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MEMORANDUM

TO: Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

FROM: Lauri Aunan, Grant Program Manager
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**SUBJECT: Agenda Item F: OWEB Grant Award Recommendations
Region 2, Southwest Oregon
March 16-17, 2010 OWEB Board Meeting**

I. Introduction

This staff report describes the Southwest Oregon Regional Review Team evaluations and staff recommendations for funding.

II. Background and Summary

Applicants submitted 45 applications for a total request of \$4,934,363. One application, 210-2048, for removal of the Gold Ray Dam, was pulled from consideration for this cycle and funded at the January 2010 Board meeting because of the need to provide expedited state funding to supplement federal stimulus funding, which requires the project to be completed this year. The Regional Review Team (RRT) recommended funding for 32 applications. Staff recommend 30 applications for a total award of \$2,696,664: \$1,915,640 for Restoration; \$92,456 for Education/Outreach; \$557,888 for Monitoring; and \$130,680 for Technical Assistance.

III. Regional Review Team Recommendations

The Southwest Oregon Regional Review Team (RRT) met in Roseburg in January 2010 to review the applications received in this grant cycle and make recommendations to OWEB staff. All applications were reviewed for merit and given a “do fund” or “no fund” recommendation by the RRT. The RRT then prioritized the applications recommended for funding.

The RRT recommended 18 Restoration applications; four Education/Outreach applications; seven Monitoring applications; and three Technical Assistance applications.

Staff concur with the RRT-recommended special conditions for three Restoration applications (210-2056, 210-2051, and 210-2070) and two Monitoring applications (210-2043 and 210-2059), as described in the Region 2 evaluations.

The RRT recommended an increased budget to add a year of effectiveness monitoring for the top-ranked Restoration application, 210-2053 (Sucker Creek Channel and Floodplain Restoration). Staff concur with this recommendation.

The RRT recommended, and staff concur with, a minor reduction to the budget for Restoration application 210-2045, as described in the evaluation. Staff also concur with the RRT recommended reduction to Monitoring application 210-2074, as described in the evaluation.

IV. Staff Recommendations

Staff recommend funding 17 Restoration applications; three Education/Outreach applications; seven Monitoring applications; and three Technical Assistance applications.

Staff recommend a budget reduction for Monitoring application 210-2059, as described in the evaluation.

Attachment A shows the proposals, funding amounts, conditions (if any), and priority rankings recommended as “do fund” to OWEB staff by the RRT. The table also indicates, by means of shaded entries, the OWEB staff “do fund” recommendations to the Board. For some “do fund” projects, the amount shown in the table and the conditions may be the staff recommendation rather than the RRT recommendation.

Attachment B shows those applications not recommended for funding at this time by the RRT or by OWEB staff.

Staff recommend the Board approve the staff funding recommendation as contained in Attachment A to this report.

Attachments

- A. Applications Recommended for Funding
- B. Applications Not Recommended for Funding

Region 2 - Southwest Oregon
Restoration Applications Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Staff Recommendations to the Board are Highlighted in Gray

Project #	Project Name	Capital Funds	Non-Capital Funds	Total Amount	Priority
210-2053	Sucker Creek Channel and Floodplain Restoration - Phase 2** EM \$15,000	219,607		219,607	1
210-2061	Morgan Creek Restoration	138,218		138,218	2
210-2076	Sweet Ranch Ag Water Quality and Estuary Rearing Habitat Restoration*	75,171		75,171	3
210-2066	West Fork Millicoma Habitat Improvements and Road Decommission EM \$3,438	200,955		200,955	4
210-2075	South Coast Fish Passage Restoration	148,794		148,794	5
210-2063	Fate and Days Creeks Stream Restoration	77,897		77,897	6
210-2067	Williams River Watershed Habitat Improvement Phase I	147,418	200	147,618	7
210-2081	N Fk Coquille Watershed Restoration Project Phase II	210,658		210,658	8
210-2055	Billy Creek Habitat Improvement	33,295		33,295	9
210-2056	Cox Creek Habitat Improvement^	35,450		35,450	10
210-2080	Coquille Elk Creek 2010 Instream Restoration	188,123		188,123	11
210-2057	Andrews Creek Habitat Improvement	31,663		31,663	12
210-2045	Ashland Creek Ponds Riparian Restoration*	41,759		41,759	13
210-2051	Limpy Creek Stream Restoration^	79,755		79,755	14
210-2073	Coos Watershed Riparian Maintenance Project	71,114		71,114	15
210-2070	North Slough Creek Riparian Restoration Project^	62,058		62,058	16
210-2042	South Tenmile Lake Fish Passage	153,505		153,505	17
210-2041	Swanson Sediment Abatement #2	166,159		166,159	18
Total Restoration Projects Recommended for Funding to Staff by RRT		2,081,599	200	2,081,799	
Total Restoration Projects Recommended for Funding by Staff to Board		\$1,915,440	\$200	1,915,640	

