

# Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy

Biennial Workplans  
Agenda Item I

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- **Agenda:**
- Draft 2025-27 Workplan (Attachment 1)
- Proposed 2027-29 Workplan Development

# 2025-27 Workplan Development

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# State Agencies contributing to the IWRS Workplan

1. Business Oregon
2. Dept of Agriculture
3. Dept of Geology & Mineral Industries
4. Dept of Energy
5. Dept of Environmental Quality
6. Dept of Fish & Wildlife
7. Dept of Forestry
8. Dept of Land Conservation & Development
9. Dept of State Lands
10. Oregon Health Authority
11. Oregon State Marine Board
12. Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board
13. Parks & Recreation Dept
14. Water Resources Dept

# 2025-27 Workplan

## Part 1: Priorities

Appendix E  
Priority  
Tasks

Mostly 6  
agencies  
(some  
additions)

## Part 2: Full IWRS

Appendix D  
Full IWRS

14 agencies

Ongoing  
work,  
Programs, or  
Projects not  
captured by  
Priorities

# Part 1: Priorities (Appendix E)

Priority Area 1: Act with Urgency to Protect Instream and Out-of-Stream Uses				
P1.1 Reduce unauthorized water use and gain compliance with other water laws	P1.2 Provide guidance for what constitutes reasonable use of water	P1.3 Increase the use of existing programs and tools and develop new programs and tools that protect priority waters and/or watersheds that support instream needs and promote resiliency	P1.4 Expand efforts to protect the quality of surface and groundwater sources that provide drinking water to Oregonians	P1.5 Implement improvements to water permitting processes to improve transparency, efficiency, and effectiveness of decisions
Priority Area 2: Assist the State and Communities to Prepare for Water Scarcity				
P2.1 Increase quality and accessibility of water availability, water use, and water demand information	P2.2 Modernize water data systems and website user interfaces to facilitate wider data sharing amongst agencies and the public and enhanced customer service	P2.3 Improve understanding of instream and out-of-stream needs through increased numbers of completed basin assessments, instream flow studies, and clean water plans	P2.4 Increase the number of communities and Tribes that have completed or are participating in water planning efforts to meet instream and out-of-stream water needs, protect drinking water sources, improve water quality and promote drought resiliency	P2.5 Increase the involvement of OWRD in advisory committees for Economic Opportunity Analyses (EOAs) and implement other actions to better align land use planning and actions with water resource goals
Priority Area 3: Adapt to Water Scarcity by Stretching Our Water Supplies				
P3.1 Increase the pace and scale of completion of water reuse and aquifer storage, recovery and recharge projects that support resilience and protect the environment	P3.2 Increase the number of water users that are planning for or implementing water conservation, efficiency, or modernization efforts that support resilience or improve instream flows	P3.3 Align existing and future agency funding and incentives programs to further instream flow restoration, groundwater recharge, source water protection, and water quality and habitat improvement efforts in priority basins/watersheds	P3.4 Identify priority areas and/or guidance for new above and below ground storage that would support resilience and protect public health and the environment	P3.5 Improve water right transfer processing times for lower risk transfers to facilitate the movement of water to high-priority use

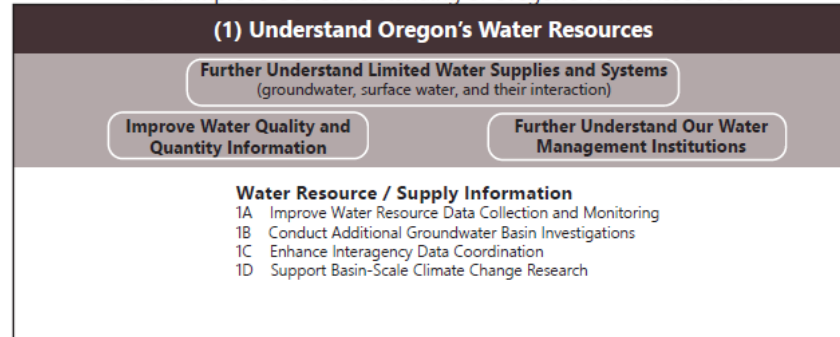
# Part 2: Full IWRS (Appendix D)

## Oregon's 2025 Integrated Water Resources Strategy

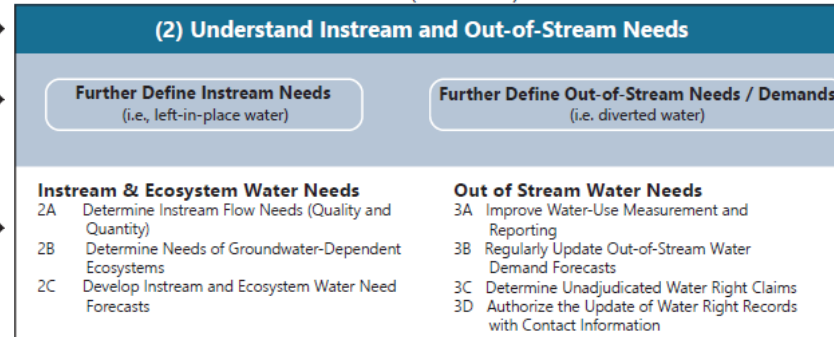
A framework for improving our understanding of Oregon's water resources and meeting our instream and out-of-stream needs, including water quantity, water quality, and ecosystem needs



