

Place-Based Integrated Water Resources Planning



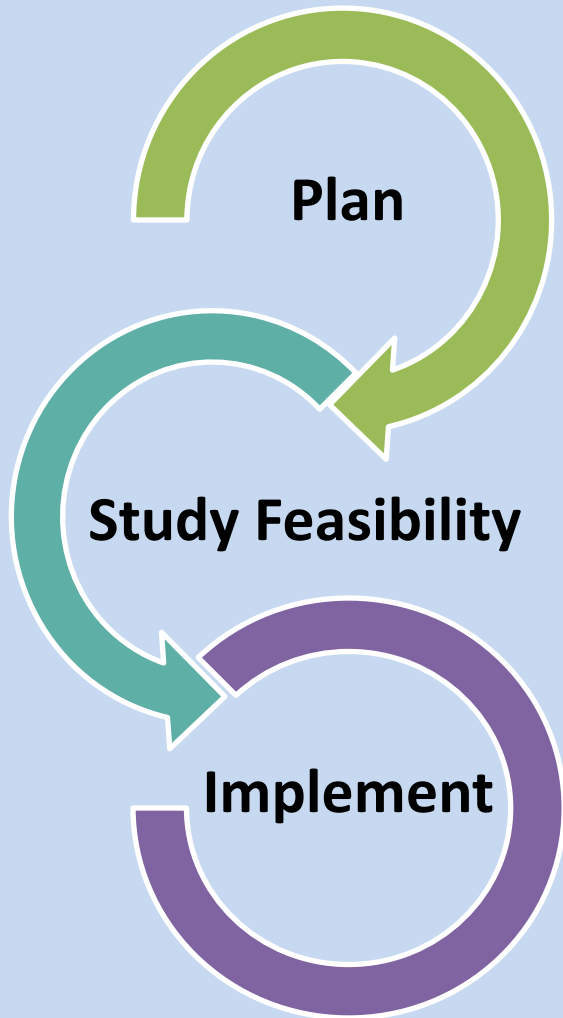
Authorization for Expending Remaining Place-Based Planning Funds

Planning Coordinators

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Water Resources Development Program

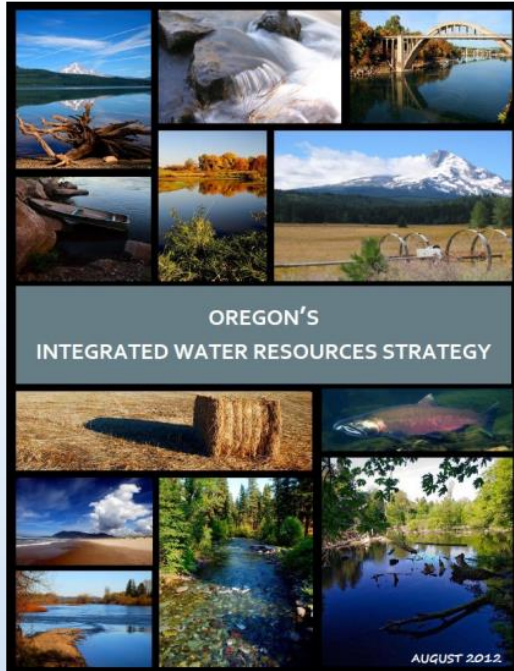


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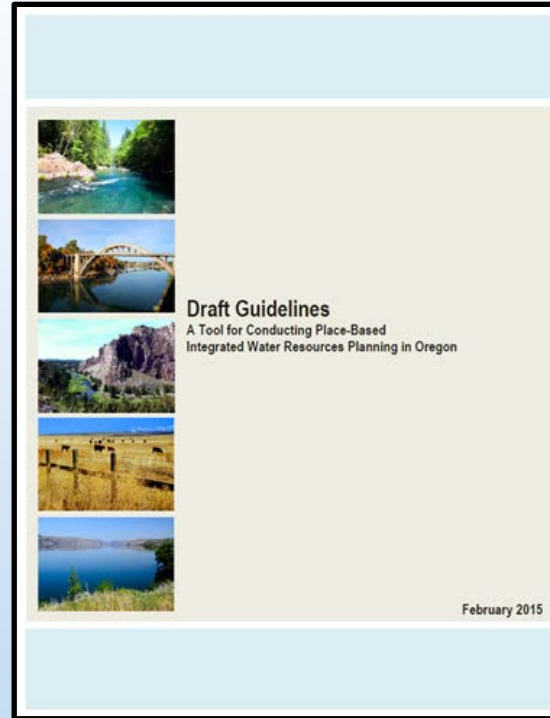
- Feasibility Study Grants

