RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT (R&E) PROJECT APPROVALS: PROJECT SUMMARIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

2017-2019 Biennium - Cycle 4 of 7

The R&E Board met in Salem on January 5, 2018 to review nine proposals. They recommended funding eight of the project proposals. Four board member votes are required to pass a project funding recommendation; seven board members attended the meeting. This attachment includes a summary of the recommended projects and Board review.

Copies of applications are available on the new R&E project website https://nrimp.dfw.state.or.us/RE/

The R&E Board recommends funding the following projects:

Restoration

None this cycle

Enhancement

Project Number: 17-032

Project Title: Rainbow Plaza Fish Cleaning Station

Project Type: Access

Sponsor: City of Reedsport Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement \$85,590

Match: \$ 1,521,673 (\$1,415,424 City of Reedsport, Port of

Umpgua, OSMB, ODFW, OSPD; \$106,249 City of

Reedsport, Port of Umpqua)

Total Project Cost: \$ 1,607,263

Project Summary

The City is working with ODF&W and the OSMB to rehabilitate the Umpqua River Boat Launch (Rainbow Plaza). The proposal would add a fish cleaning station in close proximity to this project directly adjacent to a boat wash station that was developed in 2016.

Board Summary: Votes: 5Y, 2N

This project was supported by the Board after a lengthy discussion related to the cost of the selected grinder and whether or not it would work or be appropriate in this location. Prior to passing, a motion was made, and seconded, to deny the project. That motion failed to pass by a vote of 2Y to 5N.

Project Number: 17-033

Project Title: Brownell Dam Removal Project

Project Type: Passage

Sponsor: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement **Funds Requested:** \$ 68,785

Match: \$ 68.099 (\$68,099 ODFW)

Total Project Cost: \$ 136,884

Project Summary

The Brownell Dam removal project goal is to remove the furthest downstream fish passage impediment on the Umatilla River. Brownell has been shown to be a major passage delay and a section of the dam has also been breached, possibly injuring fish. Removal is necessary to increase passage.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board after a brief discussion on the amount of passage this will provide, angler benefits, and the ratio of sport and commercial benefits.

Project Number: 17-034

Project Title: Walcott Fish Passage Improvement Project

Project Type: Passage

Sponsor: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement **Funds Requested:** \$ 93,243

Match: \$ 174,800 (\$74,800 ODFW; \$100,000 ODOT)

Total Project Cost: \$ 268,043

Project Summary

A concrete pool and weir fish ladder will be built by ODFW's Central Point Screen Shop at an irrigation dam to address the lack of passage during the irrigation season, particularly for fall Chinook salmon. The result will be year-round volitional passage for all adult and juvenile native migratory fish.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board after a brief discussion on the amount of passage this will provide, angler benefits, and the ratio of sport and commercial benefits.

Project Number: 17-035

Project Title: Port of Brookings Fish Cleaning Station

Project Type: Access

Sponsor: Oregon South Coast Fishermen

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement

Funds Requested: \$ 6.540

Match: \$ 3,378 (\$3,378 Oregon South Coast Fishermen)

Total Project Cost: \$ 9,918

Project Summary

Refurbish the Port fish cleaning station by replacing the table plumbing, replacing the roof, repairing rotten lumber fascia, replacing bird screening, replacing the cutting surfaces, repainting the interior and exterior and moving electrical outlets.

Board Summary: Votes: 6Y, 0N, 1 abstention

This project was supported by the Board after a brief discussion related to why the Oregon South Coast Fishermen were doing the work instead of the port and why they do not have a grinder.

Richard Heap, the R&E Chair, recused himself and moved to the audience during review of this proposal. Rich is the current president of the Oregon South Coast Fishermen and as such was the applicant for this request.

Project Number: 17-037

Project Title: ODFW Angler Access Improvements 2017-19, Phase II

Project Type: Access

Sponsor: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement \$209,000 **Match:** \$586,970

(\$496,650 SFR, \$50,000 USFWS, \$15,120 ODWF Engineering, \$15,360 ODFW, \$9,840 Linn County)

Total Project Cost: \$ 795,970

Project Summary

This block grant improves angling access sites at six water-bodies across the state and is phase II of the Angler Access Grant phase I approved by R&E in Cycle 17-2. The specific information for each project are clearly disseminated in a summary attachment to this grant.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board after a discussion related to the status of engineering designs, development of standards, amount of use, and rational for some of the selected features.

