

**SOUTH CENTRAL OREGON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ADMINISTRATION PLANNING GRANT
07-83-06051**

**ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT
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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The South Central Oregon Economic Development District, formed in 1999, serves as the primary conduit for regional economic development resources for Klamath and Lake Counties Oregon. It provides the professional staff to support economic development planning on a regional basis and the individual economic development efforts of Lake County and Klamath County. SCOEDD also manages and administers regional grant and loan programs.

The District, an ORS 190, is governed by a 23 member board of directors that includes representation from the counties, cities, and private sector throughout the region. *Attachment 1* is a listing of current board members and their economic representation.

The District appoints a 7-member executive board to directly oversee the staff and finances of the organization. The following Executive Committee members have served during the past fiscal year. Beginning July 1, 2008, SCOEDD will have a new chair will be Dan Shoun, Lake County Commissioner, new vice-chair, Al Switzer, Klamath County Commissioner and new Treasurer Frank Villagrana.

District Executive Board Members:

John Elliot, Chair	Brad Winters, Vice-Chair
Bill Brown, Treasurer	Ray Simms
Jeff Ball	Fred Smith
Frank Villagrana	
LH "Trey" Senn, Ex Officio	Lake County Economic Dev., Ex Officio

SCOEDD has five in-house professional staff members who serve the SCOEDD Board of Directors plus provide administrative support to the South Central Oregon Regional Partnership (SCORP) the South Central Oregon Area Commission of Transportation (SCOACT), Regional Investment Board (RIB), and the Klamath Lake Regional Housing Center (KLRHC).

District staff:

Betty Riley Executive Director	Deanna Wilson Business Development Coordinator
Shilo Spurlock Accounting Specialist	Charles Stover Housing Specialist/Project Coordinator
Christina Ingram Administrative Assistant	

In addition to in-house staff, during the grant year SCOEDD contracted with Andrew Stuedli as projects coordinator for implementing the Department of Energy (DOE) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) grants awarded to SCOEDD to facilitate the establishment of Geothermal Ag Industrial Parks in Klamath and Lake Counties. SCOEDD also had a one-year contract with the Oregon Renewable Energy Center located at Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT) to act as Energy Specialist to Lake and Klamath Counties. This contract expired as of December 31, 2007.

SCOEDD's total revenue for FY2007/2008 was approximately \$620,000. As shown in **Chart 1**, SCOEDD's largest source of funds was from Federal Grants (58%). State Regional Investment funds accounted for 11% of Revenue and Housing Program administration another 13% with the balance of 18% coming from Loan Program administration and contracts/fee for service work.

Chart 1
Source of Revenue
FY 2007/2008

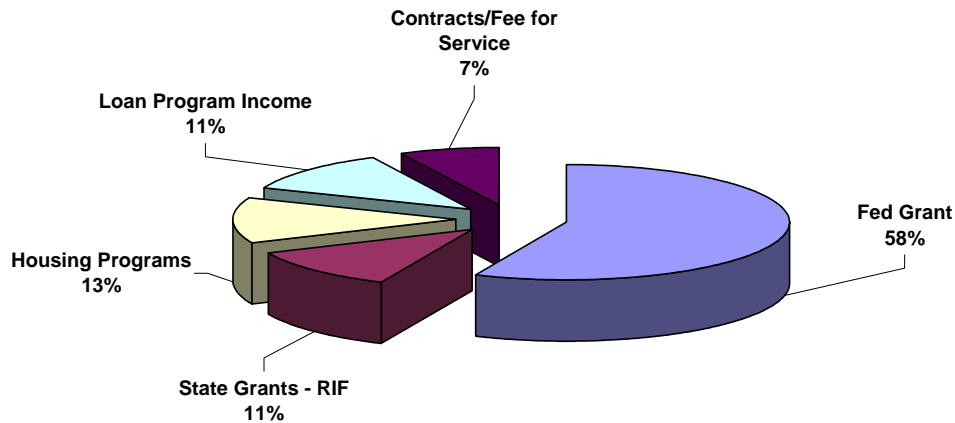
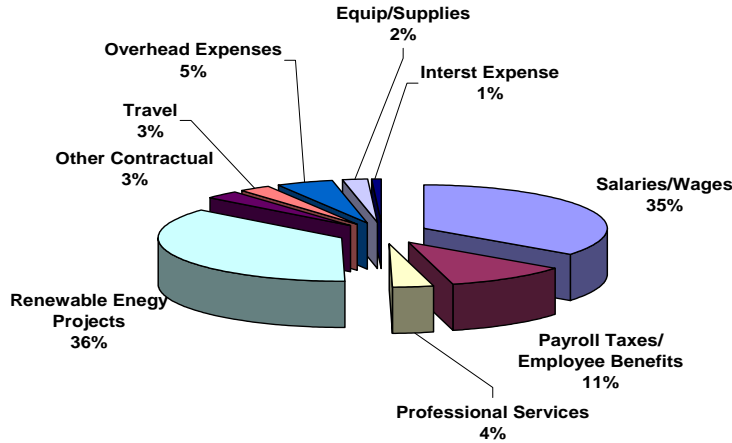


