Deschutes Basin Water Collaborative

Working Group Meeting Notes

September 27, 2024 | 10:30-12:30 PM | Hybrid

In-Person: Bend Municipal Court Room inside of the City of Bend Police Department
555 NE 15th Street, Bend, OR 97701

Attendees: Jim Powell, Citizen; Becky Powell, League of Women Voters of Deschutes County; Craig Horrell, Jessi Talbot, COID; Jeremy Austin, Fiona Noonan, Central Oregon Land Watch; Kris Knight, Upper Deschutes Watershed Council; Nancy Gilbert, Sierra Club – Juniper Group; Mike Britton, NUID; Owen McMurtrey, COCO; Kimberly Priestley, WaterWatch of Oregon; Gary Young, Blue Mountain Ranch; Lori Faya, City of Bend; Damon Brosnan, NRCS; Shane Cossel, DEQ; Erin Kilcullen, DSWCD; Mike Tripp, Trout Unlimited Deschutes Redband Chapter; Mark Reinecke, Avion Water Company; Larry; Karen Lewotsky, OEC; Carolyn Sufit, Lili Prahl, OWRD; Yancy Lind, Resident; Nina Caldwell, ODA; Bruce Scanlon, OID; Jason, Forest Service; Tommy Cianciolo, Trout Unlimited; Andrea Smith, High Desert Food & Farm Alliance… Rex Barber, Water for Life; Tim Deboodt, Crook County; Lasse Langdahl, University of Copenhagen; Jon Skidmore, COID;

Tri-Chairs:

Staff: Lauren Street, Jenn Greco, Scott Aycock, COIC; Lisa Seales, Kate Fitzpatrick, Alex Ehrens, DRC; Andrew Purkey, AMP Insights; Emelie McKain, OWRD

Draft Notes

10:30-10:40 **1. Welcome & Introductions** *Scott Aycock, COIC*
Scott Aycock opened the meeting up with introductions. Members in person and online introduced themselves.

10:40-10:45 **2. Public Comment**
There were no public comments.

10:45-10:50 **3. May Meeting Recap & Agenda Overview** *Scott Aycock, COIC*

- Recap and Overview ***Attachment A_May Meeting Notes***

Scott Aycock, COIC – We're going to do a quick recap of the last meeting. I was not in attendance of this meeting so I'm reviewing this based on the detailed notes. The plan build process was covered. One of the things discussed was that rather than having votes on each individual chapter we will wait to have a vote at the end. There will be many opportunities for comments and discussion throughout the process. We will wait to vote until we have a final draft of all chapters of the Plan. We also explored the anatomy of a water right led by OWRD. There was a lot of discussion on this, and the next item was around the carry water component of a water right, the volume of it, and details regarding what will or could happen with conserved water. There was an OWRD presentation on current standard recommended water conservation and the Protection

Pathway. Emilie with OWRD discussed the benefits and challenges of the current pathway that they are recommending. Kate with DRC provided an overview presentation regarding the upcoming presentation to the Oregon Water Resources Commission on the DBWC.

