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MEMORANDUM

TO: Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources

FROM: Ivan Gall, Director

SUBJECT: Response OWRD 5% Reductions Options Presentation on 11/18

After the November 18, 2025, hearing, the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD) committed to following up on the status of projects that received direct appropriations.

Which general funded direct appropriations is OWRD currently administering and which ones do not have a formal grant agreement in place?

To date, most of the grantees that received a direct appropriation from the legislature during the 2025 legislative session do not have a formal grant agreement in place. The exception is the City of Maupin, which completed emergency repair on its reservoir summer 2025 and was able to provide information to develop the grant agreement. In contrast, all grant agreements for direct appropriations awarded from the 2023 legislative session have been executed, except for the City of Monroe.

It is important to note that OWRD is continuing to work with grantees on developing and executing grant agreements. Just because a project is on the OWRD reductions options list, does not mean that OWRD is slowing progress on any of that work.

More information is available in table 1. Direct appropriations from 2023 where all grant funds have been expended and the grant has been closed out, are not included on this list.

Table 1. Status of general funded direct appropriations currently being administered by OWRD.

Grantee	Year awarded	Status
City of Monroe	2023 (SB 5506)	No grant agreement. Carryforward from 2023-2025 biennium. City provided project information, OWRD currently drafting grant agreement.
City of Sodaville	2023 (SB 5506)	Grant agreement in place. Carryforward from 2023-2025 biennium.
Deschutes River Conservancy	2023 (SB 5506)	Grant agreement in place. Carryforward from 2023-2025 biennium.

Rogue River Valley Irrigation District	2023 (SB 5506)	Grant agreement in place. Carryforward from 2023-2025 biennium.
City of Central Point	2025 (HB 5006)	No grant agreement. City has not yet provided project information.
City of Dayton	2025 (HB 5006)	No grant agreement. City provided project information, OWRD currently drafting grant agreement.
City of Sublimity	2025 (HB 5006)	No grant agreement. City provided project information, OWRD currently drafting grant agreement.
City of Tualatin	2025 (HB 5006)	No grant agreement. City provided project information, OWRD drafted grant agreement and sent to Department of Justice for legal sufficiency review on 11/18/25.
Washington Department of Ecology (WA DOE)	2025 (HB 5006)	No grant agreement. OWRD worked with WA DOE and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation to develop multiple projects in the shared Walla Walla basin for which WA DOE will administer funding from both states. OWRD currently drafting agreement with WA DOE.
City of Maupin	2025 (HB 5006)	Grant agreement in place.