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OREGON WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING

September 29 – 30, 2011

Port of Morrow

Riverfront Conference Room

2 Marine Drive

Boardman, Oregon 97818

If a specific time is indicated for an agenda item, an effort will be made to consider that item as close to that time as possible. However, because of the uncertain length of time needed for each agenda item, scheduled times may be modified. Those wishing to hear discussion of an item should arrive at the beginning of the meeting to avoid missing the item.

A public comment period is provided at approximately 11:30 a.m. on Friday for issues not included on the agenda. Public comment on agenda items will be taken as each item is considered by the Commission. Asterisks denote items on which public comment will generally not be taken (please see page 3).

Staff reports for individual agenda items, when available, will be on the Commission's website at http://www.wrd.state.or.us/files/Publications/staff_reports/.

COMMISSION MEETING: Thursday, September 29 (1:00 pm)

A. Integrated Water Resources Strategy Update and Discussion (1:00 pm – 2:00 pm)

Brenda Bateman, Senior Policy Coordinator, will give an update on the progress of the Integrated Water Resources Strategy (IWRS). The Commission will have an opportunity to discuss and provide input on recent events, accomplishments and public policy issues. Guest speaker, Niki Iverson, Water Resources Manager for the City of Hillsboro, will provide an overview of the regional approach the Joint Water Commission (Washington County) has taken to address local water needs. *This is an informational report only.*

B. Water Resources Commission Revenue Enhancement Subcommittee Update (2:00 pm – 2:30 pm)

The Water Resources Commission Revenue Subcommittee will brief the Commission on activities related to the development of new or expanded funding sources since the May 2011 meeting. *This is an informational report only.*

C. Discussion with Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) (2:30 pm – 3:00 pm)

Deschutes County Commissioner Alan Unger, Chair of the AOC's Water Policy Committee, will brief the Commission on water related activities of the AOC. *This is an informational report only.*

Break (3:00 pm - 3:15 pm)

D. Commission Dialogue with Local Representatives (3:15 pm – 5:00 pm)

The Commission has invited representatives of the local community to discuss water supply issues in the Umatilla Basin. Panel members include: Chuck Wilcox, Hermiston Irrigation District; Umatilla County Commissioner Dennis Doherty; Ron Brown, Walla Walla River Irrigation District; Eric Quaempts, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (Invited); Morrow County Commissioner Leann Rea; and Gary Zollman, Zollman's Larry Burd Well Drilling. *This is an informational report only.*

COMMISSION MEETING: Friday, September 30 (8:00 am)

E. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 12 and 13, 2011 meeting will be presented for Commission approval. *The Commission will be asked to approve the minutes.*

F. Commission Comments

Commissioners will report on their recent activities and share information and comments on a variety of water resource topics.

G. Director's Report

Director Phil Ward will update the Commission on Department business, and late-breaking issues. *This is an informational report only.*

H. Approval of 2012 Commission Schedule

A tentative schedule of meetings for 2012 will be presented for Commission approval. *The Commission will be asked to approve the meeting schedule.*

I. Budget Update – 2011-13 Biennium (9:00 am – 9:30 am)

Tracy Loudon, Administrative Services Administrator, will give the Commission an update on the Department's current financial situation. *This is an informational report only.*

J. Request for an Exception to the Rogue Basin Program by Mr. Barry Shuart under ORS 536.295 (9:30 am – 10:15 am)

Dwight French, Water Rights Services Administrator, will present a request from Mr. Barry Shuart for the Department to consider a water right application requesting a use not included in the Basin Program. *The Commission will be asked to approve or deny the request.*

Break (10:15 am – 10:30 am)

K. Update on Water Conservation, Reuse and Storage Grant Program (10:30 am – 11:00 am)

Tracy Loudon, Administrative Services Administrator, will give the Commission an update on the Department's Water Conservation, Reuse and Storage Grant Program, whose first round of projects was completed June 30, 2011. This update will include plans for initiating a second round of funding. *This is an informational report only.*

L. Key Performance Measure Report (11:00 am – 11:30 am)

Brenda Bateman, Senior Policy Coordinator, will present the Department's 2011 update on Key Performance Measures, the 14 issue areas used to gauge how the Department is doing in terms of resource protection, customer service, and overall efficiencies.

M. Public Comment (approximately 11:30 am)

N. Other Issues

TOUR: Friday, September 30, 12:30 pm – 5:00 pm

The Commission will depart from the Port of Morrow at 12:30 pm to tour the Boardman Tree Farms facilities, the McCarty AR/ASR site, and end with a presentation on the CTUIR's economic development goals and water needs. The Commission will tour from approximately 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm.

The public is invited to attend the tour, but transportation will be provided only for Commissioners and Department staff. If you wish to join the tour, you must make your own transportation arrangements. Please contact Cindy Smith at (503) 986-0876, if you plan to attend.

Meeting Procedures: Generally, agenda items will be taken in the order above. However, in certain circumstances, the Commission may elect to take an item out of order. Please be aware that topics not listed on the agenda may be introduced during the Commission Comment period, the Director's Report, Public Comment period, Other Issues or at other times during the meeting.

Oregon's Public Meetings Law requires disclosure that Commission members may meet for meals on Thursday and Friday.

Executive Session: The Commission may also convene in a confidential executive session where, by law, only members of the press and Department staff may attend. Others will be asked to leave the room during these discussions, which usually deal with current or potential litigation. Before convening such a session, the presiding Commission member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

***Public Testimony:** The Commission encourages public comment on any agenda item. However, public testimony may be limited on items marked with an asterisk (*). The asterisk means that the item has already been the subject of a formal public hearing or contested case hearing. On certain items marked with an asterisk, the Commission may be authorized to allow public comments. People wishing to speak to the Commission are asked to fill out a comment request sheet (available at the information table). Comments relating to a specific agenda item will be heard by the Commission as each agenda item is considered. Comments on other topics may be made during the public comment period on Friday at approximately 11:30 am.

Every attempt will be made to share with the Commission written comments that are delivered to the Director's Office in advance of the meeting date. Early delivery of written comments is strongly encouraged so that Commissioners have sufficient opportunity to review materials prior to the meeting. To submit written comments directly to the Commission, please bring at least ten copies to the meeting.

Questions? If you have any questions about this agenda or the Commission's procedures, please call Cindy Smith, Commission Assistant, at 503-986-0876.

If special physical, language or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise Cindy Smith at the phone number mentioned above as soon as possible but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Water Resources Commission

(with city of residence, region represented, and year of term expiration)

The Commission is a seven-member citizen body that sets state water policy and oversees activities of the Water Resources Department.

John Jackson, Chair	Cornelius	Northwest Region	2013
Charles Barlow, Vice-Chair	Nyssa	Eastern Region	2013
Mary Meloy	Bend	North Central Region	2013
Jeanne LeJeune	Portland	West Side at Large	2012
John Roberts	Medford	Southwest Region	2012
Ray Williams	Milton-Freewater	East Side at Large	2013
Carol Whipple	Elkton	West Central Region	2013

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DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING

Coming from the East on I-84:

Take the Port of Morrow Exit 165

Turn right at the end of off ramp

Turn left on Columbia Avenue

Past the water tower turn right on Ulman Ave

Go across the bridge and turn left on Marine Dr

Approx. 1 mile on the right is Riverfront Center

Coming from the West on I-84:

Take City of Boardman Exit 164

Turn left onto Main Street

Go across the railroad overpass

Turn right on Marine Drive

Approx. 1 mile on the left is Riverfront Center

Parking

Available on-site