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WATER RESOURCES
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State Supported Regional Water Planning and Management Workgroup HB 5006 (2021)

*Informational Report to the House Committee on Agriculture,
Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water*

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Goal: Develop a framework for state-supported water planning and management at the water region and/or basin level



Workgroup Membership

Conservation groups

Agricultural water users

Environmental justice organizations

Non-Agricultural Business/Industry

Regional Planning Perspectives

Tribal interests

State agencies

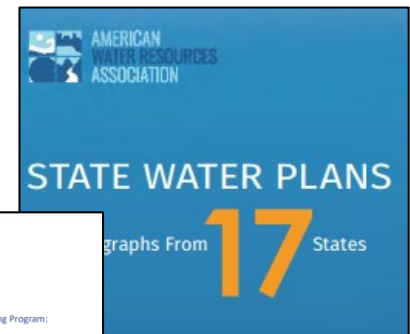
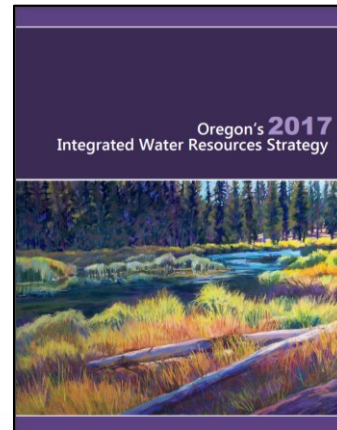
Governor's Office

Municipal, Local and County Governments, and Special Districts



Narrowing the Workgroup Scope

- Shared learning to gain better understanding of collaborative planning
- Scope narrowed to Place-Based Integrate Water Resources Planning

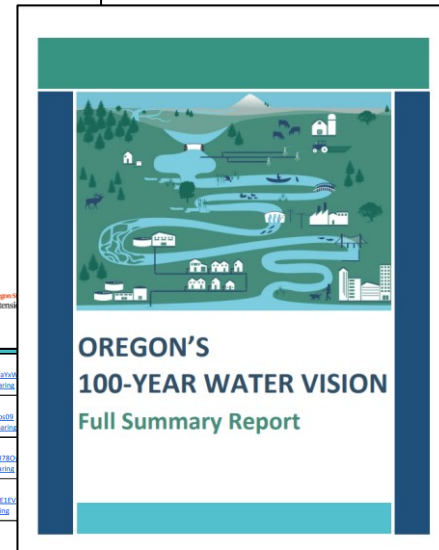


Based Integrated Water Resources Planning Program:
A Participatory Evaluation

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Resource Compilation (As of 6-16-22): This resource comp members and members of the public, but is not necessarily in collaboration, public engagement, and transparency. We determine if/how to engage with these resources.

Resource	Date	State	Notes
Oregon Water Resources Commission Work Session, March 11, 1993: Reports regarding Basin Plans and Programs, including reflections on past planning and recommendations for future planning	Informational Report on Postponing the Proposed Basin Program Revision Process	1993 (March)	OR
Oregon Water Resources Commission Work Session, April 30, 1993: Reports regarding Basin Plans and Programs, including reflections on past planning and recommendations for future planning	Request for Approval of a Workplan for Resolution of Basin Program Issues	1993 (April)	OR
Final Recommendations to the Oregon Legislative Assembly from the Joint Task Force on Water Supply and Conservation (1999-2003)	In 1999, the 20th Oregon Legislative Assembly enacted Senate Bill 93, creating an eleven-member Joint Task Force on Water Supply and Conservation. The statutory mandate for the Task Force was to, in consultation with the Water Resources Department (WRD), "develop recommendations relating to the process of siting and funding future water supply projects."	2003	OR
State-supported Water Planning in Other States and Countries	Resources about state and regional water planning, including comparative analyses and resources from other states.	n/a	n/a

What is Place-Based Planning?

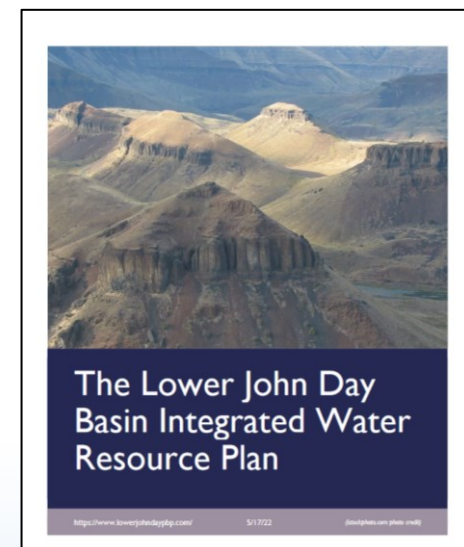
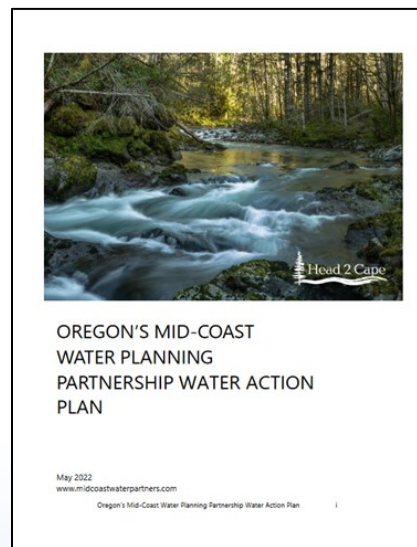
Pilot Program: SB 266 (2015)

- Recommendation of the 2012 IWRS
- 4 planning groups began in 2016
- Legislature invested \$2.4M
- OWRD provided planning guidelines and support, program guidance, data, and technical assistance