Project Number: 17-039

Project Title: Marine/Columbia Fisheries Monitoring Modernization

Project Type: Research/Monitoring

Sponsor: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement **Funds Requested:** \$79,625

Match: \$ 89,292 (\$89,292 ODFW)

Total Project Cost: \$ 168,917

Project Summary

This project will modernize the hardware and software used to electronically collect data on both Marine and Columbia recreational and commercial fisheries. Upgrades will replace aging equipment, accelerate data acquisition, improve data accuracy, and alleviate network security concerns. New survey hardware and software will assist ODFW in managing these fisheries.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board after a discussion related to the use of the devices to benefit fishery management and manage quotas, and what will happen to the R&E funds if other funding is secured.

Project Number: 17-040

Project Title: Hagg Lake ADA Fishing Pier Parking Improvements

Project Type: Access

Sponsor: Washington County Parks

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement **Funds Requested:** \$ 10,000

Match: \$ 460,565 (\$290,595 OSMB, \$170,000 Washington County)

Total Project Cost: \$ 470,595

Project Summary

The proposal seeks to rehabilitate a 3,240 sq. ft. failing gravel parking area in the most heavily used recreation area of Scoggins Valley Park. This area serves an ADA-accessible fishing pier, a trailhead to shore access, and numerous picnic sites. This project will grade, pave and stripe the parking area.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board after a discussion related to the value of this site for ADA access and anglers.

Project Number: 17-041

Project Title: Elk River Telemetry Study
Project Type: Research/Monitoring

Sponsor: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement **Funds Requested:** \$ 99,480

Match: \$ 4,885,220 (\$4,018,000 OHRC, \$867,220 ODFW)

Total Project Cost: \$4,984,700

Project Summary

This proposal seeks to implement a research project to study the migration behavior of hatchery fall Chinook returning to the Elk River. Fish will be radio-tagged and tracked by foot, boat and car throughout the Elk and Sixes Rivers watersheds. We may enter public or private land while tracking.

Board Summary: Votes: 6Y, 1N

This project was supported by the Board after a discussion related to the amount of, and need for, future R&E requests to finish this project.

Project Number: 17-023

Project Title: Comparison of trout stocks--Howard Prairie

Project Type: Research/Monitoring **Sponsor:** ODFW – Central Point

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement

Funds Requested: \$ 9,000

Match: \$ 3,072 (\$3,072 ODFW)

Total Project Cost: \$ 12,072

Project Summary

The Rogue District previously completed a project testing the release of fall fingerling rainbow trout to support the trout fishery at Howard Prairie in the face of illegal fish introductions. The next step in restoring the fishery is reviewing different stocks to identify the best contribution to the fishery.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board with minimal discussion.

Project Number: 17-024

Project Title: Coquille Working Landscapes Project--C3P Tidegates

Project Type: Habitat

Sponsor: ODFW – Roseburg/Coos Bay

Enhancement/Restoration: Enhancement **Funds Requested:** \$ 200,000

Match: \$ 10,015,827 (\$900,000 ODFW, \$3,235,000 OWEB,

\$2,710,000 NOAA, \$802,838 PCSRF, \$1,224,412 ODFW

wildlife, \$240,209 Beaver Slough Drainage District, \$803,368 TNC, \$100,000 Stakeholder Monitoring

Partnership)

Total Project Cost: \$ 10,215,827

Project Summary

This R&E funding will be a match to the BSDD's China Camp Creek (C3P) tidegate and associated infrastructure construction. The C3P, and ODFW's Winter Lake Restoration Project (WLRP) on the Coquille Valley Wildlife Area (CVWA) collectively make up the "Coquille Working Landscapes Project", a collaboration between Agriculture and Conservation organizations.

Board Summary: Votes: 7Y, 0N

This project was supported by the Board with some discussion on the value to the fisheries.