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OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
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DATE: January 10, 2012
TO: Interested Members of the Public
FROM: Autumn Larkins
RE: Minutes for Nov./Dec. 2011 Sage Grouse Local Implementation Team Meetings

Attached are the minutes from the most recent round of meetings for the ODFW Sage Grouse Local Implementation Teams (LIT). As part of the [Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon](#), ODFW created five Local Implementation Teams, one for each Bureau of Land Management District within the current distribution of sage-grouse in Oregon as well as one in the Baker Resource Area in the Vale district. More details about the membership and responsibilities of the Local Implementation Teams can be found in [The Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon](#), which is available on ODFW's website in the Conservation section. Public meetings are held in each of the Implementation Team areas periodically.

During November and December 2011, the teams held their latest round of meetings with the Lakeview and Vale meetings held on Nov. 17 and Nov. 18, respectively. The Hines, Prineville, and Baker meetings were held on Dec. 6, Dec. 8, and Dec. 13, respectively.

The objective of this round of meetings was to review the Department's Core Area and Conservation Opportunity maps and identify Action Areas that share common threats to sage-grouse, which will help to focus efforts for future habitat management actions and/or mitigation needs.

Each Local Implementation Team identified multiple action areas within their districts. The description of threats and issues for each Action Area can be found in the meeting minutes for

each LIT. The maps are in the process of being digitized and will be available online by the end of January 2012.

The next round of meetings will be scheduled for February or early March 2012. The objectives of this next round of meetings will be to prioritize on the ground efforts within the Action Areas, establish parties conducting the treatments and monitoring, set appropriate timelines and if necessary identify funding sources for each project.