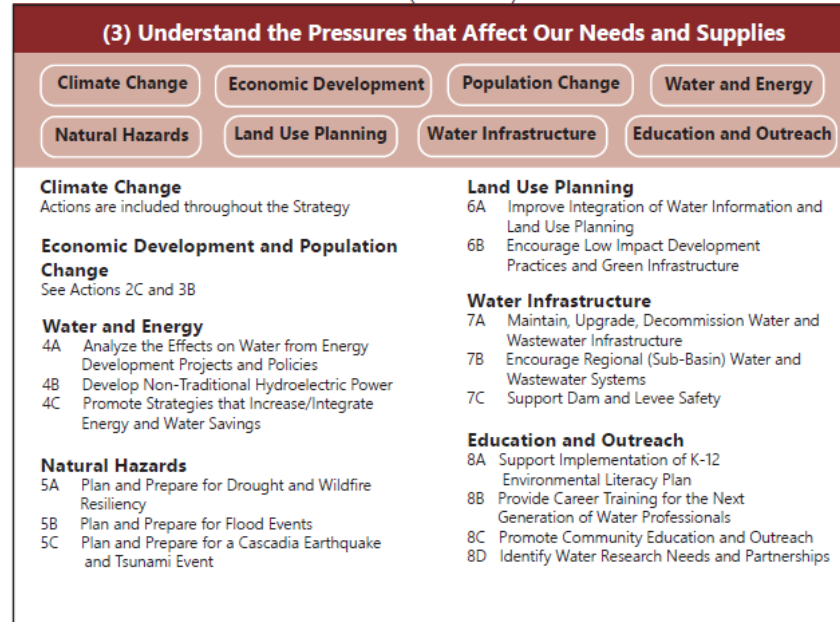
### Goal 1: Improve Our Understanding of Oregon's Water Resources



### Goal 1 (continued)



### Goal 1 (continued)



### Goal 2: Meet Oregon's Water Resource Needs





# What goes in the Workplan?

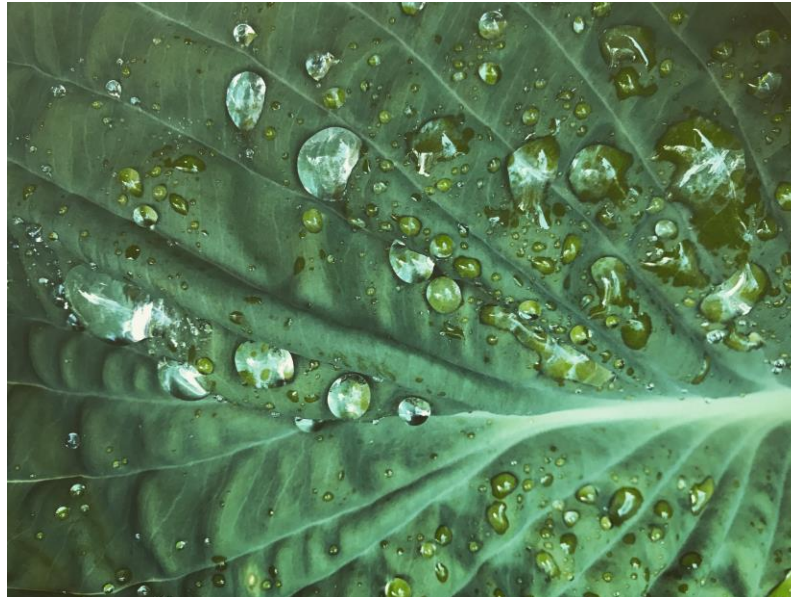
- High-level, simple descriptions
- Minimize tracking and reporting effort
- Point to agency-specific workplans if needed





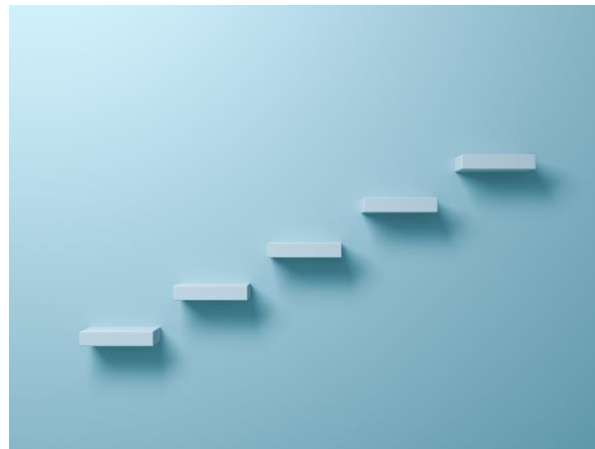
# Tribal Engagement

- October letter to all Tribes
- Burns Paiute Tribe requested consultation
  - Discussed steps for co-management