Chart 2 depicts the actual expenses for Fiscal Year 2007/2008 as a percentage of the total. In house Salaries/Wages plus Payroll taxes and benefits is the largest expense at a combined 46%. The second largest portion of funds (\$222,770 or 36%) was spent on Contracts for Renewable Energy Projects including geothermal development at Liskey Farms. Professional Services (4%) includes auditor expenses plus loan program administration costs such as attorney fees and escrow costs. Overhead expenses including rent, telephone and mailing expense plus insurance is just 5% of the total use of funds. Interest Expense is the interest paid on the Intermediary Relending Program (IRP) funds received from USDA – 1.5% over forty years.

Chart 2
Uses of Funds
FY 2007/2008



SCOEDD manages five regional revolving loan funds – EDA, IRP, CDBG, Drought Relief and Regional Investment for a total current portfolio of 21 loans totally \$1,183,339.

PLANNING ACTIVITIES AND THE WORK PROGRAM

The following is a brief synopsis of activities fulfilling the EDA Planning grant scope of work during the grant year.

Facilitate the update to the District Comprehensive Economic Development Strategic (CEDS) planning process and work with individual counties on their economic development strategies and project priorities.

In October 2007, SCOEDD staff completed a new Comprehensive Economic Development (Regional Investment Strategy) which provides a comprehensive overview of the region, its people and economy and addresses the goals and strategies for moving the region forward. The regional goals, strategies and implementation plan were developed with considerable input and discussion from the business community, regional economic development professionals, civic leaders and the regional investment board. It reflects the changes the region has experienced as a result of growth and the strong desire to maintain the quality environment that makes the area a desirable place in which to live and work.

The goals and strategies outlined in this document will guide the region in its overall mission:

To build cooperation and collaboration between private, public and community entities that support planned growth that allows for:

- *An economy with an expanded industrial base*
- *Leadership in alternative, renewable energy development*
- *An educated and well trained workforce*
- *Affordable housing opportunities*

The plan also facilitates the coordination of efforts between the various economic entities in the region. The plan can be viewed at our website www.scoedd.org/Publications.htm .

The following projects identified in the Implementation/Action Plan that have been initiated and/or have funding committed:

Inventory land suitable for industrial development - the City of Klamath Falls has received funding from the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development to create a reliable inventory of the existing commercial and industrial lands base within the UGB and to identify opportunities for continued economic development through preparation of an Economic Opportunities Analysis for the Klamath Falls urbanizable area. This study should be completed by Spring 2009.

Identify and work with business clusters to promote innovation and higher wage jobs – SCOEDD has received funding from the State of Oregon for an Oregon Cluster Partnership Project that will seek to increase the competitiveness of the Green Building Products industry cluster. This is a two year project which will start in July 2008.

