



Oregon's 76th Legislative Assembly

Oregon Water Resources Department
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Outline

- 2012 Session Stats
- Review of Three Bills from 2012
- 2013 Session...a Look Ahead
- WRD's Proposed Legislative Concepts
- Action Item

2012 Session Statistics

- Session convened February 1; adjourned March 5
- The first of Oregon's annual sessions
- Almost 300 bills introduced
- No bills sponsored by the Department



Review of Three Bills from 2012

- House Bill 4101...Columbia River Bill...didn't pass
Sponsor - Rep. Mike McLane (R-Powell Butte)
Next steps? Governor's Columbia River Task Force
- Senate Bill 1510...Ecosystem Services...didn't pass
Sponsor - SENR Committee
Next steps? Private sector partners and DEQ working to quantify / value restoration activities
- Senate Bill 1513...Split-Season Leasing...didn't pass
Sponsor - SENR Committee
Next steps? Part of WRD/Governor's 2013 portfolio.

2013 Session a Look Ahead

- Election results may change the composition of chambers, policy committees, budget subcommittee
- Session convenes January 14, 2013.
- Longer session – 160 days
- Department budget & legislative requests submitted



WRD Proposed Legislative Concepts

- Legislative concepts are due to the Dept. of Administrative Services on May 1.
- Met with stakeholders March 21 and April 13 to discuss preliminary concepts.
- Modified some concepts as a result, to clarify language or address concerns.
- See Attachment 1 for concepts.
- Items with (*) are called out in the IWRS as well.

Alternatives

- Advise WRD to move forward with this slate of legislative concepts for further development.
- Advise WRD to move forward with legislative concepts as modified by the Commission.



Recommendation

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Thank You

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