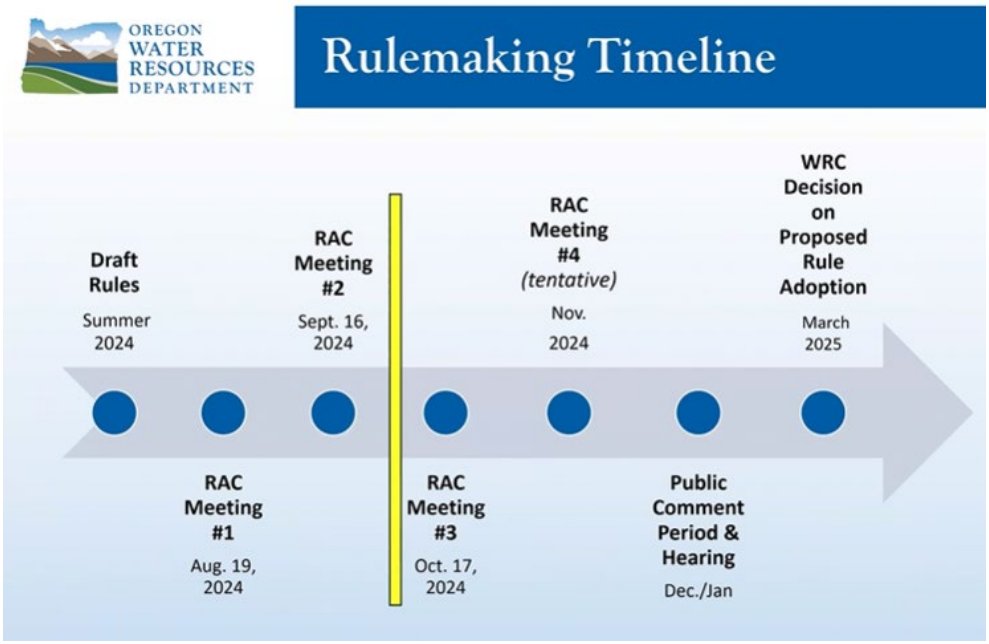
Scott Aycock, COIC – provided an agenda overview for the meeting.

10:50-11:00 **4. OWRD Place-Based Planning Rulemaking** *Emelie McKain, OWRD*

Lili Prahl, Planning Coordinator with OWRD, shared a presentation on OWRD's Place-Based Planning Rulemaking (slides can be seen on the DBWC website).

Lili Prahl, OWRD – I'll just start with a brief history of how we got here. As you all are probably aware, we've been piloting the 2015 draft Place-Based Planning guidelines since 2016 under an authority that sunset in 2023. In anticipation of that sunsetting authority, a lot of work was done to take the lessons learned during the pilot and develop a new, improved and permanent place-based water planning fund. In 2022, an independent evaluation of the pilot was completed by Rebecca Mclean, and some others at PSU, the National Policy Consensus Center and OSU. In that same year a work group focused on State supported regional water planning and management met for a year and developed recommendations. The bulk of which were focused on the future of Place-Based Planning. The recommendations and lessons learned from those efforts were used to develop the permanent Place-Based Water Planning Fund which was passed by the Legislature in June of 2023. The resulting statute is much more detailed than what was in place for the Pilot and is helping direct our work in standing up the Permanent Fund. We've been working on several items to stand up the new fund, including updating the place-based planning guidance, improving our technical assistance process and setting up some proactive technical assistance tools. What I want to share today is about the work we're doing to develop rules for the new fund. Due to the limited duration of the pilot, we didn't have rules for that program. We are developing a brand-new set of rules. Rules are developed by agencies to implement and interpret their statutory authority. To help with the rulemaking we've put together a rules advisory committee or a RAC which is made up of 23 people from across the State who generally have had some experience working on Place-Based Planning. We also have RAC members who have not been as involved in the past but could be impacted by these rules in the future like new agencies that were listed in the Place-Based Planning statute, potential new conveners, or participants in the Planning Collaboratives.

OWRD developed a set of draft rules for the RAC to start with using all of the information and resources that we gathered during the pilot. The RAC is providing feedback on those draft rules and potential fiscal impacts. As OWRD meets with RAC we are considering all of their feedback and making updates to the draft rules accordingly. OWRD has met with the RAC twice already, once in August and once in September. OWRD is planning on meeting at least once, if not twice more before the end of the year. You can find the draft rules on the OWRD meeting webpage or the rulemaking webpage. If people are interested, they can also find all of our meeting notes and meeting recordings and rack materials, and a registration link to attend future RAC meetings as well. If you want to come and observe, it's all virtual, and OWRD always creates space for public comment at the end of the RAC meeting.



This is the OWRD rulemaking timeline shared in the presentation. The yellow line indicates where we are in the process. As seen above, there are two more RAC meetings planned with a November RAC as tentative in case the material is not fully covered in the October meeting. There will be an official public comment period starting in the beginning of December and into January. OWRD will send reminders about the public comment period when in starts. OWRD plans to bring the final rules to the Water Resources Commission in March of 2025 for adoption. Once those rules have been adopted OWRD will start setting up new grant solicitations.

