



Greater Harney Valley – Groundwater Study Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 19, 2016
9:00am – 4:00pm
Harney County Community Center – 484 N Broadway, Burns, OR



Advisory Committee Members

Allison Aldous, The Nature Conservancy
 Angie Ketscher, Citizen/Landowner
 Brandon Haslick, Burns Paiute Tribe
 Brenda Smith, High Desert Partnership
 Dan Nichols, Citizen/Landowner (not present)
 Erin Maupin, Citizen/Landowner
 Fred Otley, Citizen/Landowner
 Herb Vloedman, Citizen/Landowner
 Gary Ball, US Fish and Wildlife Services
 JR Johnson, OWRD (not present)
 Karen Moon, Harney County Watershed Council
 Mark Owens, County Commission and Landowner
 Steve Rickman, Landowner/Business Owner
 Tony Hackett, Downright Drilling
 Wayne Evans, Citizen/Landowner

Groundwater Study Team

Darrick Boschman, OWRD
 Jerry Grondin, OWRD
 Justin Iverson, OWRD
 Steve Gingerich, USGS (not present)
 Terrence Conlon, USGS (not present)
 Hank Johnson, USGS (not present)
 Esther Pischel, USGS (not present)
 Amanda Garcia, USGS (not present)
 Nick Dosch, USGS (not present)

Others

Harmony Burreight, OWRD (Facilitator)
 Dally Swindlehurst, OWRD (not present)
 Jason Spriet, OWRD (not present)

Timing	Agenda Topic	Objective	Supporting Materials
9:00 – 9:05	Introductions	Allow everyone in the room to introduce themselves	
9:05 – 9:50	Presentation	Provide an overview of the process and protocols for measuring groundwater levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PowerPoint presentation
9:50 – 10:00 (More time as needed)	Questions/ Comments	Solicit thoughts and questions from the public to inform the afternoon work session	
10:00 – 10:15	Break		
10:15 – 10:30	Round Table and Agenda Review	Provide an opportunity for Advisory Committee members to share and discuss issues of interest and importance and revise the agenda as necessary	
10:30 – 11:00	Local Monitoring Network	Discuss the status of the local monitoring network, including the number and distribution of potential wells and the proposed timeline for taking measurements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List and/or map of proposed wells
11:00 – 12:00	Groundwater Level Measurements – Quality Assurance	Review and discuss process and protocols for measuring, recording, and reporting groundwater levels. Discuss and reach agreement on the elements of a quality assurance process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field sheets Presentation



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12:00 – 12:45	Working Lunch (Lunch provided for those on the agenda)	Quality assurance conversations continued and other discussion as appropriate and relevant
12:45 – 1:00	Travel	Travel to Downright Drilling shop on Hines Blvd
1:00 – 3:00	Taking Groundwater Level Measurements	Learn how to take measurements consistently in different wells, and practice taking measurements from wells that may present a challenge
3:00 – 3:45	Groundwater Level Measurements – Debriefing	Debrief conversations and activities related to groundwater level measurements
3:45 – 4:00	Wrap Up and Next Steps	Look ahead to the next few months, confirm action items, schedule the next meeting and identify future discussion topics
