

# Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council Steering Committee

## Meeting Notes

April 5, 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, Dustin Bengtson, Wendy Hudson**

### **Wendy Hudson, OWEB Willamette Region Program Representative Update:**

OWEB's sources of funding: mostly lottery dollars with some federal funds. Separated by Capital projects (65%) and Non-capital projects (35%). Non capital has lost funds to shortages in other areas of the State's general budget in previous bienniums. There is a good opportunity for funding of restoration projects with the projected budget over the next biennium.

### **Support Grant Update:**

Outlook is better for this upcoming biennium at this time for Council support. Timeline – hope to get evaluation next week, but won't get a number score. Councils will be Rated from excellent to needs improvement. At the May board meeting the OWEB board will do it's best to define awards.

When new budget comes out we'll see more increase in technical assistance than any other area.

Potential projects: Modifying/removing diversions upstream from Garden Lake park on Hill Creek. Need to establish a relationship with landowner and get them on board and supportive of the project.

### **Budget Update**

Alison gave an overview of the financial report. Budget committee will meet either the third or fourth week of May. Plan to bring our 07-09 budget to the June Steering Committee meeting.

### **Quarterly Update of Proposed Coordinator Work for Next Quarter:**

Reviewed the Coordinator's proposal for April thru June. Steering Committee approved the proposal. Diana suggested that it is valuable to see increases and decreases in time allocated for specific areas from the last quarter and get input from the steering committee on suggested changes. Larry suggested that there should be flexibility in the work proposal for changes to address unanticipated needs.

### **Projects/Updates**

Garden Lake – City of Creswell is doing some work cleaning things up in the park.

Work day on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the park.

Coordinator out of town April 28<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>. Will reschedule our Steering Committee meeting to fit Pam's schedule.

Landowner recruitment grant received – Middle fork is managing.

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

Diana has finalized this process and submitted it to Don Loeffler for posting on the council section on the web. If you don't have that link, contact the webmaster or coordinator to get it.

### **Upcoming Meetings/Events**

April 21 Garden Lake Work Party 9am

April 25 Council Public Meeting – Restoration Planning and Maps presentation by Pamela Wright, ODEQ – 7 pm Cottage Grove Community Center

April 28 Garden Lake Park events: Open House 10-1 pm, ODFW Youth Fishing Event 9:30 to 1 pm.

May 19<sup>th</sup> SOLV Down by the Riverside – this will be the May Public meeting

### **Technical Committee Meeting**

Brief review of draft action plan. Intend to have finalized by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Agenda items for next meeting Steering Committee meeting, June 7, 2007**

- Feedback on the Draft Action Plan
- Review comments from OWEB
- Budget committee report out
- Next project focus