Place-Based Planning Status

- State Recognition of 3 Place-Based Plans in 2022
- Independent evaluation conducted by the National Policy and Consensus Center
- Pilot program to sunset July 2023



Workgroup Recommendations

I. Water Planning in Oregon

1 -
Enthusiastic
Support

2 - Support

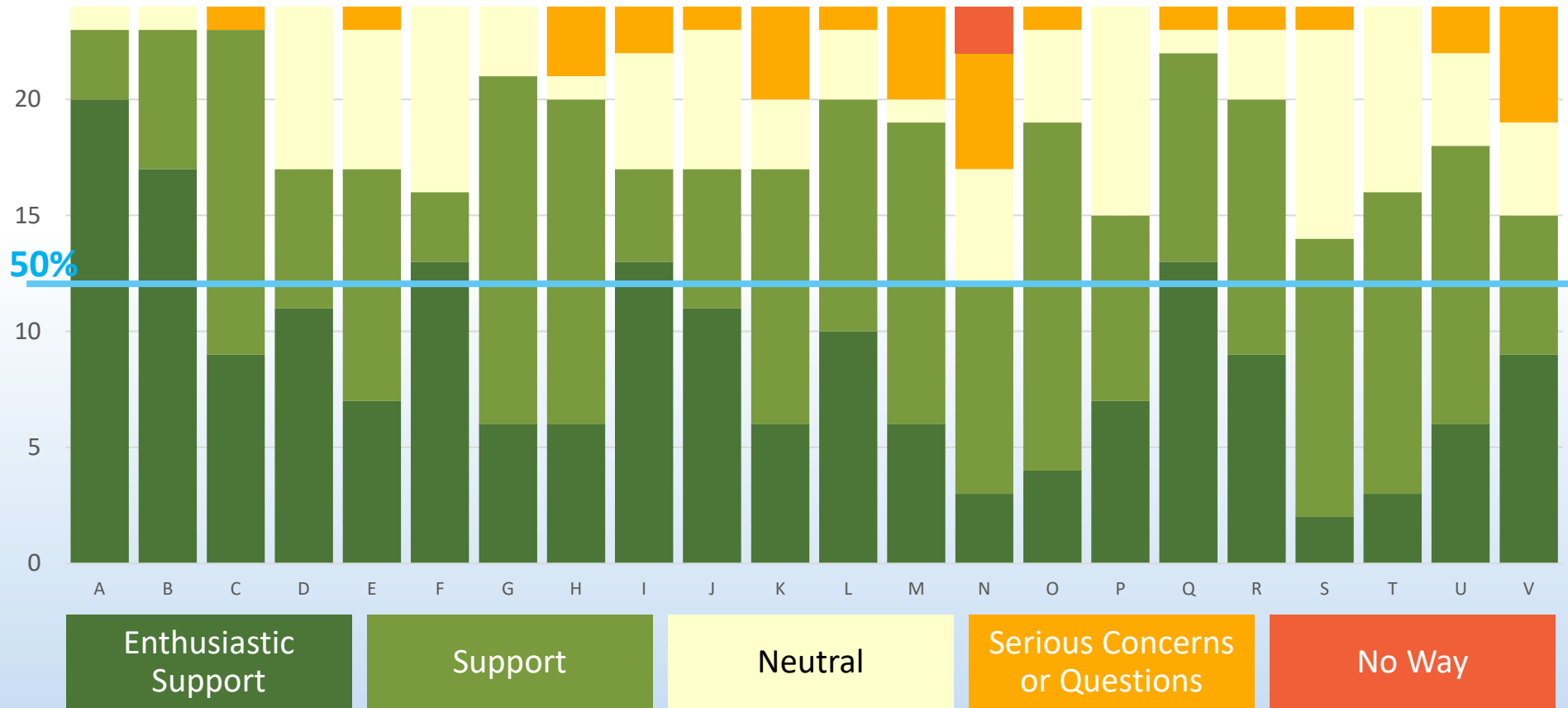
II. The Next Generation of Place Based Planning (PBP)

3 - Neutral

4 - Serious
Concerns or
Questions

5 - No Way

Alignment Check



Workgroup Recommendations

- Goal for today is to provide a high-level summary
- Given number of recommendations will not be able to cover each specific recommendation
- Refer to report for details
 - [Link to Final Report](#)

I. Water Planning in Oregon

System Level Funding Need:

- State agency data collection and analysis
- Agency capacity
- Interagency coordination

Community Engagement Guide

II. PBP: State Recognition

State Recognized Plans:

- Should receive support from an interagency team and funding for implementation coordination
- Be required to submit biennial reports to maintain state recognition
- May be used to identify common themes across basins to help inform updates to the IWRS

II. PBP: Agency Support and Capacity

Fund data inventories to support PBP

Serious Concerns or Questions Raised:

Fund formalized interagency team to support PBP

Fund OWRD regional/basin staff to support PBP

II. PBP: Grant Program

Funding should enable:

- Community engagement
- Plan development
- Facilitation
- Implementation coordination
- Plan updates

II. PBP: Grant Program

Grant Program Should:

- Build upon lessons learned
- Require cost-share
- Include guidelines for group operating protocols
- Foster trust
- Ensure a transparent and collaborative process

II. PBP: Grant Program

Serious Concerns or Questions Raised:

Selection Criteria for Grants

- Readiness
- State priorities
- Prioritization of existing groups

Grant fund and program structure

Conclusion

- **Workgroup Recommendations**
 - System and capacity needs for water planning in Oregon
 - The next generation of Place-Based Planning
- Refer to report for full details
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