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MEMORANDUM

TO: Water Resources Commission

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SUBJECT: Agenda Item O, November 15, 2013
Water Resources Commission Meeting

Budget Update – 2013-15 Biennium

I. Issue Statement and Background

The 2013-15 Legislatively approved budget included packages that were new, or increased staff activities. This report will focus on progress that is being made to implement those packages.

II. Discussion

As mentioned in the Director's report, the department has been filling a number of new positions received in the 2013-15 budget. Preliminary implementation plans and an initial progress report will be provided at the Commission meeting for a number of the 2013-15 budget packages.

Pkg #101 – Reinstate Water-Use Reporting Program
Pkg #102 – Secure Instream Protections
Pkg #103 – Re-Capitalize the Measurement Cost Share Fund
Pkg #105 – Groundwater Data Collection
Pkg #106 – Surface Water Data Collection
Pkg #201 – Implement Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy
Pkg #202 – Conduct Basin Groundwater Investigations
Pkg #203 – Build Field Services Capacity
Pkg #204 – Water Supply Development Program
Pkg #205 – Water Development Loan Fund – Umatilla Project
Pkg #206 – Feasibility Study Grants
Pkg #208 – Extend Water Transaction Fee Schedule
Pkg #209 – Make Assistant Watermaster Permanent

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III. Summary

A great amount of activity is occurring to implement the 2013-15 budget. The Department will make a presentation at the Commission meeting on the progress made through the month of October and next steps for the coming year.

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