Lake County Railroad rail line upgrades – Lake County received \$648,000 through *Connect Oregon II*, the State of Oregon multimodal transportation funding program. This project will provide new rail infrastructure in four key areas to accommodate growing shipping needs while allowing increased speed and handling efficiency. It will also improve economic opportunities and reduce transportation costs in the area.

Development of Klamath Tribes Wood Utilization Business Center Plan – With the Tribe’s acquisition of the Crater Mill site, it can begin the development of an integrated industrial park development. At the core of the development will be a renewable energy facility utilizing both wood and municipal solid waste to generate electricity and other energy products that will serve both co-locating enterprises as well as being sold into the local energy network. Working with its energy partner Community Energy Systems, the Tribe is designing a state-of-the-art biomass gasification facility that will be able to integrate a range of feedstock including woody biomass, municipal solid waste and other high density waste streams. They anticipate that the initial facility will generate up to 10 MWe of electricity and over 50 million btu/hr of heat for use both on the facility and for sale in toe the local energy network. At full build-out the biomass facility will employ 8-10 employees and generate over \$6,000,000 in annual gross revenues. The Tribe has also identified four wood utilization enterprises it intends to develop as the initial co-locating enterprise at the site.

SCOEDD staff is working with the Klamath Tribe on funding proposals to the Oregon Renewable Energy Feasibility Fund and to the US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) to fund a full feasibility analysis and facility specification and design. The purpose of the full feasibility assessment is finance ready documents with which the Tribe and its partners can develop the construction finance package of the biomass facility.

Expand geothermal resource at Liskey Farms - Using Funds from the US Department of Energy and the Natural Resources Conservation Service, SCOEDD hired engineering consultants to design the next phase of the park which includes installation of a re-injection well. In addition to leasing more ground to local entrepreneurs, Liskey has leased property Razer Technologies for the installation of a 10 megawatt geothermal to electric facility.

Complete well testing to provide geothermal heating to Paisley School - With \$17,000 in funding from Oregon’s Renewable Energy Feasibility Fund, the City of Paisley will evaluate the feasibility for heating the Paisley School with the Paisley “City Well”. The “City Well is within a few blocks of the Paisley school and along City road right of ways. An engineering analysis is required to see if this well can be cleaned out to restore the original flow rates and temperature conditions and determine if these conditions are enough to provide all or most of the major Paisley School heating needs.

The scope of the project involves providing well testing and an engineering study to evaluate the energy, infrastructure and cost requirements for the development of the Paisley School geo-thermal heating system. The project will determine what is required

to make the Paisley School project feasible and what specific steps can be taken to accomplish the project in 2008.

Partner with the Business Resource Network to outreach to businesses, including conducting a business retention/expansion survey with existing businesses to access business assistance and labor force needs.

In May 2008 SCOEDD worked with the Business Resource Network and the Oregon Employment Department to circulate a business retention/expansion survey to 1,000 businesses in Klamath and Lake County. Approximated 12% of the survey's were completed and returned. A complete analysis of the information will be completed by mid-August.

Work with the Oregon Solutions process to identify opportunities for the development of the Christmas Valley Backscatter site for renewable energy purposes and help secure funding for monitoring the site to provide site-specific data on energy potential.

SCOEDD's Executive Director and Renewable Energy Specialist have participated in the Renewable Energy Team, a subgroup of the Oregon Solutions, process for development of the Christmas Valley Backscatter site. The team is charged with defining renewable energy options and development while ensuring energy security to the military and minimizing impact to military missions.

Since mid 2007, over 30 federal, state and local representatives have engaged in a process to define the existing infrastructure, military and renewable resource development options, and land transfer options with a goal toward establishing long-term multiple use that will support national defense and renewable energy. What makes this project so exciting is the Oregon National Guard sees the opportunity to use the site for training purposes and potentially developed enough renewable energy to offset their fossil fuel use in the State of Oregon.