- Water Projects Grants & Loans

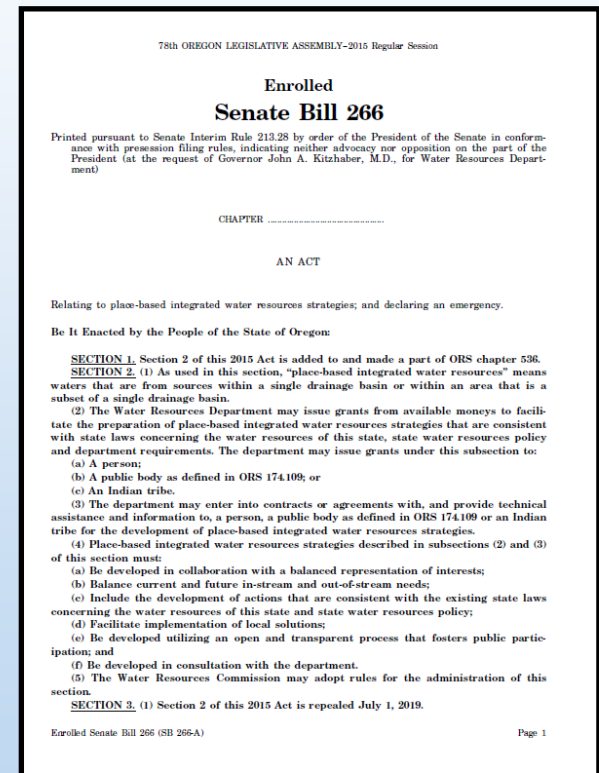
IWRS Recommended Action 9A



Integrated Water Resources Strategy

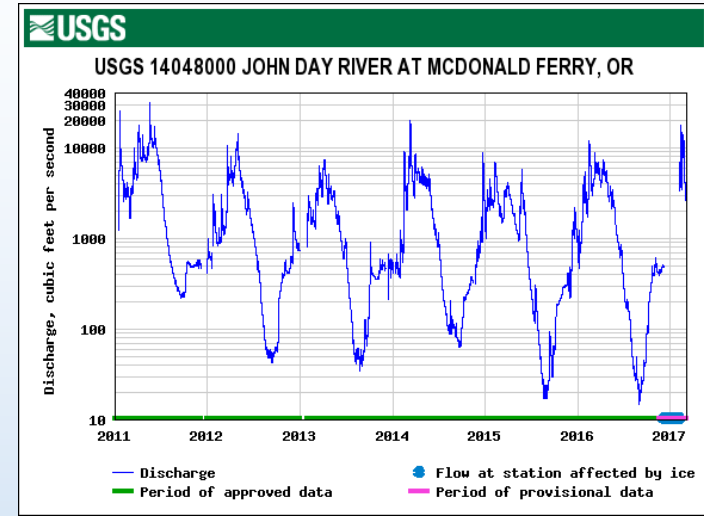
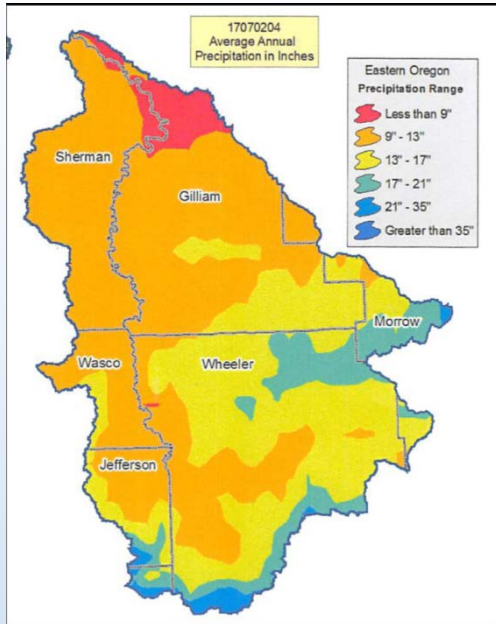


Draft Guidelines



2015 Senate Bill 266

Place-Based Planning



Five Planning Steps


Step 1 - Build a collaborative and inclusive process



Step 2 – Create a shared understanding of water resources and identify gaps



Step 3 - Determine current/future water supply and needs (in and out-of-stream)



