

WQPMT Meeting Agenda
November 7, 2019 9:30 am – 2:30 pm
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Lloyd 700 Building, 700 NE Multnomah St. #600
Portland, Oregon
Conference Room 601 (6th Floor)

9:30 Introductions

9:45 Presentation on Clean Rivers Coalition – Roy Iwai, Multnomah County

The Clean Rivers Coalition is collaborative effort between municipal agencies, non-governmental organizations and other entities (e.g., SWCDs, state agencies) to build a bridge between clean water and healthy communities through education and engagement. In addition to holding multiple forums, the CRC has been working in partnership with a communications consultant to interview technical and outreach experts to determine the most impactful pollutants on our waterways and the most promising areas for behavior change. The CRC also just completed a survey of 400-600 Oregonians about their receptivity to making behavior changes that will positively impact water. The initial focus of their messaging strategy will focus on reducing use of fertilizers and pesticides and promoting waterwise gardening to reduce pollution in stormwater

10:45 Planning for Stakeholder Advisory Group Meeting

The first meeting of the Stakeholder Advisory Group will be held on November 15, 2019 in Salem at the Oregon Department of Agriculture. The members of the SAG will be presented and discussed. The agenda will be reviewed and WQPMT members will discuss the items and how they will be presented. The Team will discuss what the goal should be for the meeting and to what extent they will be involved with the presentations and discussions.

11:45 Lunch

12:45 PSP Budget and Grant Update

We will discuss the status of the 2019-2021 PSP budget and the current obligations of the funds for various elements of the program. Specifically, we will focus on the status of technical assistance and partner grant funds and get the Team's input on any further funding needs.

1:05 South Umpqua Pilot Study

The South Umpqua Pilot Study is currently on hold. During exploratory monitoring, at no time was a pesticide detected above 15% of an Aquatic life benchmark. Atrazine has however been detected at a frequency approaching 60% which would make it a pesticide of moderate concern. Other areas of the state with potential pesticide and water quality concerns and intensive ag & urban land uses have approached the program about launching a PSP. Given these developments, the WQPMT will discuss and if possible make a decision to continue or not to continue our efforts in the South Umpqua.

1:45 Discussion of SIA's and PSP's

Brenda Sanchez will lead a discussion regarding the potential interactions between ODA's Strategic Implementation Areas and the PSP and PSP partner areas. This discussion will focus on how the two programs can work closer together and how the goals of the SIA and PSP overlap.

2:30 Ajourn