* Listed Amount Reflects Recommended Reduction ** Listed Amount Reflects Recommended Increase ^Fund with Conditions

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Education Applications Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Project #	Project Name	Total Amount	Priority
210-2069	Coos Watershed Stewardship Synergies	39,213	1
210-2044	Nonpoint Source Pollution Education Package	31,243	2
210-2065	Bear Creek Regional Education Project	23,958	3
210-2085	Cultivating Healthy Watersheds Education Project	22,000	4
Total Education Projects Recommended for Funding to Staff by RRT		116,414	
Total Education Projects Recommended for Funding by Staff to Board		92,456	

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Monitoring Applications Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Project #	Project Name	Total Amount	Priority
210-2074	Curry Watersheds Monitoring Program 2010*	97,753	1
210-2060	Umpqua Basin Stream Flow Monitoring Project	68,980	2
210-2071	Coho Life History in Tide Gated Coastal Lowland Streams	169,813	3
210-2059	PUR Umpqua Fish Population Monitoring 2010-2011^*	66,738	4
210-2064	Umpqua Basin Stream Gauge Monitoring	28,710	5
210-2043	Tenmile Lakes Watershed Monitoring 2010-11^	117,275	6
210-2058	Upper South Umpqua Life Cycle Monitoring 2010	8,619	7
Total Monitoring Projects Recommended for Funding to Staff by RRT		557,888	
Total Monitoring Projects Recommended for Funding by Staff to Board		\$557,888	

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Technical Assistance Applications Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Project #	Project Name	Total Amount	Priority
210-2052	White-Deer Creek Habitat and Channel Enhancement Design	34,298	1
210-2072	Upper West Fork Millicoma Baseline Aquatic Inventory Surveys	49,644	2
210-2068	Cedar Creek Road Erosion Surveys	46,738	3
Total Technical Assistance Projects Recommended for Funding to Staff by RRT		130,680	
Total Technical Assistance Projects Recommended for Funding by Staff to Board		\$130,680	

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Monitoring Applications NOT Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Project #	Project Name	Total Amount Requested
210-2054	Ni-les'tun Tidal Wetland Restoration Effectiveness Monitoring	361,401

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Technical Assistance Applications NOT Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Project #	Project Name	Total Amount Requested
210-2049	Veranda Park Restoration Project	10,000
210-2078	North Fork/East Fork Coquille Watershed Restoration Project Development	17,307

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Restoration Applications NOT Recommended for Funding by the RRT
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Project #	Project Name	Total Amount Requested
210-2046	Medford-Cearley Riparian Restoration	155,260
210-2047	Illinois Valley Tree Planting Project	30,380
210-2050	Quartz Creek Restoration III	51,869
210-2062	Hubbard Creek Restoration	99,522
210-2077	Coquille Fish Trap Creek Riparian Fencing 2010	68,875
210-2079	Coquille Catching Creek Creek Riparian Fencing 2010	55,171
210-2082	Lake Creek Riparian Restoration	21,690
210-2083	West Fork Williams Stream Restoration	78,790
210-2084	Applegate Riparian Restoration Program 2010-2011	68,365

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Restoration Applications Pulled and Awarded at January Board
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210-2048	Gold Ray Dam Removal and Restoration		1,000,000
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