Step 4 - Identify local solutions to meet needs



Step 5 – Adopt and Implement Integrated Water Resources Plan

Key Principles



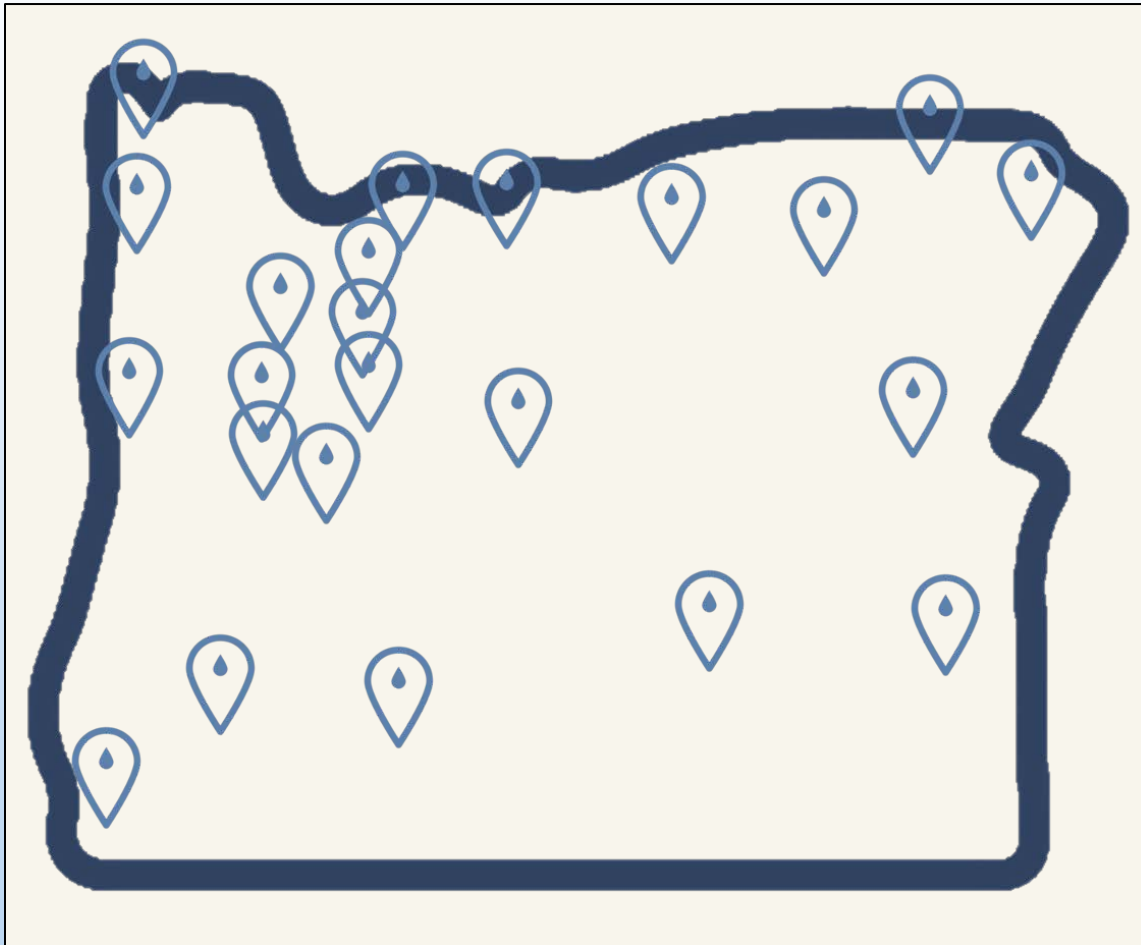
- **Locally initiated and led**
- **Voluntary, non-regulatory**
- **Balanced representation of interests**
- **Addresses instream and out-of-stream**
- **Integrates quantity, quality, & eco-needs**
- **Open and transparent process**
- **Conducted in partnership with the state**
- **Does not infringe on existing water rights**
- **Adheres to IWRS principles & state laws**

Pilot Phase Objectives



- Inspire collaboration & integration
- Build local capacity & support
- Test the Draft Guidelines
- Inform the IWRS update
- Leverage funding & attract investments
- Develop two plans by 2019

