#### **Consideration for Adoption** Oregon's 2017 Integrated Water Resources Strategy



Agenda Item A Water Resources Commission Meeting December 7-8, 2017



# Presentation Overview

- Background about the process
- Perspectives from the Project Team
- Overview of the content
- Revisions
- Next steps: final design and layout
- Commission discussion
- Public comment
- Request for adoption



## Background

- Purpose
- 2012 Focus data and information
- Required to update every five years
- Kept the 2012 goals, objectives, guiding principles, and critical issues intact
- Resulted in 9 new recommended actions
- Continued emphasis on process



### **About the Process**



#### November 2015

- Update process begins
- Use of 3 Advisory Groups
- Public outreach
- Regular updates to Commission
- Issued a Public Review Draft
- 3-month public comment period
- Edits/Revisions
- Request for Adoption

December 2017



- Convened in 2016 to support the update process
- An advisory body to the Department and Commission
- Meetings were open to the public, materials posted online
- A final two-day meeting was held in December 2016
- Recommendations finalized January 2017





## **Other Advisory Groups**

- State Agency Advisory Group
  - Internal coordination
  - Content development
  - Reviews

- Federal Liaison Group
  - Informational sharing
  - Key partners on many topics
- WRC Sub-Committee
  - Assisted with open houses
  - Review and feedback
- Internal advisors



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## June 2016 Open Houses & Survey

- Pendleton
   Medford
- Ontario
  Bend
- Salem
  Beaverton





#### Public Survey:

- Another way to submit comments
- Same set of discussion questions
- Survey was open for 30 days
- Over 66 individuals participated
- Results shared with Commission



## **Public Review Draft**



#### **Oregon's 2017 Integrated Water Resources Strategy**

PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT April 19, 2017

Comment Period: April 19, 2017 through June 19, 2017 July 19, 2017

Submit comments to waterstrategy@wrd.state.or.us or by mail to:

Oregon Water Resources Department c/o Alyssa Mucken North Mall Office Building 725 Summer Street NE, Suite A Salem, Oregon 97301



## **Public Comment & Revisions**

- 250 individuals provided comments
- 38 organizations provided comments
- Generally supportive of the draft
- Offered numerous suggested revisions
- Often stated support for issues or actions already contained in the draft
- Shared with the Commission in August 2017



## **Project Team Agencies**

- Danette Faucera
   Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Ray Jaindl Department of Agriculture
- Karen Tarnow
   Department of Environmental Quality

Next Item: Overview of Content and Revisions



- Governor's Foreword
- WRC Resolution
- Introduction

- Four main chapters
- Conclusion
- List of Acronyms
- Acknowledgements
- IWRS Framework



## Introduction

- The charge to develop a Strategy
- Our successes since 2012
- Cross-cutting issues
  - Groundwater
  - Climate change & extreme events
  - Funding & investments
  - Collaborative solutions
- Organization of the document
- PAG vision statements



#### Chapter 1 Understand Water Resources Today

- The map chapter, shows "status"
- Monitoring, data, and information
- Water management institutions





# Chapter 2

Understand Instream & Out-of-Stream Needs

- Demand forecasts
- Water use measurement
- Adjudications
- Water right records
- Instream flows
- Groundwater dependent ecosystems





**Chapter 3** Understanding the Coming Pressures...

- Energy
- Climate change
- Extreme events (droughts, floods, and earthquakes)
- Land-use
- Infrastructure (includes dam safety)
- Education and outreach



#### Chapter 4 Meet Instream & Out-of-Stream Needs

- Place-based efforts
- Water management & development
- Healthy ecosystems
- Public health
- Funding



## **Overview of Content**

## Conclusion

- Steps already underway
- Steps requiring assistance
- Guiding principles

# Acronyms Acknowledgements Framework



## **Other Items**

- Governor's Foreword in development
- Errata Sheet (Attachment 3)
- Executive Summary in development
- "Partner Stories"



## **Other Items – Partner Stories**

#### "Partner Stories"

- Volunteer monitoring at Oregon beaches
- Salmon Safe program
- Water & energy irrigation efficiency
- Green infrastructure & natural treatment
- Modernizing irrigation infrastructure
- Habitat restoration in the Rogue Basin
- Fish passage in the Trask River watershed
- Pesticide outreach in the Clackamas River watershed
- Upper Deschutes Basin water planning



## **Next Steps**

#### Today

- Discussion of resolution & other content
- Public comment
- Request for action

#### After Today's Meeting

- Finalize formatting, page number adjustments
- Publication / printing
- Attribute artwork (April Waters & Susan Luckey Higdon



## Discussion

#### **Commission Discussion:**

- Review the resolution (See P. 5-6)
- Any changes needed?
- Other items?

## Next Item: Pause for public comment



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## Discussion

### **Public Comment**



## **Request for Action**

Option 1: Adopt the 2017 Strategy as proposed in Attachment 1

Option 2: Adopt the 2017 Strategy as proposed in Attachment 1, with modifications

#### **Option 3:**

Do not adopt the 2017 Strategy, directing staff to return in 2018 with a revised 2017 Strategy for the Commission's consideration



# Thank You