Contact information and links below:

- Lili Prahl (lili.k.prahl@water.oregon.gov)
- PBP Rulemaking Webpage: https://www.oregon.gov/owrd/programs/policylawandrules/OARS/Pages/Place-Based-Water-Planning.aspx
- Next RAC Meeting: Thursday October 17th 12:00 – 3:00

Scott Aycock asked the DBWC members that are also on the RAC if they could give updates along the way. Members confirmed that they can.

Kimberley Priestley, WaterWatch of Oregon – I think Lily mentioned this already, but there will be opportunities for public comment. So, you know, always encourage people who are interested to weigh in there. That would be as individuals, not as the collaborative.

11:00-11:25 **5. DBWC Tri-Chair (Action)** *Scott Aycock, COIC*

- DBBC Nomination: Craig Horrell
- Discussion & Vote

Scott Aycock, COIC – As everyone knows, Steve Johnson left Arnold District early this year. Since that time, we've had the two remaining chairs Bobby Bruno and Commissioner Phil Chang. The additional seat has been unfilled and at the Planning Team meeting have had a few conversations about whether it needed to be filled, etc. During those discissions the Planning Team determined that a seat for the DBBC would make a lot of sense. Given the important role played be the irrigation districts and then implementing the Plan that we are trying to pull together. The DBBC nominated Central Oregon Irrigation District Manager Crail Hurrell to fill Steve's seat. The Planning Team can only recommend things to the Working Group, then the Working Group makes the decisions. The Planning Team had a full consensus, a recommendation from the Planning Team to you and to this body for Crail to be elected to fill that seat.

Scott Aycock, COIC – Before we vote I'm going to go back to the charter and remind the group of the Chair job description. This is a two-year term. If possible, we'd be staggering those terms tso that we're not losing everybody at once. The Chair role is to convene meetings and invite people to the DBWC. The Chairs are empowered to speak on behalf of the DBWC as appropriate and only regarding approved decisions. The Chairs are also a sort of resource for the group on funding and staffing that we do between COIC and DRC to support this group. We ask that they strive to invest in meetings all the participants needs. They are not there as a chair to represent just their interest, but the interest of the full body. The Chair position can help resolve conflicts where staff cannot. They may actually have the ability to play a role there and then very significantly, once we have made agreements, decisions, etc., they help to secure resources, political support, etc.

Craig Horrell, COID – I just want to let everybody know how important the collaborative has been to this Basin. I've been at COID for just over 10 years. I know probably 90% of you at the table for the 10 years I've been working here. Mike Britton and I just went to DC this past week and we talked about the Collaborative constantly and how important it is. We had the opportunity this week to talk about the Collaborative with other States in the room with us when we're talking to Merkley and Wyden, and Bents. They all want to know how they do it. I think everybody that's been here working with us for the past 10 years since I've been here, it's a lot of hard work. It's a lot of input, a lot of time, but I do believe in the Collaborative. It's the only way we're going to move forward. So, I'm happy to take on this role. One thing that Representative Bents asked Mike, and I was what is the biggest positive of your basin? My response was collaboration, and I truly believe in that. I'm happy to do this and move up and move this group forward to implementation. Thank you.

<u>DBWC Working Group Votes: All green</u>

Green: Yancey, Citizen; Jason FS; Jessi Talbot, COID; Kris Knight, Upper Deschutes Watershed Council; Lori Faya, City of Bend; Kate Fitzpatrick, DRC; Rex, Water For Life; Becky Powell, Deschutes County League of Women Voters; Jeremy Austin; Mike Britton, NUID; Audrey Smith, Kimberly Priestly, WaterWatch of Oregon; Owen McMurtrey, COCO; Bruce Scanlon, OID; Mark Reinecke, Avion Water Company; Karen Lewotsky, Oregon Environmental Council; Tommy Cianciolo, Trout Unlimited State Staff; Erin Kilcullen, DSWCD; Mike Tripp, Trout Unlimited Redband Chapter;

Yellow: none

Red: none

Scott Aycock, COIC – All green card votes. Craig we will give you a real job description and all your tasks and duties here after the meeting. Congratulations! You're a tri-chair. We have talked a little about getting the tri-chair meetings going again.