Although team efforts may have seemed a bit slow and quiet at times, in less than one year since the start of this project, the team has accomplished a lot. At this point in the project, the following has been accomplished:

- The team has developed great clarity and understanding regarding the real property process and options available.
- Congressional support was provided to assure high level Air Force review of options for Oregon Military use of the site.
- Several land transfer options were explored and one rose to the top as the most viable.
- A process for a real property transfer from the Air Force to the State of Oregon, Military Department, is underway. If successful, the process could be complete within 6 – 9 months.
- Some level of renewable energy development to offset the Military Department's energy consumption at the site is being researched. Specific information about the

site has been shared with and generated interest with a broad group of renewable energy developers.

In June 2008 a Declaration of Cooperation was confirming commitments between various partners in this project. See **Attachment 2** for a copy of this Declaration.

Coordinate activities with Rural Community Assistance Corporation staff and cosponsor workshop in the region on “Accessing Resources for Rural Community Development Projects”.

On September 20, 2007 SCOEDD hosted a workshop “Moving Your Infrastructure Project Forward” designed to provide local communities and special districts the opportunity to network with other communities, to share experiences with projects, and obtain information on the following:

- ✓ The importance of drinking water protection, water quality, and public health
- ✓ Up to date information on source water assessments and resources for protection
- ✓ Responsibilities for sustainable management of water and wastewater systems
- ✓ How best to plan and develop water and wastewater infrastructure projects
- ✓ How to better manage your water or wastewater system like a business
- ✓ Funding programs and resources to help move your project forward

Eighteen participants from throughout the SCOEDD region participated in the day long event. The workshop was sponsored in partnership by Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) Drinking Water Program, Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (OECD), Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) funded by USDA Rural Development (RD), and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Participate in the Making Green Work (MGW) Partnership (that includes OIT and Klamath Community College) to catalyze the creation of a globally-competitive renewable energy industry by providing access to information, products, services, business, and training opportunities.

SCOEDD staff had several meetings with Tom Chester and other community members to discuss partner opportunities with the Oregon Renewable Energy Center at the Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT). OIT has the potential to be the first university in the nation supplied completely by renewable energy. OIT’s Klamath Falls campus is the only known university in the nation heated by geothermal energy and they are pursuing two plans to use geothermal water to generate electricity for the entire campus. When these projects are complete, OIT will become the first “net zero” campus in the nation. OIT has made sustainability a major theme for the institution, one that focuses the broad managerial and technical skills of the faculty and staff to address the single issue of modern times.

SCOEDD is working with OIT in developing a Green Technology Center (GTC) concept that combines an array of services, many of which are already in effect, with a new building, designed to enhance and expand the services. Together, they will promote energy conservation and renewable energy in Oregon by focusing on real-world projects.

Every aspect of the Green Technology Center will promote renewable energy – from local person-by-person efforts in classes, demonstrations, and workshops; to global approaches through applied research, publications, distance learning, and online resources; to a building that in itself demonstrates renewable technology.

Green Tech Center activities will fall into two main categories:

- Education, comprising
 - Renewable Energy Career Pathways
 - Energy Information Services
 - Energy Extension (Technical Services)
- Renewable Energy Incubator, comprising
 - Energy Technology Accelerator
 - Energy Business Accelerator (including OIT's current SBDC and an EDA-funded University Center for Economic Development)

Work with state partners to assess the potential commercial opportunities and challenges in converting or replacing a significant number of Oregon's existing boilers with wood-fueled boilers.

Funding for this project has been obtained by the Oregon Department of Forestry, through a USDA Forest Service grant, and SCOEDD through a USDA Rural Development Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG). To carry out this project Wendall Biomass Consultant's (WBC) have been contracted to provide the following professional services:

- ✓ Analyze state records about existing boilers,
- ✓ Identify key characteristics of existing boilers that might make it economically feasible to convert or retro-fit to wood-fired systems, and
- ✓ List and describe facilities, businesses, and clusters of facilities and businesses, as well as geographic locations, where it appears to make economic sense to convert or retrofit boilers to use woody biomass, or consider installing boilers that use wood in some form in new construction.

