Gorman

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 at that location; 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. Access to the Rogue Conference Room may be made with the assistance of the receptionist.

March 15, 2007

SALEM-- The Water Resources Commission's Ground Water Advisory Committee (GWAC) will meet on Friday, March 23, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. The GWAC will meet in Rogue Conference Room, North Mall Office Building, 725 Summer St NE, Salem.

## Measure 37 and the Water Resources Department

Kim Grigsby, Water Resources Policy Analyst, will present updated information on Measure 37 and specific claims that involve the Water Resources Department.

#### Legislative, Budget, Commission and Rulemaking Update

Debbie Colbert, Senior Policy Coordinator, will provide an update on water legislation, agency budget discussions, Commission activities, and agency rulemaking. Her presentation will also discuss the Oregon Water Supply and Conservation Initiative which is before the legislature.

## Issues Involved with Water Right Splitting to Ownership

GWAC will continue the discussion of this issue that was raised by GWAC member, Greg Kupillas. At issue are the water right problems that occur under the existing structure when landownership splinters to multiple owners. These include water right perfection issues, extension issues, and additional work for the Department and landowners. Greg will offer a draft recommendation letter for GWAC discussion. A finalized letter would likely be addressed to the agency Director and urge him to seek legislative changes in the future. Tim Wallin, Water Rights Program Manager, will provide agency input on the topic.

# **Deschutes Basin Ground Water Mitigation Program**

Kyle Gorman, Manager of the South Central Region, will present information on the implementation of this program. The administrative rules that create the program require mitigation for new ground water appropriations in order to satisfy in-stream needs. The Department reports and evaluates the program annually and the Commission is required to review it prior to January 1, 2008. This is primarily an informational report at this time but insights from the committee are welcome.