

CBWP-Related Updates- October 2021

October 2021 updates:

RESCHEDULED!!!! Place-Based Planning Participatory Evaluation- Harney Basin Workshop 1

- The first workshop, hosted by Portland State University, will be held on ~~Monday, October 25 from 1:30-3:30pm~~ **Thursday, October 28 from 10am-12pm**. Should your schedule permit, you are strongly encouraged to attend the workshop and provide your valuable insights. Meeting materials and Zoom information can be found below:
 - Meeting materials:
 - [Consent form](#) | *Please read through prior to the meeting*
 - [Agenda](#)
 - [Slideshow](#)
 - Zoom info:
 - <https://pdx.zoom.us/j/84669296058>
 - Meeting ID: 846 6929 6058
 - iPhone one tap mobile
 - +19712471195,,84669296058# US (Portland)

Available Open-File Report

- The full open-file report on Historical Irrigation Water Use and Groundwater Pumpage Estimates in the Harney Bains, Oregon (1991-2018) by Jordan Beamer and Mellony Hoskinson is now available. Click [here](#) to access the report.

September 2021 updates:

Strategy Refinement

- To continue forward progress of the Collaborative, a group of members met several times during August and September to start the process for strategy refinement. All Collaborative members were invited to participate in the strategy refinement meetings. The goal of these meetings was NOT to alter the intent of the strategy, but rather to offer more clarity and minimize redundancy in Collaborative strategies. The result of the meetings is a cleaned-up strategy list that will be discussed at the September and October Full Collaborative meetings. Project staff are aiming to hold a consensus event on the list of strategies during the October meeting.

BoR's WaterSMART Grant

- Project staff (Holly Mondo, Ken Bierly, and Karen Moon) participated in a debrief meeting regarding the CBWP's application for BoR's WaterSMART grant, which they were not awarded. BoR staff shared that the application scored highly, but still lacked the specificity necessary to be selected for the grant. Project staff will deliberate whether another application will be submitted.

August 2021 updates:

DRAFT Available: Groundwater Portion of Integrated Water Plan

- You can access the document [here](#) or on the [CBWP Document Clearinghouse](#) webpage. Please note that the document is an incomplete first draft without the benefit of the

OWRD/USGS groundwater study results. This is a *living* document meaning it will be continuously updated, edited, and refined. It is being circulated now in response to the Collaborative's desire to review the plan as it is being written.

- An optional meeting will be held on Monday, August 16 @ 5pm via Zoom to discuss the draft at length.

Participatory Evaluation re: Place-Based Planning Program

- There is unanimous support from all the planning groups for delaying the workshops. This will allow time to focus on the important work at hand and will hopefully increase participation. It will also allow Rebecca and her team more time to vet and refine the evaluation framework. A revised schedule will be sent soon. The evaluation workshops will likely be held in October/November (pre-Thanksgiving).

Reasonably Stable Conversations

- Jack Southworth (CBWP Facilitator) is in the process of beginning the conversation about what *reasonably stable* means when it pertains to groundwater levels in the Harney Basin. He has reached out to some Collaborative members with questions related to this topic to start compiling perspectives.