11:25-11:55 **6. Chapter 4 Presentation** *DRC Staff*

- Chapter 4 Overview and Presentation
- Group discussion and Questions & Comments

Alex shared a presentation on Chapter 4. (link to presentation on COIC:DBWC webpage)

Alex Ehrens, DRC – The primary goal of this presentation since you just received this version of the Chapter 4 is to tee it up for you to prepare you for the Working Group review. This starts today and will be due 3 weeks from today. We will be getting less into the content but will be a preview of the content. We will mostly be going over the structure and why we laid it out the way that it is. We will address some of the Planning Team's comments that we think apply and will help folks with the review.

Presentation Outline:

- Plan Build Process
- Planning Step 4 – Purpose
- Planning Step 4 – Structure
- General Comments
- The Menu
- Strategy Survey

Staff and DBWC members are now on Step 4: Develop Integrated Solutions to the current and future water demands in the Deschutes Basin. Those that we had set up in the previous Chapter, which have already been reviewed several times and setting up the next Chapter, Step 5, which is the implementation strategy. This is where the rubber hits the road and where the Plan gets down to what it is going to do to meet the needs, and what we can find agreement on. For now, in Step 4 we're listing all of the possible strategies that we might think of using in the next step. An update on how we got here in the process. Staff drafted up some narrative around Chapter 4 strategies and a lot of that was from previous information that had been developed for the tools that we have been around longer such as piping and on-farm efficiency markets, and things that staff workshopped with the Planning Team and the Working Group. This draft went out for review from our agency representatives, and staff received their comments and incorporated those into a subsequent draft that was then presented to the Planning Team a few months ago. It was discussed that for now staff will include any possible Plan, or any possible tool in this Chapter. No consensus has been made on the list of tools listed in this Chapter. In the next step staff can then choose from the list what the group actually wants to implement, and this will be a consensus-based process.

Scott Aycock, COIC – I'll just add, saying that you agree with Chapter 4 does not mean you agree with any of the specific ideas within the list. The question is, what is the universe of ideas that are on the table.

Alex Ehrens, DRC – After we had this brainstorm session, where we added a lot of tools and anything people could think of to add, then we wrote that out in narrative format like staff did for previous tools that we already had. The document ended up being 45 pages and extremely difficult to get through even for staff members. Staff decided to condense it a bit into a version that you see here today. This version is organized into bullet points trying to be simple and concise and get the relevant information in front of the Working Group. From this you can make informed decisions on implementation and inform the discussions that will be happening around implementation in Chapter 5. Today marks the start of the clock for the Working Group review which will be due 3 weeks from today on the 18th of October. Staff also sent a list to the Working Group members as well from the brainstorming session for the tools. Anyone in the Planning Team and the Working Group had an opportunity to add to the list. Just to go over the purpose of this Chapter again.

- Create a digestible "menu" of **ALL** possible tools/strategies to meet water demands
- Provide **clear, concise** information in each possible tool to inform decision-making on which tools to implement
    - Chapter 5 process – select and integrate tools based on DBWC consensus
- No consensus sought for inclusion of tools/strategies in Chapter 4
- No consensus sought for inclusion of issues related to each tool in Chapter 4

Kimberley Priestley, WaterWatch of Oregon – Just for the benefit of the whole group. Following up on your point about issues where you got comments back where people disagree with some of the issues that were raised. I just want confirmation that if people have concerns with some of the issues that they can put in "I have an issue with the issue" so that everyone's thoughts are captured.

