

# Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council Steering Committee

## Meeting Notes

March 1, 2007

**Facilitator: Mark Wilkening**

**Attendees: Diana Bus, Paul Boehner, Brian Forge, Deb Schmidt, Pam Reber, Allen Martin, Larry Weaver, Don Loeffler, Alison Center, Jim Mough**

### **Budget Update**

Pam presented an overview of the financial report. Alison asked the Steering Committee if the detail presented in the financial report was adequate and the Committee responded in the affirmative.

### **OWEB Board/Lane County Board of County Commissioner's presentation**

Upper Willamette coordinators have previously committed to updating the County Commissioners. They have met and are working on a presentation for April 9<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> to the County Commissioners. Let Pam know if you're interested and she'll give folks details as they are finalized. Objectives are to reconnect with them and request their support for fish barriers, hazardous waste round-ups, open space/park planning, and other key priorities in the watershed.

OWEB Board invited councils in the Upper Willamette to make a presentation on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March. The four watersheds are proposing put together a collaborative presentation covering a major accomplishment in each of the watersheds. Need to put together a sub-presentation on Garden Lake. It was agreed to commit \$100 on snacks, etc for the meeting. Ideas to include in the presentation were discussed and included: Moving from assessment to project implementation, Garden lake project, Pond Turtle habitat enhancement project, awareness of Black Butte Mine mercury issue, council serves as a liaison, community connection (ex. Creswell Mayor and community).

### **New Recruitment and Evaluation Proposal**

Diana reviewed the proposal. Changes to consider include: positions will be filled as soon as qualified candidates emerge from our process instead of working to fill to 15 positions. New members need to have a record of participation in council activities and/or subcommittee activities. Consider adding to the diversity of the council. Larry provided his comments in writing to Diana. Diana will make revisions and have a draft final out by the 16<sup>th</sup>, any remaining comments should be back to Diana by the 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon. Diana will finalize the process and send out for folks to keep as reference.

### **Technical Committee Update**

Submitted two grant proposals – Priory farm and Mt. Pisgah. Work already started at Priory farm.

Pam is working with Cottage Grove and Creswell on TMDL monitoring plans. Garden Lake – invasive removal and planting completed on the West side.

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### **Ed/Outreach Committee Update**

Stephanie from Walama restoration approached the ed/outreach group with a proposal to prepare grants in support of watershed education programs at the local schools. She has submitted a grant to the Woodard foundation. At least a portion of the grant is to procure water monitoring equipment. Pam will forward the final proposal to the Steering Committee.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Next Council meeting March 28<sup>th</sup> in Creswell Garden Lake Park Restoration Project

### **Agenda items for next meeting Steering Committee meeting, April 8, 2007**

- Update on council membership
- Update on support grant
- Quarterly report – coordinator's next quarter plan
- Budget