2015 Solicitation



23 places inquired
16 letters of interest
\$3.6 M requested
\$750k available

The Four Planning Areas

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Conveners and Grantees



Upper Grande Ronde

Grantee: Union County

Convener: Donna Beverage, Commissioner



Lower John Day

Grantee: Gilliam County SWCD

Conveners: Christina Kirwan, Gilliam SWCD
Debra Bunch, Wheeler SWCD

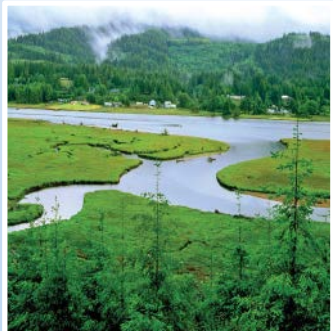
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Malheur Lake

Grantee: Harney Basin Watershed Council

Conveners: Mark Owens, Commissioner
Brenda Smith, Watershed Council



Mid-Coast

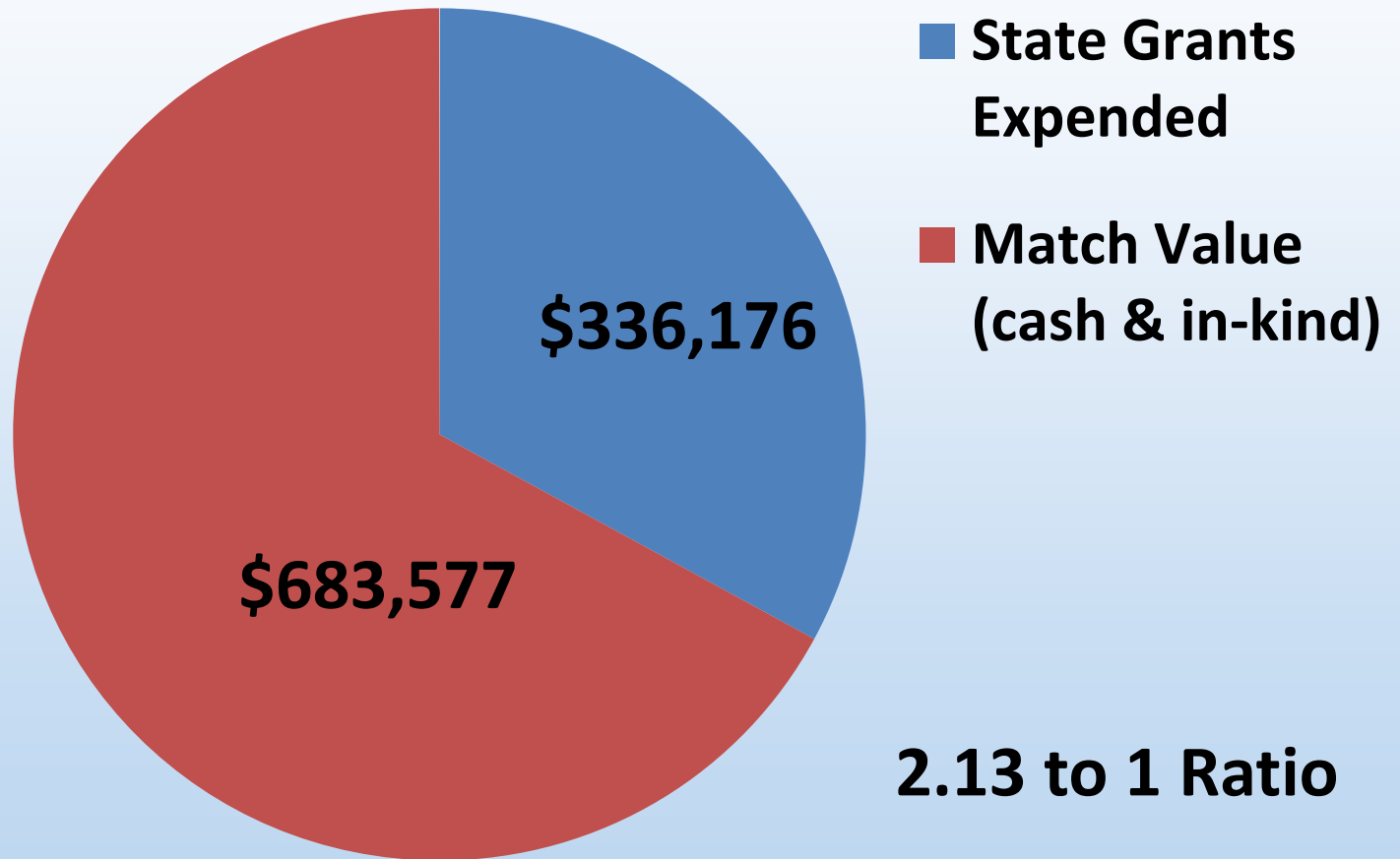
Grantee: City of Newport

Conveners: Tim Gross, City of Newport
Harmony Burrigh, OWRD
Alan Fujishin, Gibson Farms
Adam Denlinger, Seal Rock Water