Lisa Seales, DRC – I want to just bring up that what is listed in the Chapter as "issues" is staffs attempt to essentially take what have been called "parking lot issues", "bike rack issues", "issues for further considerations", "challenges", "obstacles". I mean, we've used all these terms throughout this many years of this process and we did our absolute best to condense all that information and attach them to specific tools. We understand that different groups have different opinions about specific issues. I think we're going to get into and maybe even give you an example of that. Just like the strategies and the tools don't represent consensus. We also acknowledge that the issues don't represent consensus. One person might think something's an issue, and somebody else might think that that's an amazing opportunity. We realize that makes it a little bit challenging, but again heavily caveated, that this is the menu of all the possible options, and the potential challenges or obstacles or issues for further consideration that are out there for us to think about as we start deciding which tools to implement.

Alex Ehrens, DRC – I will also say that any of those concerns that have been noted on issues will be documented in this comment log which we've done for planning team comments already. We will do that for these working group comments as well. It will be documented there also in the strategy survey spreadsheet that that was sent out. That's another opportunity to add any potential

comments you might have, noting concerns with issues as well. We'll make sure that those are represented and listed and then that will be a big part of the discussion that goes on around Chapter 5 once we get into the consensus seeking.

Chapter Structure:

- Organized into three categories based on legs of stool
  - Irrigation (4.1)
  - Municipal/Quasi-Municipal and Domestic (4.2)
  - Environmental (4.3)
- "Strategies" = higher-level approaches/concepts, contain suites of potential tools (4.x.x)
  - Ex: Market-Based Approaches
- "Tools" = potential actions that could be used within each strategy (4.x.x.x)
  - Ex: Instream Leasing and Temporary Transfers

Example Outline:

- **4.1 Irrigation**
  - 4.1.1 Agricultural Water Conservation
    - 4.1.1.1 District Canal and Lateral Piping
    - 4.1.1.2 Private Lateral Piping
    - 4.1.1.3 On-Farm Efficiency Improvements
    - 4.1.1.4 Monitoring, Measurement, and Reporting
  - 4.1.2 Market-Based Approaches
    - 4.1.2.1 Instream Leases and Temporary Transfers
    - 4.1.2.2 Voluntary Duty Reductions, etc…
  - 4.1.3 Enhanced Storage, etc…
- **4.2 Municipal/Quasi-Municipal and Domestic**
  - 4.2.1 Municipal Water Conservation, etc…

- For each tool, information is organized under three sub-headers:
  - Opportunity
  - Potential Beneficiaries
  - Issues
- Not all sub-headers are available for every tool
  - More information is available for the more fully developed tools currently in use

Alex Ehrens, DRC - Not all of the information that's under these three sub headers is available for every tool. Obviously, some tools are more developed than others. The ones that have been in use

already in the Basin have more information than those that are still sort of conceptual and might need further development. So just noting these sub-headers might not be present for every single tool, but where that information was available, this is how that was organized.

Section Example:

4.1.1.3 On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Projects

Opportunity

- On-farm water application system upgrades include activities such as converting from flood irrigation to sprinklers and improving efficiencies through other technology.
- The BSWG estimated in 2019 that approximately 65,000 AF could be saved annually through on-farm infrastructure improvements at an average cost of $9,700/AF.
    - It was also estimated that about half this amount of water, 30,000 AF/year, could be saved from the most cost-effective on-farm projects at an average cost of $4,000 per AF.

Potential Beneficiaries

- Improved district and patron water supply reliability.
- North Unit Irrigation District/Upper Deschutes winter flows and associated riparian and wetland habitat restoration.
- Middle Deschutes summer flows and associated water quality benefits.

Issues

- Landowners may be primarily interested in increasing their own water supply reliability.
- Unclear path to mobilize on-farm water savings for other needs.
- District willingness to reduce deliveries based on reduced needs in private systems.
- Most districts have conserved water policies that only allow for district-owned conserved water projects (barrier if using Allocation of Conserved Water Statute).
- Many funding sources require public benefit (i.e., water protected instream).
- Clarity needed on whether districts have the legal authority to require or implement upgrades to private systems.

