



Logistics for Planning Projects in Streams:

tools and resources

What is a watershed council?

- WATERSHED:

1. A region or area bounded peripherally by a water parting and draining ultimately to a particular watercourse or body of water.
2. An area of land where all the water that drains off of it, or is under it, flows into the same place.



What is a watershed council?

- COUNCIL:

1. an assembly or meeting for consultation, advice or discussion,
2. a group elected or appointed as an advisory or legislative body,
3. an executive body whose members are equal in power and authority,
4. a federation of or a central body uniting a group of organizations





History of Watershed Councils

- Watershed councils are locally organized, voluntary, non-regulatory groups established to improve the condition of watersheds in their local area.

History of Watershed Councils

1995: Local governments are established as the entity responsible for recognizing the formation of watershed councils in their community.

2010: Ballot Measure 76 confirmed that 15% of lottery revenues will continue to be spent on acquisition and maintenance of state parks and to support restoration of native salmonids and watersheds.

1987: the Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board is created (GWEB).

1998: The Oregon Constitution is amended to set aside 15% of lottery revenues to be spent equally on acquisition and maintenance of state parks and to support restoration of native salmonids and watersheds.

1997: The Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds is placed into statute.

1993 - 1995: Separate from GWEB, the Watershed Health Program is established, where the Oregon Legislature dedicated \$10 million to establish local watershed councils.

1999 : The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) is created as a new state agency to administer the watershed restoration and protection funds made available by Measure 66, and further refined the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds.

History of Watershed Councils

Since 1997, OWEB has invested about \$168 million resulting in 2700 jobs and \$400 million in total economic activity.

For each \$1 OWEB spent, an additional \$1.48 is invested by state and federal programs, philanthropic organizations, private landowners and other.

Oregon Watershed Councils

**North Coast
Watershed Association**

- *a. Ecola Creek WC
*b. Nicolai-Wickiup WC
*c. Skipanon WC
*d. Youngs Bay WC

- e. Columbia Slough WC
f. Greater Oregon City WC
g. Johnson Creek WC
*h. Lake Oswego WC
*i. N. Clackamas Urban WC
*j. Tryon Creek WC

**Salem Keizer Area
Watershed Councils**

- *k. Claggett Creek WC
*l. Pringle Creek WC
*m. Mill Creek WC

- *n. Spring Valley WC
*o. Rickreall WC
*p. Glenn-Gibson WC

****The MidCoast Watersheds Council is also locally recognized in the Alsea Basin.**

**South
Coast
Watersheds
Council**

is also locally recognized for the Cheloo Basin.

Wasco County
Watershed Councils

- *Bakeoven WC
- *Fifteenmile WC
- *Mosier WC
- *The Dalles WC
- *White River WC



* Indicates locally recognized watershed councils that have never received their own individual Council Support Grant and are not eligible for a Council Capacity Grant.

For Purposes of OAR 695-040-0030(2)(a)
Geographic Eligibility Criteria: Boundaries of
Councils which received a Watershed Council
Support Grant Before July 1, 2013.

Area with no watershed council



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WHY?!

- Non-profit, **NON-REGULATORY**, community/volunteer driven
- Watershed councils are required to represent the interests in the basin and be **BALANCED** in their makeup.
- Watershed councils offer local residents the opportunity to **INDEPENDENTLY EVALUATE** watershed conditions and **IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES** to restore or enhance the conditions.
- Through the councils, **PARTNERSHIPS** between residents, local, state and federal agency staff and other groups can be developed. Through these partnerships and the resulting integration and **COORDINATION** of local efforts, the state's watersheds can be protected and enhanced.

Examples of partnerships

- Watershed councils work with a variety of partners to accomplish a variety of projects.
- Fish Passage
 - Inventories: Salmon [SuperHWY](#), Lower Nehalem Assessment
 - Removal & Replacement
- Road Decommissions/Obliteration
- Fish screening on water in-take
- Riparian plantings (future large wood recruitment)
- Large wood placement
- Invasive plant monitoring and removal
- Education and outreach

Tools available

- Permit help (Army Corp, ODFW, ODF, County, City, etc.)
- Partnerships with other agencies/resources (specialists)
- GRANTS! = the ability to leverage funds
 - State and Federal Grants available to non-profits
 - ODFW R&E
 - OWEB Small Grants
 - US Fish & Wildlife
 - Programatic funds
 - DEQ Supplemental Environmental Program
 - Other foundations
 - Oregon Community Foundation
 - Trout Unlimited
 - Oregon Wildlife Heritage Foundation
 - Etc...

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Lower Columbia River Watershed Council	Margaret Magruder	12589 Hwy 30 Clatskanie, OR 97016	(503) 728-9015	magruder@clatskanie.com	http://www.columbiaswc.com/about/watershed-councils/lcrwc/
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