Expected short-term outcomes from this project include a report with sufficient depth of analysis to provide specific information and recommendations that will improve the ability of government agencies and other organizations to plan and budget for woody biomass boiler fuel retrofit, conversion and new installation outreach efforts, and improve marketing efforts of businesses involved with woody biomass fuel products, boilers, and engineering services. Results of the analysis will highlight issues or opportunities with policy implications that will be highlighted for future state legislative sessions. Projected long-term project outcomes include expansion of markets for woody biomass fuel products, increased number of installations that use woody biomass fuel products and

contribute to meeting State of Oregon's goal of 25% renewable energy by 2025, increased business for businesses that service this market segment, and local job retention and creation. WBC's report is due the end of September 2008.

Continue outreach efforts in North Lake and North Klamath counties with and emphasis on enhancing access to information and implementing community leadership development programs.

Over the past year SCOEDD provided the following:

- ✓ Assisted Lake County in development of the unmet Transportation Needs analysis. Through this process contacts were made with several community leaders in Christmas Valley, Fort Rock and Summers Lake.
- ✓ Met with North Lake County community leaders on funding a feasibility study for a senior housing project in Christmas Valley.
- ✓ Through the development of the Regional Investment Strategy, contact was made to the Community Action Teams in North Klamath County and resources were made available.

Assist local jurisdictions and committees in researching funding resources, developing funding strategies, and providing grant assistance for economic development projects, infrastructure needs and essential community services.

Construct water system improvements – City of Merrill – SCOEDD staff worked with the City of Merrill and TEAM Klamath on a \$1 million application to EDA for infrastructure improvements to facilitate the location of Project Cow into the community of Merrill. The new plant was expected to begin production in late summer of 2008 and would have provided up to 40 new jobs in this small rural community. The funds were tentatively committed but due to circumstances outside the City's control the project did not move forward.

Klamath County Mental Health - SCOEDD staff worked with Klamath County Mental Health Department on a CDBG application for the Phoenix House, a new Mental Health Treatment facility. The \$800,000 application was funded and SCOEDD staff is providing grant administration for the project. Construction is anticipated to begin by early fall.

City of Chiloquin Wastewater System Improvements - Currently the City's of Chiloquin's Wastewater Treatment Facility is consistently exceeding the effluent limits specified by the DEQ under their permit. As such the facility is operating out of compliance. To address the compliance matter, the DEQ has issued the City a Mutual Agreement and Order (MAO). The MAO specifies a one year time line from completion of a preliminary engineering report for completing the design and construction of the improvements.

The preliminary Engineering Report was completed in December 2007 which includes an analysis of the existing wastewater system and its performance; an analysis of historical wastewater data and design criteria development; an evaluation of the system deficiencies

and needs; plus an evaluation of improvement alternatives to address the Notice of Noncompliance concerns.

On June 26th, 2008, SCOEDD staff submitted a proposal to OECDD for \$340,000 in CDBG funds for final design and construction of the necessary improvements to the Wastewater facility.

In the 2007 Budget Notes, the Oregon State Legislature provided funding to the Regional Investment Boards (RIB) to develop a statewide inventory of priority infrastructure needs. As administrative staff to the RIB, SCOEDD staff conducted outreach to all cities, counties, special districts and community action teams in both Lake and Klamath counties. Through this process we identified 62 projects totaling more than \$407 million in needed public investment.

Other funding assistance has been provided to:

- ◆ Klamath Family Head Start program – pre-application for CDBG funds to purchase a new facility that consolidates four sites;
- ◆ Researched funding resources for Justice Center in Lake County;
- ◆ Researched Urban Renewal program for funding sewer project in North Klamath County;
- ◆ Met with volunteers from Christmas Valley seeking funding to build an independent living/assisted living facility on donated land;
- ◆ Attended USDA Rural Development training on Value Added and Energy Efficiency/Renewable Energy grant and loan programs;

Continue communication with local lenders and business community to market gap financing programs.

SCOEDD's Business Development Coordinator sent emails reminding the commercial lenders of the financing programs offered through SCOEDD. These emails reached over 400 recipients covering the majority of local lenders. In December, a new brochure was created for the business community that explained the use of a revolving loan fund. Over 75 copies of the brochure have been printed and distributed within the region.

