

## Agenda Item Summary

### BACKGROUND

The Oregon Fisheries Restoration and Enhancement Act, adopted in 1989 and re-authorized in 1991, 1997 and 2003 through 2009, directs the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to restore Oregon's fisheries. The program is funded from a surcharge on all sport fishing licenses and commercial salmon permit and poundage fees. A seven-member Restoration and Enhancement (R&E) Board reviews all projects and provides recommendations to the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission (Commission) for project funding.

The R&E Board recommended 11 projects totaling \$131,042 be approved for funding at their February 20, 2009 meeting in Salem.

This is the eighth and final cycle of proposals for the 2007-2009 biennium. If the Commission adopts the Board's recommendations, \$3,157,649 of the \$3,177,881 estimated R&E program revenue for the 2007-2009 biennium will be allocated.

### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

R&E Board meetings are open to the public and are "public meetings" under the Oregon Public Meetings laws. Notice of upcoming meetings is provided to interested persons, advertised in the R&E/STEP publication "FishWorks," listed on ODFW's website and distributed to statewide and local media.

### ISSUE 1

#### PROJECT AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

### ANALYSIS

A summary of all projects recommended for funding is presented in the staff report (Attachments 2-4).

### OPTIONS

Option 1. Approve R&E Board recommendations.

Option 2. Reject individual projects.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Option 1.

#### DRAFT MOTION

I move to approve the recommendations of the Fish Restoration and Enhancement Board (with the following exceptions...)

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

March 20, 2009.