General Comments:

- Tool Repetition
- Issues
- Policies

Kimberley Priestley, WaterWatch of Oregon – I just want to note that I do think some tool repetition is warranted. I'm thinking of the in-stream portion specifically. Right now, in-stream transferers, leases, etc., are all under market-based approaches and as you said, potential beneficiaries could be farmers, cities, in-stream. I think there are a subset of those types of tools like in-stream transfers that aren't necessarily tied to market mechanisms and are critically important to in stream. I just wanted to put that out there. Food for thought for the group as they're looking through this document.

Alex Ehrens, DRC – Just for clarification, you mean we would have maybe a dedicated strategy or maybe a tool of sort of in-stream flow restoration?

Kimberley Priestley, WaterWatch of Oregon – Yeah, by the time you get down to environmental I think it's a little sparse. Missing some of those key tools that really can lead to permanent water and in-stream. I'll supply comments. I just wanted to say that for the benefit of the group and for other folks who might be looking at that.

Kate Fitzpatrick, DRC – Along those lines, I think we struggled because the way we ended up organizing it was, where does the mechanism go, and which sector is responsible for the action. So, most of the in-stream stuff is in the agriculture section because it's not the outcome piece. It was a little hard to figure out how to organize it. That's why the in-stream or the environmental section are other things other than agriculture-based transactions. If you have comments, we can consider them for sure.

Lisa Seales, DRC – Kate, I want to underscore that. We went back and forth and back and forth about how to organize the Chapter. And at the end of the day, because we talk about the three legs of the stool. That's kind of how we ended up with the three legs of the stool. But very specifically, we're thinking about it in terms of again, actors like who would need to take the action, which leg of the stool would need to take, the action to generate the outcome, and the outcomes are more related to those potential beneficiaries. Which is why they're listed throughout the document. Kimberly, to your point about transfers and leases, we are leasing and transferring water from agricultural lands to restore flows, which is why the leases and transfers are showing up in that market-based section under agriculture. But we certainly can and should note, I suppose later in the document, when we talk about in-stream flow protection, that the path to restoration lies in those mechanisms. We're trying really hard to go with actors.

Kimberley Priestley, WaterWatch of Oregon – It helps if we have the reference later on. The reason I'm thinking about this is because everyone here at this table understands this. The people outside of this group, state agencies, legislators. We just want to make sure that if they don't want to read the whole thing and they want to jump to in -stream, we want them to know in-stream transfers are part of the list. Your suggestions work as long as we mention it, we don't have to spell it out completely.

Lori Faya, City of Bend - This just makes me think that that maybe something to add, maybe to the end of this chapter, might be a table that lists, all the different tools and the primary responsibility, and then the other beneficiaries, or something like that. I think it might get at some of this. I like tables.

Alex Ehrens, DRC – That's a great idea.