SCOEDD staff continues to maintain a good working relationship with the local Small Business Development Center's (SBDC) director, Jamie Albert. Staff refers projects that need help with business plans and projections to the SBDC and the SBDC refers ready to finance projects to SCOEDD.

During the grant year the following five businesses were assisted, sixteen new jobs were created and one saved with \$305,055 from SCOEDD's revolving loan fund programs:

Biotactics

This business produces biocontrols used as an alternative to toxic pesticides. The business is expanding to Oregon to take advantage of the Basin's geothermal heat. The business occupies greenhouses in the geothermal agriculture industrial park located on Liskey's Farm property and expects to employ 32 local employees within the first two

years. Jobs will include greenhouse laborers, lab personnel, a bilingual administrative assistant, and shift supervisors.

Green Way EcoMart

Opening this June selling environmental friendly products for everyday living including: household cleaning supplies, tools, bath and beauty products, clothing, tote bags, cups and plates, office supplies, compostable party supplies, building supplies, yard and garden supplies, recreational equipment, non-toxic paint, paint remover, caulking, gifts, solar gadgets, battery chargers, rechargeable batteries and solar power kits for recreational vehicles. They will offer community classes about solar installation, xeriscaping, soap making, paint making and other crafts. Also for sale will be a small selection of books about green living and building.

Basin SealRight

Basin SealRight will provide high quality seal coating and crack sealing to residential and commercial customers. Competitive pricing and high quality workmanship will set this startup operation apart from the competition.

Linkville Kitchen and Candy Shoppe

Expanding this June to a larger facility and a new location in the middle of the retail development in front of Wal-Mart, they will sell gourmet cooking utensils and cookware, offer the only cooking classes in the basin and add a coffee kiosk.

Shasta View Genetics (SVG)

A genetic cattle breeding business would have been lost if not for Kate Deeney purchasing the business. SVG is an established business since 1984 that provides on-site services to cattlemen and women in Southern Oregon and Northern California.

Maintain District web page that provides a current synopsis of projects and information and resources pertinent to the region.

SCOEDD has used our website to publish the Business Resource guide, to public notice the CEDS/Regional Strategy and to provide current information and updates on activities. The site is located at www.scoedd.org.

Attachment 1

South Central Oregon Board of Directors

June 2008

Board Member		Economic Interest	Representation			
Last	First			Local Gvt.	Private	Minority
Winters	Brad, Vice-Chair	Retail	Lake County Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Shoun	Dan	Local Gvt.	Lake County Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Kestner	Ken	Forestry	Lake County Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Elliot	John, Chair	Business	Klamath County Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Brown	Bill	Underemployed	Klamath County Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Switzer	Al	Econ Dev/Transportation	Klamath County Commissioner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Simms	Ray	Town Manager	Mayor Designee, Lakeview	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Roberts	Dale	Local Gvt.	Mayor, Paisley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Vacant		Mayor, Bonanza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Cobb	Mark	Specialty Wood Mfg.	Mayor, Chiloquin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Ball	Jeff	Finance	Mayor Designee, Klamath Falls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Zieg	Gary		Mayor, Malin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Vacant		Mayor, Merrill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Villagrana	Frank	Telecommunication	Private Industry - Lake County		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hispanic
Massey	Charles	Chamber of Commerce	Private Industry - Klamath County		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Johnson	Caro	Chamber of Commerce	Lake County, At Large 1		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
			Lake County At Large 2		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Flynn	Fields	Retail	Lake County At Large #3		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Smith	Fred	Education	Klamath County At large #1		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Palmer	Ernie	Public Transit	Klamath County At Large #2		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Chester	Tom	OREC	Higher Education		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Norris	Randy	Under/unemployed	Employment Training		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Hall	Jared	Tribal Business	Klamath Tribes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Native American
		Ad hoc	Lake County Development			
Senn	Trey	Ad hoc	KCEDA			



