



# Fish Screening Task Force

## Interest Form

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### Personal Information

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#### Statement of Interest:

My interest in the Fish Screening Task Force is both from a professional and personal perspective. At the professional level I am currently the General Manager of the second largest irrigation district in the state of Oregon. North Unit Irrigation District (NUID) encompasses 133,000 acres of which 60,000 are irrigated lands serving nearly 1,000 patrons. In this role it is important for me to represent the interests of irrigation and agriculture as it relates to natural resources. On a personal level, I am an avid outdoorsman and fisherman. That said, it is important to me personally to participate on the Fish Screening Task Force to ensure the knowledge I have regarding irrigation, agriculture and the outdoors is used in a manner in which can improve, protect and sustain our natural resources.

I believe the agricultural community and the natural resources community can coexist and can work together to improve habitat and the survivability of native fish and fisheries while maintaining the sustainability and viability of irrigated agriculture.

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**X Agriculture (3 members)**

**Fishing or Fish Conservation (3 members)**

**Public-at-large (1 member)**

As a citizen of the United States, I will accept appointment to the Fish Screening Task Force if selected by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

(Signature)

3/12/10

(Date)

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**Describe your involvement in representing agricultural organizations or interest groups. Please be specific. (For example: developing legislation or other rule making; working with organized groups; agency processes or leadership roles.)**

Serving as GM for irrigation districts in California (previously) and Oregon I have had the opportunity to serve on several boards, organizations and agencies representing irrigation interests and agriculture. Oregon affiliations: Currently Board Member and Executive Committee Member of the Oregon Water Resource Congress. For over 90 years OWRC has represented its members' interests before the Oregon Legislature and nationally before Congress promoting legislation to meet members' needs. Chairman of the Federal Districts Caucus (OWRC), Committee Member - Middle Deschutes Local Advisory Committee, Board Member - Deschutes Basin Board of Control (comprised of 7 central Oregon irrigation districts), Active Participant - Jefferson County Soil & Water Conservation District. Past California affiliations: Region 2 Director - Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), Committee Member - ACWA Water Management Committee, Director - Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority, Chairman of the Managers Committee - Tehama Colusa Canal Authority, (continued on page 2)

**Describe your experience and interest in fish screening or other water related issues (i.e., water diversion operation, fish screen maintenance, agriculture, etc).**

In my role as GM for NUID I am responsible for the operation and maintenance of 2 screened diversions. One located on the Crooked River near Terrebone, OR and one located on the Deschutes River in Bend, OR. Our Crooked River diversion is a pumped diversion (9-450hp pumps) with a newly installed (completed in 2008) traveling fish screen system. The new system replaced an antiquated, non-compliant rotary drum style system. There has been significant public and agency interest in this project given the screening technology used and with the re-introduction of Steelhead to the Crooked River. Our Deschutes River diversion is a gravity diversion (up to 825 cfs) taking water directly from the Deschutes River. The diversion currently contains 2 large rotary drum style fish screens. As GM for 2 irrigation districts in northern California we were the recipient of water that was diverted from the Sacramento River. The Sacramento River is home to over 57 species of Fish. (continued on page 2)

**Describe your experience working with public or private boards and commissions.**

During my irrigation management career, I have worked under administrative direction of a Board of Directors - in each case a Board of 5 Directors. Each district has been a quasi government agency and has worked within the realm of being a "public entity". I have limited experience as a "working" participant of a "commission" but have presented and testified before commissions representing irrigation and agricultural interests. I have a good working knowledge of public and private boards as a board/committee member of both public and private entities.

**REFERENCES: Please list up to three references that we may contact.**

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Committee Member - Colusa County Groundwater Management Plan Advisory Committee. I believe in being engaged and part of the process! I am very familiar with multi agency processes (local/state/federal) as part of conducting everyday business as an irrigation district manager. The districts I have managed have all been U.S. Bureau of Reclamation projects with significant district/federal interaction.

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Four of these are listed as state or federally threatened or endangered. The diverted water (pumped and gravity 1500 CFS) is screened by a drum screen system with the water serving nearly 150,000 acres of diverse agricultural farm land in Northern California. My interest in fish screens stems from the understanding of the importance these facilities play in meeting the needs of those who rely on the water and the importance of protecting the habitat that live and thrive in those same waters. Furthermore, I have a good understanding, and interest, in how these facilities work and believe I could provide input and guidance based on my experience working with varied fish screens and diversions.

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I have worked in the electric power industry @ Pacific Power & PGE for 26 years, I've fished for almost 40 years, I've complained, scratch my head & wondered how ODFW make decisions, I'm tired of complaining and wondering, I want to get involved. I promise not to bring any preconceived ideas; I will listen openly, make comments with respect and offer ideas that reflect my experiences and education. I understand the need for irrigation and the rights that farmers & users possess. I think it is important to work with these willing users to avoid future problems. I am willing to try to work with unwilling users also to explain the problems and suggest corrective measures.

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**Robert Jensen**

**(Signature)**

**02-13-2010**

**(Date)**

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**Describe your involvement in representing agricultural organizations or interest groups. Please be specific. (For example: developing legislation or other rule making; working with organized groups; agency processes or leadership roles.)**

My Wife & I operate a small Angus operation ( 10 - 14 head ) east of Sandy.  
I have a BS University of Portland, Civil Engineering.

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I work with the Hydro Projects daily, I fish (salmon & sturgeon) 35 – 60 days a year, Tillamook, Nehalem, Buoy 10 and Columbia River. I would like to see the state do more to improve and upgrade the fishing experience on the Willamette River, there is and will always be something special about sitting in your boat in downtown Portland and tagging a SLAB, proper screening upstream will help allow this experience to continue in the future.

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I have participated on the Oregon State Marine Board Technical Advisory Board for vessel waste, I was an officer with Gresham Little League, Member of the Budget Committee for Sandy Fire & Budget Committee for Sandy Union High School.

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