

Public Review Process Update

Tualatin Basin Water Supply Project Draft PR/EIS

January – December 2006

During 2006, project staff continued to coordinate the analysis of impacts and possible mitigation for the Draft Planning Report/Environmental Impact Statement (PR/EIS) in cooperation with the US Bureau of Reclamation (RECLAMATION). As analysis was completed, staff presented updates to key stakeholder groups.

Highlights of public involvement include:

Staff conducted several presentations for key stakeholder groups to share preliminary results of impact analysis including water quality, hydrology, fish habitat and property impacts. These groups included TRWC, CWAC, WMG and the Policy Steering Committee.

During the summer and fall, staff from the project and RECLAMATION conducted meetings with 13 of the 16 potentially impacted property owners at Hagg Lake. Staff presented updated maps showing possible park boundary expansion and potential land impacts with the two alternative actions (25' dam raise and 40' dam raise). A community meeting was held for all Hagg Lake property owners to review potential land, recreation and wildlife/wetlands impacts.

Project staff conducted an all-day workshop with RECLAMATION's recreation planners to review recreation impacts and potential mitigation.

Staff had multiple meetings, tours and one-on-one conversations with natural resource agency staff concerning fish habitat modeling, impacts and potential mitigation.

Targetted outreach was conducted to inform the Spanish-speaking community about the project. This included translation of project material into Spanish and distribution at community events, to Hispanic community organizations and to libraries throughout the Tualatin Basin. Bilingual information is available on the project website as well.

The project website was updated with meeting notices and other project material.

2006 Listing of Presentations/Updates

January 25	American Society of Civil Engineers/Environmental & Water Resources Group	Tom V/Jeanna
Feb 15	Water Managers Group (hydrology/water quality)	Tom V/Jeanna

March 14	Washington County CPO #8 (North Plains)	Tom V
March 28	Natural resource agencies (modeling discussion)	MaryLouis Keefe/ Jeanna
April 26	Natural resource agencies (hydrol, water q.)	Project team
May 17	Water Managers Group (updated hydrol, wildlife)	Tom V
June 7	Tualatin River Watershed Council (hydrol. water q)	Tom V/Jeanna
June 7	Regional Water Provider's Consortium	Kevin Hanway
June 21	CWAC	Tom V/Jeanna
Aug 2	Tualatin River Watershed Council (hydrol/wq)	Tom/Jeanna/Stuart R
Aug-Oct	Hagg Lake property owner meetings	Tom/Jeanna/Kraig H
Aug 23	CWAC tour of Hagg Lake	Project staff
Sept 7	Recreation impacts workshop	Project team/Reclamation
Sept. 20	Water Managers Group (fish hab, land)	Project staff
Sept. 28	Bass & Pan Fishing Group	Tom/Jeanna
Oct 19	Hagg Lake neighbors community meeting	Tom/Jeanna/Kraig H
Oct 30	Policy Steering Committee	Project staff
Nov 2	Tualatin Riverkeepers Citizen Action Committee	Tom V/JC
Nov 9	Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering (AACE)	Tom V

Exhibits/display tables

April 18-20	Intel Earth Week display	CWS staff
April 19	Hillsboro 2020 (Spanish material)	CWS staff

2006 Related Newspaper Articles and Broadcast coverage

Feb 1	Forest Grove News-Times	"County to seek water supply"
Feb 8	Westside Economic Alliance	"State of the County—Tourism, Water supply....priorities in 2006"

Feb	CPO #4 newsletter	“Water Supply Project studies two alternatives”
March 2	The Oregonian	“Rising water”