

## Virtual LUBGWMA Committee Meeting

011/06/2020

9:00am to 11:00am

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### Agenda:

9:00am – Call to order, review & approve last meeting minutes from 1/30/2020

9:10am – JR Cook and Greg Harris; *Steps to further understand hydrogeological connectivity in the LUB.*

9:40am – Todd Jarvis; Institute for Water and Watersheds at OSU; *Lower Umatilla Basin Groundwater Management Area (LUBGWMA) Designation and the Technical Impracticability Waiver.*

10:10am – Amin Nouri; *Understanding soil physical properties to expand re-used water for irrigation.*

10:30am – Kyle Waggoner and Rachel Nash; *Update on the NFWF CPP Soil Health Grant in the LUB.*

10:50am – Janet Greenup; *Updates from Morrow SWCD on 2<sup>nd</sup> action plan draft.*

11:00pm – Adjourn

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LOWER UMATILLA BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA  
LUBGWMA  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 30, 2020

ATTENDANCE:

Miff Devin	Port of Morrow
Scott Lukas	OSU HAREC
JR Cook	NOWA
Stephanie Case	Morrow County Planning
Janet Greenup	Morrow SWCD
Kyle Waggoner	Umatilla Co. SWCD
Tom Demianew	ODA
Charles Kennedy	ODEQ
Aaron Madison	Madison Ranches Inc
Bob Waldher	Umatilla Co. Planning
Rachel Nash	Umatilla Co. SWCD
Kate Ely	CTUIR
Kevin Coughlin	ODA
Nancy Brunner	On conference line
Wym Mathews	ODA on conference line

Called to order. After introductions the minutes of the October 22, 2019 meeting were approved with a motion by Aaron Madison, seconded by Charles Kennedy.

The second Action Plan was made available to the committee by email and ODEQ website. Charles asked for approval of the draft by the committee in order to publish a public notice in a newspaper of local circulation and one of statewide circulation and begin the required 60 day public review and comment period. Public comments received will be posted on the website and will be included in the plan document. A motion by Janet Greenup, seconded by Charles Kennedy passed unanimously to approve the second local action plan and begin the 60 day public comment period. Morrow SWCD, as lead agency will complete this requirement.

JR Cook, NOWA, briefed the committee on the EPA emergency action petition in the GWMA. Discussion and questions followed.

JR would like to see a study to allow those with groundwater rights to use them to take river water and leave groundwater to study how it reacts.

JR reported on the financial request to the legislature (POP 350) to compare data in the LUB and OWRD that was not funded and request support of Senator Hansel's bill to re-establish the POP. A motion was made by Miff and seconded by Aaron to send a letter of support from LUB for Hansel's bill. Motion passed unanimously.

JR cautioned against using the USGS model because it's a generalized model using broad strokes. The LUB needs to pick specific areas to investigate.

Kyle Waggoner thanked the committee for their quick response for match information for the NFWF grant submitted in December. The grant was funded. Rachel Nash with the Umatilla Co. SWCD will be providing program activities that will include explaining Conservation Implementation Strategies, EQIP & Strategic Implementation Area.

Scott asked Kyle & Rachel to keep us informed.

The next LUB Committee meeting will be April 2, 2020.

Submitted by Janet Greenup