

Tualatin Basin Water Supply Project and Title Transfer

Public Review Update

January – December 2008

In spring 2008, Water Supply Project staff initiated communication with stakeholder groups about new data from USGS indicating the possibility of a stronger and longer earthquake in our region than previously thought. This data prompted Reclamation to begin a seismic study at Scoggins Dam. Water Supply Partners also began a parallel Dam Raise appraisal study that would inform them how to use the seismic data for the Water Supply Project.

The following is a summary of the communication and public involvement activities related to the Water Supply Project and Tualatin Basin Title Transfer:

Presentations/meetings

Key Stakeholder Groups

Feb 20	Water Managers Group
March 18	Natural Resources Agencies
April 16	Clean Water Services Advisory Commission
April 10	Policy Steering Committee
May 21	Water Managers Group
Aug 20	Water Managers Group
Sept. 3	Tualatin River Watershed Council
Dec 4	Policy Steering Committee

Community/Agricultural

April 14	Property owners along Raw Water Pipeline route
Oct 9	Highland NAC
Nov 5	Hagg Lake neighbors
Dec 11	TVID patrons (annual meeting)

Hagg Lake Tours

Feb 20	Senator Gordon Smith and local elected officials
Aug 7	US Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
Sept 23/29	TRWC
Oct	Washington County planners
Oct 9	Reclamation staff

Hagg Lake Property acquisition

A property owner at Hagg Lake whose land would be most impacted by a 40-foot dam raise offered to sell their property to the project. The agreement included replacement housing and land of comparable value purchased by the Water Supply Project. Staff worked with a property acquisition firm and the property owner to assist with documents and communication about the process. Project staff coordinated the removal of all buildings from the property after owners vacated. At a meeting of Hagg Lake neighbors, other owners were invited to sign up to request surveys of their land to better understand potential impacts to their property.

Project Public Information: Materials, Website and video

In addition to a newsletter and website updates, the major communication focus was the development of a short video for the general public as well as key stakeholders and policy makers. The video, *Water for the Future*, was completed in December and posted on the project website. An outreach plan for the video includes the following:

- Submit video to Tualatin Valley Community TV for multiple showings over several months
- Articles in CPO newsletters, city newsletters, chamber newsletters, WEA newsletter, billing inserts
- Online promotion through Pipeline story, Clean Water Connection, partners post link on their websites, weekly water newsletter (Brown & Caldwell)
- Offer presentations/copies to all project supporters
- Schedule presentations at service groups (Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary)

Media coverage

<u>Date</u>	<u>Media</u>	<u>Headline</u>
1-3-08	The Oregonian	\$640,000 secured for long-term water
1-3-08	Beaverton Valley Times	Delegation secures \$640,000 for water supply project
1-3-08	Lake Oswego Review	Tigard, Lake Oswego facing big decisions on water pact
1-08	American City & County Magazine	Rainmakers

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2-19-08	OPB.com	Expanding Hagg Lake to meet a growing thirst
2-20-08	News-Times	Sen. Smith visits Hagg Lake
2-22-08	Hillsboro Argus	Gordon Smith visit Hagg Lake
4-17-08 6-3-08	Tigard Times OPB	Tigard's water picture begins to clear Engineers Checking the safety of Scoggins Dam
6-3-08	FG News-Times	Feds to study effect of big quake on Hagg Lake dam
6-3-08	Oregonian	Scoggins Dam to undergo test-drilling for earthquake hazards
7-30-08	FG News Times	Feds drill at Hagg Lake, testing for quake safety
8-1-08	Hillsboro Argus	Seismic sampling begins at Scoggins Dam site
12-12-08	Capital Press	Larger dam means less land, again
Partner and supporter newsletters		
1-08	Clean Water Matters	Congressional Delegation secures funds for water supply project
2-08	TVWD BIG Water News	TVWD Commits to Tualatin Basin Water Supply Project
2-08	Water Words (TVWD and Clean Water Svc)	“ “ “
2-08	TVID newsletter	Update on Tualatin Project Title Transfer
3-08	Hillsboro Chamber	Passionate partners ensure water Advocate supply project moving forward
3-08	WEA Insider News	Senator Smith pledges support for Westside water project

3-08	Clean Water Matters	Senator Smith tours Hagg Lake
3-08	Hillsboro City Views	Raising the Scoggins Dam