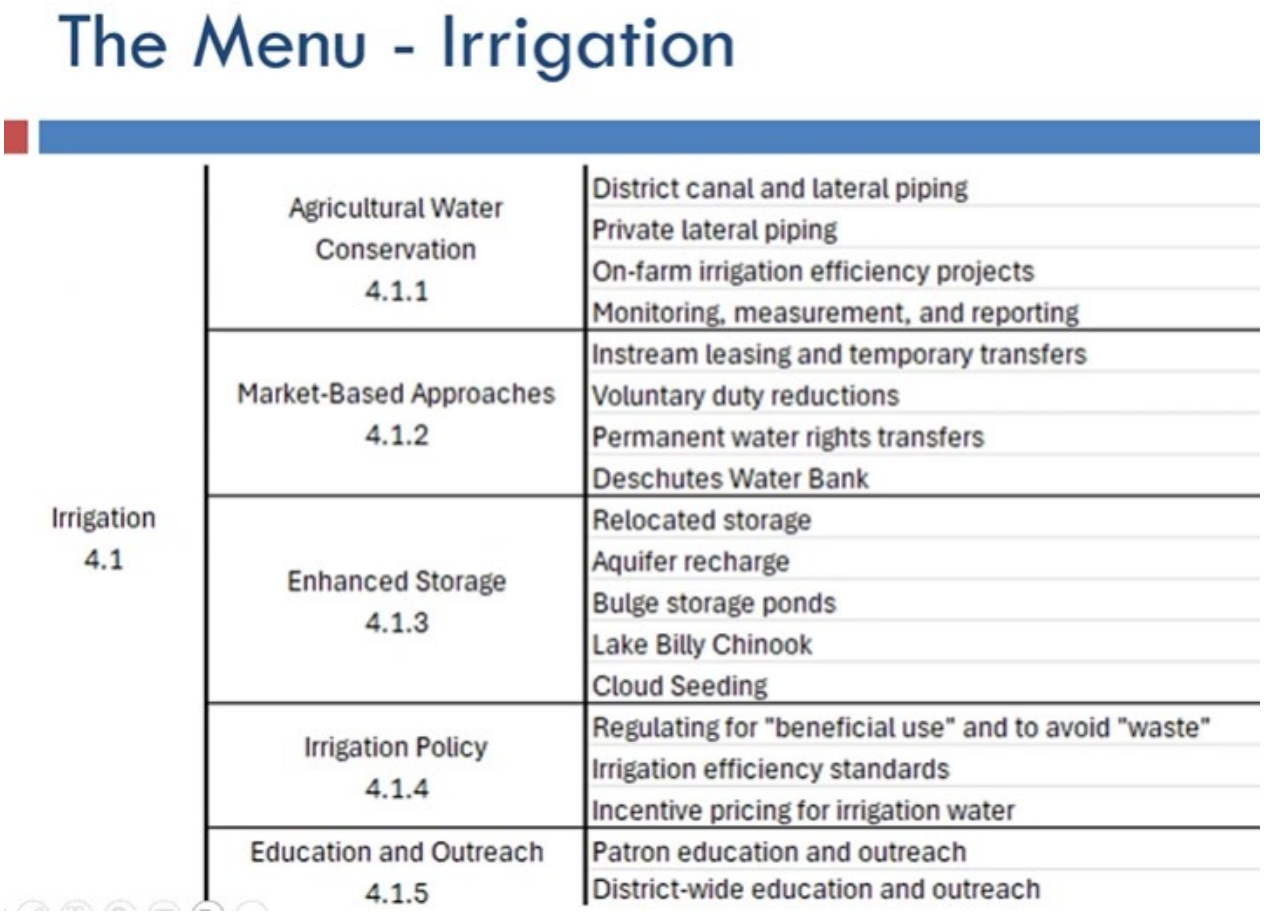
Alex completed going through general comments on policies and examples.

Owen McMurty, COCO – I just wanted to say, thanks, Alex, for noting that that issue with the use of the term policy. I think also with the way we've described things as being tools or issues, Lisa, you spoke to the catch all that "issues" is. I think "tools" is also a very imprecise catch all. For example, one of the tools we have for municipalities are water management and conservation plans, and those are really all encompassing of a number of potential different tools or strategies that you could use. A water management conservation plan, it's a policy document that a city develops and

then a city has their own policy making body who can adopt programs that help to advance water conservation initiatives. I feel like the group needs to work a little bit on that term policy just because there are so many different scales of policy making bodies. It feels like the way this document that we use the term policies generally refers to, we would require some kind of action from the State to change the actual legal framework that we're using to accomplish the goals that we have. Maybe that is going too far. The use of the term policies right now is very loose. And I just want to make sure everyone understands that's how it's being used right now as we talk about it.

Alex Ehrens, DRC – Yeah, I think so. It's a little loose because of who the actor might be implementing a policy, and we did try to make it clear who that actor is even within the policy section. If it's even clearer to get any policy removed from that section and put it elsewhere that's not requiring State action, we could do that as well. I think rearranging the municipal section based on your feedback, to move some out and move them into sort of a voluntary conservation sections instead of policy. We will make that consistent.