2016 Grants Awarded

Grant	Funding Requested	Funding Awarded
Upper Grande Ronde	\$197,000	\$197,000
Lower John Day	\$190,000	\$190,000
Mid-Coast	\$330,300	\$135,000
Malheur Lake	\$205,500	\$135,000
Grant Sub-Total	\$892,500	\$657,000
Reserve Funds		\$93,000
TOTAL		\$750,000

2016/17 Planning Costs



2016/17 Accomplishments



- **Reducing barriers between people with diverse water interests**
- **Gaining a common understanding of water resources, issues, and demands**
- **Building planning tools & forming support networks with agencies & funders**
- **Achieving the Pilot Phase objectives**

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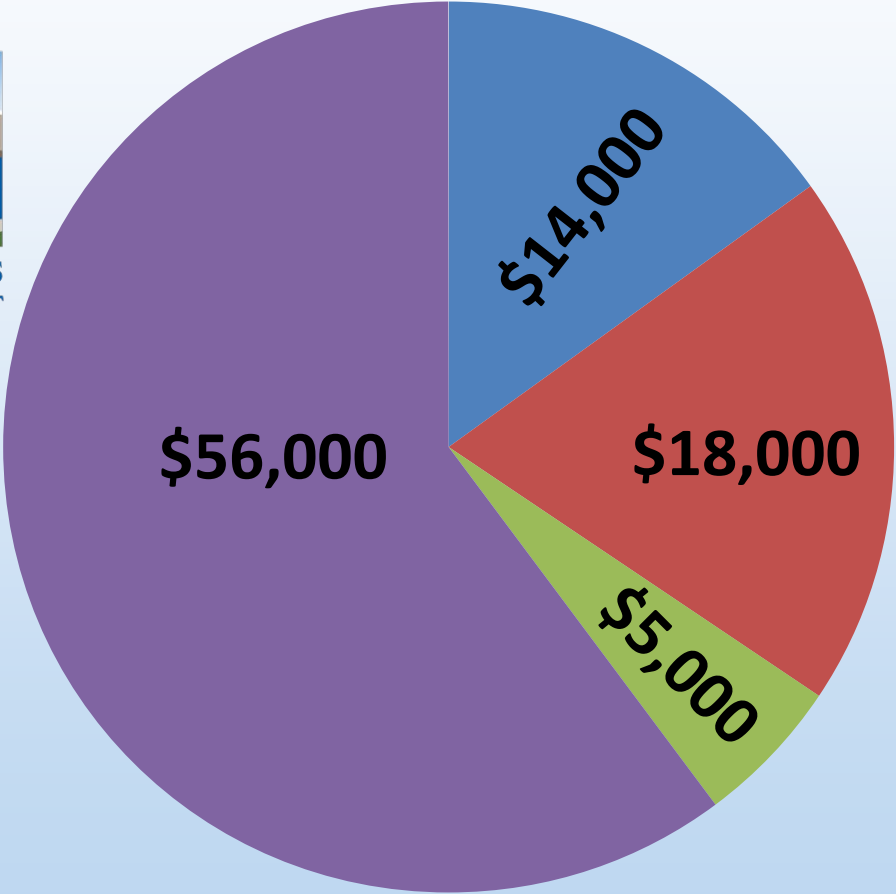
\$93,000 Reserve Funds



August 2016 Commission authorized:

- 1. Additional funds for *two partially-funded....***
- 2. Engage experts to assist all four groups...**
- 3. Assist in funding *2017 workshop***

\$93,000 Reserve Funds



- National Policy Consensus Center
- Association of Oregon Counties
- Sustainable Northwest
- Unobligated

Unobligated Reserve Funds

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The Department requests authority to use the unobligated \$56,000 of place-based planning funds for contracts, grants or other agreements for the following purposes:

- 1. Provide additional financial assistance to all four funded planning groups as needs are identified;**
- 2. Engage statewide collaboration and conflict resolution experts and other resources that assist all four planning groups; and**
- 3. Assist in funding a workshop in spring 2018 for the planning groups.**

Commission Alternatives



- 1. Authorize the Department to spend the remaining \$56,000 for the purposes identified in Section IV of the staff report**
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Director's Recommendation



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