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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
GROUND WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Friday, May 1, 2009
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
(approximate start time - order subject to change)

9:00	Call to Order	Smith
9:05	Approval of Minutes for the 2/13/09 Meeting	Smith
9:15	WRD Budget 2009-2011	Louden
9:35	Water Conservation, Reuse, and Storage Grants 2007-2009	Louden
9:45	Umatilla Recharge Update	Norris
10:15	Rulemaking Update	Colbert/Wilke
Break (10:30)		
10:40	Interstate Compacts	Colbert/Rodgers
11:30.	Construction of Ground Source Heat Borings	Stadeli/Pandian
Lunch Distribution to Members (12:00)		
12:00	Legislative Update	Woodcock/Rodgers
12:30	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.

April 24, 2009

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SALEM-- The Water Resources Commission's Ground Water Advisory Committee (GWAC) will meet on Friday, May 1, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. The GWAC will meet in the Rogue Conference Room, North Mall Office Building, 725 Summer St NE, Salem. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting at the conference room.

Department Budget 2009-2011

Tracy Loudon, Administrator of the Administrative Services Division, will present this item. The Legislature will determine agency budgets for the next biennium that will include significant overall funding reductions. The Department has identified a proposed budget reduction of 30%.

Water Conservation, Reuse, and Storage Grants 2007-2009

Tracy Loudon, Administrator of the Administrative Services Division, will describe progress on the distribution of grant funds authorized by SB 1069.

Umatilla Recharge Update

Barry Norris, State Engineer, will provide an update on the contractor's research progress in assessing the feasibility of artificial recharge in the Umatilla Basin. This work will be completed by June 30th.

Rulemaking Update

Debbie Colbert, Administrator of the Field Services Division, and Laura Wilke, Flow Restoration Program Coordinator, will discuss the current rulemaking in Division 382 that includes a ground water registration modification. As proposed, requirements for applicants to provide lien holder information for ground water registration modifications (transfers) may be eliminated.

Interstate Compacts

Debbie Colbert, Administrator of the Field Services Division, and Jerry Rodgers, Administrator of the Technical Services Division will present this item. They will describe the interstate compact process, benefits and implementation experiences. Oregon is only party to interstate compacts with California in the Klamath and Goose Lake Basins.

Construction of Ground Source Heat Borings

John Stadel, GWAC member, and Juno Pandian, Manager of the Well Construction and Compliance Section, will introduce the issue and concerns. Construction of these kinds of holes may pose a threat to ground water quality.

Legislation Update

Doug Woodcock, Manager of the Ground Water Section, and Jerry Rodgers, Administrator of the Technical Services Division, will update the committee on water bills of interest in the current legislative session. Included are bills concerning increasing the start card fee, establishing a fee for geotechnical holes, changing exempt ground water use provisions, and developing an integrated water resources strategy.