Survey from Columbia Grange 267 Legislative Committee

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46 responses

HOW IMPORTANT is the safety and adequacy of water to our community? Add comments or questions:

46 responses

Summary

Question

Individual

91.3% Extremely Important
Very
Somewhat
Not so much
Not at all important

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Add comments or questions here.

11 responses

We have a farm, also worried about fire

We don't live in the CWD and have our own private water source.

Without water, our property values are zero.

Water is very important as we have agricultural water needs and of course safe secure drinking water.

Our water supply has been under attack for decades, due to irresponsible water board decisions and pressure from logging interests.

We need real leadership in our water district.

Maintain forest cover to help provide adequate stream flows of clear cold water.

Where do we find water maps to understand what water is even here and what impacts/could impact it? I want to be more knowledgeable.

HOW FAMILIAR are you with our community's water supply - where it comes from, how it is stored and distributed, issues facing the Corbett Water District?

45 responses

- Extremely Familiar: 51.1%
- Very: 15.6%
- Somewhat: 13.3%
- Not so much: 11.1%
- Not at all familiar: 8.9%
Add comments or questions here.

4 responses

Husband is on committee

Protecting watersheds and water system intakes is an important state legislative issue. There are also important management and governance issues at the local water district. Perhaps the committee should be empowered to educate and get involved at this level. (Remember that the Grange had a key role in setting up the water district years ago.)

Pls offer education on it. Thx!

I was disappointed the Water District chose to sink a trial well a) in a spot geologists did not recommend and b) was on property of a board member without a solid, written agreement on future use/access. And I've heard that not all board members actually live in the district, as required to serve, but do own property. And how long has the district been working without a manager? It seems like there are a few issues to be addressed in this vital service!

HOW CONCERNED are you about the risk of wild fires in our community?

46 responses

- A great deal concerned: 39.1%
- A lot: 15.2%
- A moderate amount: 45.7%
- A little: 15.2%
- Not at all concerned: 15.2%
Add comments or questions here.

4 responses

We were close a few years ago. It can happen and is scary

Summer has become a time of nervousness instead of FUN!

Provide forest fuels reduction instead of clear cutting. Increase outdoor summer fire restrictions and fan all fireworks.

I may not know enough to gauge this accurately! I was here for the 2017 fire, but that feels like it was the product of a 'perfect storm' of events. But I certainly know many of our neighbors do not have defensible space around their homes, driveways that cannot be used by fire equipment, etc.

HOW FAMILIAR are you with our community's fire mitigation and safety resources and preparedness?

45 responses

Add comments or questions here.

3 responses

Need to have more emergency prep classes

Provide more information about resorces.

Family member attending meeting this week with Corbett Fire
Our Legislative Committee is planning educational Forums for Grange and Community members on Fire and Water and related topics that influence and impact adequate and safe drinking water as well as Fire mitigation and safety. Do you have resources (videos, speakers, materials) related to these topics?

45 responses

If YES or MAYBE, please share them with us or provide your contact information and we'll follow up.

7 responses

I am a water resource engineer. My name is David Gorman, Contact information: email= dgorman@hevanet.com. phone= 503-704-6013

Maybe

Watershed

call me- Angie Kimpo 503-544-5633

No, but thank you!!

I am a volunteer with Corbett fire. Jzimmerstucky@gmail.com

I have access to academics
Do you track local, state of federal legislation related to Fire and Water issues?

45 responses

- Yes: 82.2%
- No: 17.8%

If YES, please provide us with your legislative resources or contacts.

7 responses

- e-mail updates via John Christhensen
- OPB, KOIN, The Oregonian, The Gresham Outlook
- Lots
- Somewhat
- through my work - Portland Water Bureau and through Forest Service liaisons for the Bull Run
- Just found a new one, Legiscan
- Newsletters of local and adjacent state legislators
Do you have ideas or proposals for our Legislative Committee to involve and engage our members and the broader community in education and legislation related to Fire and Water in our community?

45 responses

If YES, please share them with us or provide your contact information and we'll follow up.

6 responses

- Film series followed by discussion. Example: “Once Was Water” (Bullfrog Films). Provide opportunities to help people understand the legislative process and provide easy ways to engage (provide links, sample letters).
- We need to know information BEFORE decisions have been made. Information needs to be succinct and short and address how each item would impact the community.
- stage seminars and workshops at the Grange to explain current management practices
- Host nonpartisan get out the vote activities
- It would be great if we could push information out to people - maybe through facebook groups, emails, signs at post office?
- tours of our water resources
- educational talks
- ways that we can make a change as individuals
If you are tracking specific legislation on any topic in this Oregon Legislative Session, please share the bill name and number, and your view of it whether for or against and your reasoning. 

4 responses 

Pesticide poisoning, help for pollinators

SB 1589: I testified in opposition to this bill because it was based on opinions and not science, and the science disagreed with the opinions.

I had a proposal in to the special session in 2022. This year’s legislative session is over

Hb4097 would create a $1000 tax credit for volunteer fire fighters throughout Oregon. Volunteer firefighters are critical to local emergency response and large scale wildfire response throughout the state. This bill is in house revenue committee now. It’s important to support volunteer firefighters with this bill — it’s not a lot but it covers some of the expenses incurred as a volunteer firefighter.

Would you or someone you know like to be involved in our Committee's work as a committee member or expert resource? If Yes or if you would like more information on our committee’s work, please provide name(s) and contact information.

11 responses

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Expert resource: wa…
Sorry, no. But an ea…
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