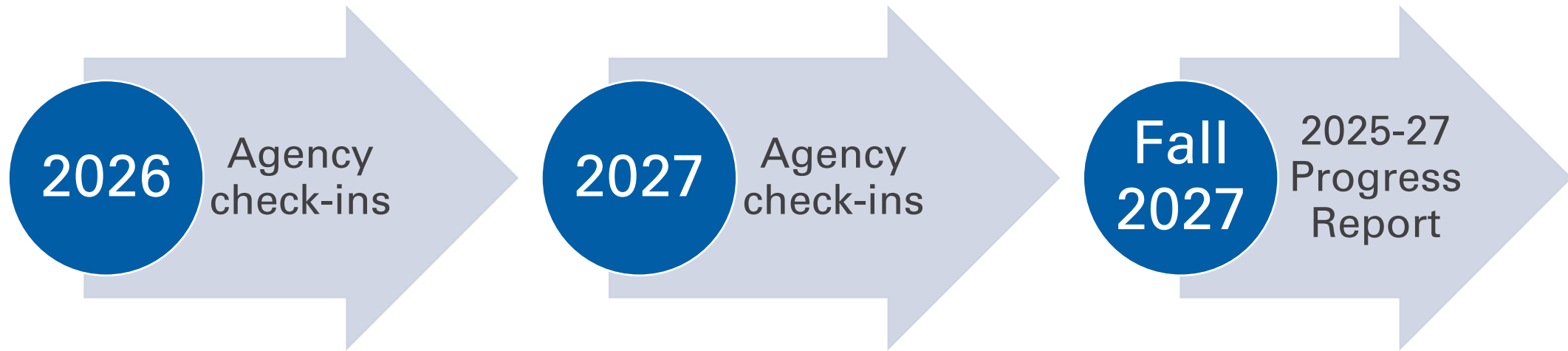


# Next Steps

- Attachment 1 is a Draft
- Agencies are finalizing the Workplan this month
- Finalize by the end of the year



# 2025-27 Workplan Tracking & Progress Report

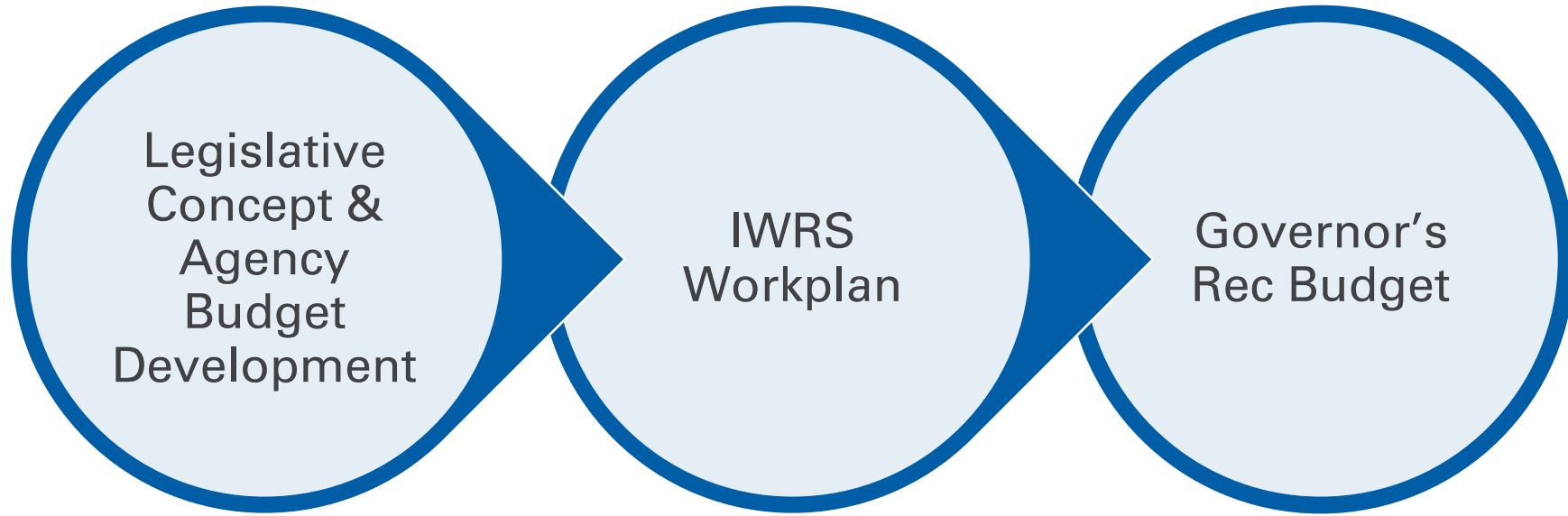


# **Proposed 2027-29 Workplan Development**

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# 2027-29 Workplan Development

**2026**



**2027**



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## Executive Order 25-26

Directing state agencies to take urgent action to promote the **resilience** of our communities and natural and working lands and waters



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WATER RESOURCES  
DEPARTMENT

# Thank you!

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