

Groundwater Advisory Committee Appointments

Oregon Water Resources Commission
October 13, 2016

Brenda Bateman, Technical Services Division Administrator
Justin Iverson, Groundwater Section Manager



Statutory Authority

ORS 536.090

- Nine Member Committee
- Three Year Terms, Two Term Limit
- Members Represent Various Interests, Expertise, and Regions
 - Three Members Active in the Well Drilling Industry

GWAC Responsibilities

- Advise Commission and Department
 - Rules related to groundwater
 - Licensing and examination of well drillers
 - Annual review of start card fund

Expiring Terms

- Garry Zollman, Pendleton, Driller
 - 2nd term
- Jim Carleton, Merrill, Irrigator
 - 2nd term
- Chris Hyatt, Portland, Consultant
 - 1st term

Process

- Department solicited candidates
 - GWAC email list
 - Direct solicitation of individuals with target expertise and geographical representation
- Three applicants expressed interest
- Staff conducted interviews

Nominations for Term Extending Dec. 1, 2016 to Nov. 30, 2019

- Chad Courtney, Pendleton, Driller
 - 1st term
- Mark Owens, Crane, Irrigator
 - 1st term
- Chris Hyatt, Portland, Consultant
 - 2nd term

Alternatives

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