

Oregon Water Resources Commission
Meeting
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Don Butcher
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The Oregon Water Resource Commissioners met with the Oregon Environmental Quality Commissioners for discussion of the intersection between water quality and water quantity, and for presentations by agency staff.

Meg Reeves, WRD Deputy Director; and Mike Llewelyn DEQ Water Quality Administrator, described state water law and the federal Clean Water Act as a foundation for considering the intersection of those authorities in Oregon.

Dwight French, WRD Water Rights Manager; and Karen Tarnow, DEQ Assistant to the Water Quality Administrator, reviewed the 1997 recommendations of the Water Quality/Water Quantity Task Force; and led a discussion regarding on-going and future interagency coordination on issues identified by that Task Force.

Dick Pederson, DEQ Watershed Management Section Manager, described the purpose and schedule for developing Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to improve the water quality of Oregon's impaired waterways, and provided an overview of the Umatilla Basin TMDL.

Don Butcher, DEQ Eastern Region TMDL Specialist; and Mike Ladd, WRD North Central Region Manager, described ongoing stakeholder activities to restore flows in the Umatilla Basin.

Tom Paul, WRD Field Services Administrator, and Dick Pedersen, DEQ Watershed Management Section Manager, summarized lessons learned and tools available for addressing streamflow issues for improving water quality.

Mike Llewelyn, DEQ Water Quality Administrator, explained his agency's Water Reuse Initiative, an effort to encourage new ways to reuse wastewater. Mike Llewelyn and Tom Paul provided an overview of DEQ and WRD water reuse activities, opportunities, and challenges related to this initiative.

After the presentations, Commissioners and staff discussed current issues and opportunities associated with coordinating water quantity and quality. This was followed by a public reception for informal discussion and relationship building among the two Commissions and agency staff.

Respectfully submitted,



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