DECLARATION OF COOPERATION

Christmas Valley Backscatter Site June 2008

Project Conveners

Brad Winters, Lake County Commissioner

Jim Walls, Executive Director Lake County Resources Initiative

Objective

Governor Kulongoski designated Christmas Valley as an Oregon Solutions project in April 2007. The governor's designation letter describes the project as having "the potential to meet many of the State's environmental, economic and social objectives." To meet that end, the project team developed an objective *to preserve the value of the infrastructure of the Christmas Valley site for military training purposes in a way that benefits public welfare and safety, enhancing energy security, and ensuring community benefit.*

Background

The Christmas Valley Back-scatter site consists of 2,622 acres of BLM land withdrawn for use by the U.S. Air Force to provide national security information during the cold war. The site was made obsolete by satellite technology, and is scheduled to return to BLM management in September 2009. It is surrounded by thousands of additional acres of federal BLM land. In the absence of a subsequent user, the property would need to be restored to its original state, at a significant cost, so that BLM is not responsible for the maintenance or liability connected to constructed facilities.

The Oregon Military has expressed significant interest in the site and the infrastructure to support existing and new training missions. Proposals have been developed and shared for consideration within the Air Force. In addition, the Christmas Valley Back-scatter site has several potential advantages for development of alternative energy: two 115 KV lines leading to the site, potential to use existing road systems and other infrastructure, and a sparse but supportive local population. The site has known solar resource and potential wind and geothermal resources.

Oregon Military

- Develop and submit a proposal that will help to benefit public welfare and safety needs with use of the 2622 acres of land currently under Air Force withdrawal.
- Maintain communication with the Oregon Solutions team on the development of and progress of the real property transfer.
- Work with the Oregon Solutions team to evaluate the potential to meet Oregon Military energy requirements through renewable energy development.

Brigadier General Michael Caldwell

Bureau of Land Management

- Continue to provide information to the Oregon Solutions team regarding BLM process requirements.
- Assist U.S. Air Force and Oregon Military, as appropriate, in developing and assessing options for meeting Agency interests.
- Provide technical assistance, as necessary, regarding management of local resources and the evaluation of renewable energy development.

Shirley Gammon
Bureau of Land Management

Midstate Electric Cooperative

- Cooperate with the Oregon Solutions team by providing technical coordinators or advisors to share any relevant available information when necessary, and/or respond to development proposals.

Bill Kopacz
Midstate Electric Coop

Lake County

- Actively participate in Backscatter project throughout the Oregon Solution process and through the implementation stage.
- Maintain County Sherriff presence in Christmas Valley and North Lake County to support site security.

Brad Winters, Commissioner
Lake County

Lake County Resources Initiative

The Lake County Resources Initiative (LCRI) has placed renewable energy projects in Lake County as our number one priority and commits the following support for the Backscatter Radar Site:

- Actively participate in Backscatter project throughout the Oregon Solution process and through the implementation stage.
- As it deems appropriate, assist in seeking funding opportunities at the foundation, state and federal level.
- Inform the public on the development of the site for public welfare.

James K. Walls, Executive Director
Lake County Resources Initiative

Oregon Economic Revitalization Team

- Provide coordination, as appropriate, within the Governor's office.
- Provide updates, as necessary, to State Economic Revitalization Team Department Directors on the project.
- Provide coordination, as appropriate, with the South Central Economic Revitalization Team (SCERT).

Ray Naff, Director
Governor's Economic Revitalization Team

The South Central Oregon Economic Development District (SCOEDD)

- Actively participate in Backscatter project throughout the Oregon Solution process and through the implementation stage.
- Identify economic development opportunities, barriers and implementation actions related to the project, and
- Continue to seek funding opportunities at the state and federal level.

Betty Riley, Executive Director
SCOEDD

Oregon Department of Energy

- Actively participate in the project throughout the Oregon Solution process and through the implementation stage.
- Technical assistance: provide data, analysis or help finding others with information necessary to employ international best practices to assess renewable resource potential at the site.
- Communications: upon request, assist with communications, education or co-negotiation with federal, state or local government, utilities, consumers or the neighboring public.

Michael Grainey, Executive Director
Oregon Department of Energy