"Menu" items:



The Menu – Municipal and Domestic

Municipal and Domestic 4.2	Municipal Water Conservation 4.2.1	Waterwise landscaping
		Rebates and incentives for efficient plumbing and irrigation systems
		Codes and standards requiring water efficient landscapes
		Incentive pricing for municipal water
		Landscape and outdoor watering restrictions
	Municipal and Domestic Policies 4.2.2	Municipal efficiency standards
		Domestic exempt wells measurement, reporting, and regulation
		Access to new groundwater rights and mitigation credits
		Enhanced water conservation policy support
	Municipal Infrstructure 4.2.3	Construct treated water storage reservoirs
		Recycled or reclaimed water projects
		Greywater and stormwater
	Education and Outreach 4.2.4	Municipal water customer education and outreach

Lori Faya, City of Bend – I just want to make a comment about how this part of the Chapter is laid out. I realize this section is about domestic use of water, not irrigation, but there's a real difference between municipal and quasi municipal water suppliers, and then the whole thing about exempt and the way it's laid out now. It's kind of combined within each other. I'm worried it gives the impression that those of us who are municipal water suppliers have some level of control over those which we do not. That's just largely about outside of city limits, for instance, if there was some way to just divide it further between the subject section, that would be greatly appreciated.

Owen McMurty, COCO – I just going to suggest that you do have a 4th header for exempt wells or domestic exempt wells. The only reason for that, beyond the municipalities don't have authority, we don't talk about the three legs of the stool. I want to make sure there's awareness that we don't represent that leg of the stool. Beyond that, there's a totally different regulatory scheme. There's one statute for exempt wells, while municipalities are subject to many kinds of regulation and reporting requirements since the 80's. It's a very different world. I also want to make sure that there's no assumption that municipal interests and domestic interests are together as one leg of the stool.

The Menu – Environmental

Environmental 4.3	Watershed & Habitat Restoration 4.3.1	Natural storage
		Channel, riparian, and wetland restoration
		Fish passage barriers/screening
	Water Quality Protection and Restoration 4.3.2	Nonpoint source pollution reduction
		Point source/permitted discharge management
		Source water protection
		Water temperature reduction
	Environmental Policies 4.3.3	Establish minimum flows
		New instream water rights
		Resolve protested instream water rights
		Required survival flows for fish and wildlife
		Public interest/environmental reviews of transfers
	Additional Analyses and Monitoring 4.3.4	Land use planning and development
		Springs and groundwater-dependent ecosystems
		Groundwater monitoring
	Education & Outreach 4.3.5	Coordinated basin-wide education program

Kate Fitzpatrick, DRC – I feel like if Commissioner Chang was here, he might say this. Maybe one omission is that, although we talk about exempt wells, we don't talk about actual water needs of domestic well users outside the city. If we are not going to capture them in the city, we might want to at least acknowledge that those are legitimate water needs beyond what we are calling the three legs of the stool. Which we did in Chapter three. Check.

Lisa Seales, DRC – I'm feeling like we will have a 4.4 section called "other". Coming soon.

DRC Staff shared the survey spreadsheet on the screen. Alex covered the spreadsheet and what each section meant and how to fill it out. Staff asked the Working Group to add notes in the sections that they selected "maybe" on to expand on why. If the Working Group members select "no" please expand on why and what could help you get to a "yes". Alex stated that the purpose of this survey, it isn't a final answer "yes" or "no", "I want this included" or "I don't want this included". This is just an initial temperature check on how the Working Group feels about the tools that are included so far to inform the discussions that the group will eventually have. This document will help staff start to generate some initial ideas to follow up with discussion with the Planning Team, and then on to discussion with the Working Group and everyone. This will be due on October 18th, three weeks from today. The outcomes of this sheet do not have an impact on Chapter 4, only on Chapter 5 implementation. There will be an email sent out to the Working Group with all the information about the survey spreadsheet and further instructions.

12:25-12:30 **7. Roundtable Updates & Sharing** *Group*

Scott Aycock read from Erin Kilcullen, DSWCD – The Deschutes Soil & Water Conservation District's board of directors voted to move forward to refer a measure to the ballot for permanent tax rate

limit authorization the voters for the November 5th election. If passed the maximum amount the district could levy is 6 cents per $1,000 of assessed property value. Scott will pass the flyers around and forward it along to the group.

12:30 **ADJOURN**