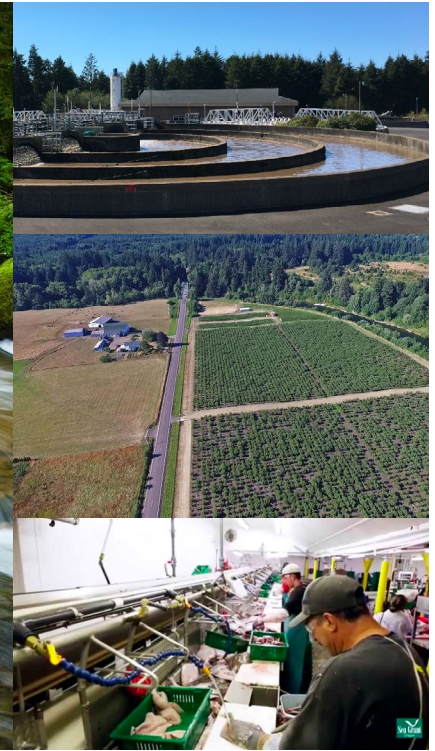


MID-COAST WATER PLANNING PARTNERSHIP



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A Key Next Step - Affirming Charter Signatories

"All the water that will ever be is, right now."
~National Geographic

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The Partnership is entering a critical phase in the development of an integrated water management plan. This phase of the project includes the development of strategies and actions that meet the goals and objectives that have been defined by the partnership since September of 2016.

The Plan Development Team would like to initially engage with charter signatories to draft the strategies, and will share the progress in developing and prioritizing these strategies with all partners in the Mid-Coast region at key points throughout the process. All partners will have an opportunity to review, comment on, and share perspectives on the proposed draft strategies.

Because the MCWPP has a charter, it is important to affirm:

- **Current charter signatories**, both specific individuals and affiliations (recognizing that agencies and other organizations have turnover through time)
- **Charter signatories willing to participate in a series of eight 90-minute meetings in January and February.**

Alexandria Scott, the MCWPP Local Planning Coordinator, will be reaching out to you in the next several weeks to affirm charter signatories and develop a list of signatories willing and able to participate in the strategy development meetings in early 2021 (note: a charter signatory is not required to participate in all eight meetings, but should be willing to participate in at least four of the meetings).

Vote on MCWPP Logo!

The new partnership website called for a logo and a name to describe the geography and context of the partnership. The Project Team developed some draft versions of logos, and worked with the Coordinating Committee to refine the logo concepts for partner review.

The following are the logo concepts for "Head 2 Cape," which defines the geographic scope of the partnership from Cascade Head to Cape Perpetua. We are asking partners to participate in 2 votes: a) the preferred logo for the website and b) if you also support that same logo as the MCWPP logo moving forward.

Please vote for your favorite by participating in an online poll by November 15, 2020:
<https://form.jotform.com/202946718190157>



COMING IN NOVEMBER . . .



- Compile results of logo survey and post new logo to the partnership website.
- Prepare for January/February 2021 stakeholder meetings by reviewing and compiling information mined from past partnership work and developing the templates for each of the mini action agendas/plans.
- Mine other integrated water plans for potential strategies.
- Continue to build out Oregon Explorer Landing Page and Map Viewer as well as a searchable archive of partnership documents.
- Work with BlueWater GIS to finalize the MCWPP storymap.
- Continue building out the website.

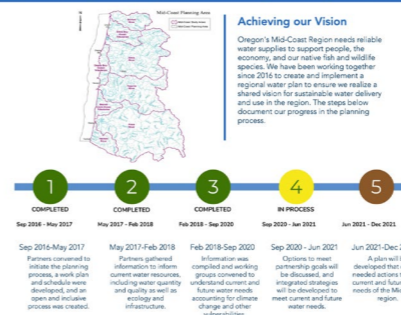
The "From Plan to Action Virtual Conversations"

In an effort to help water collaboratives that need help engaging their partners and the broader community and translating complex technical and planning documents into communication materials that will help them take action with the support of their partners, community, decision makers, and funders, the Oregon Water Resources Department (the Department) is hosting virtual conversations.

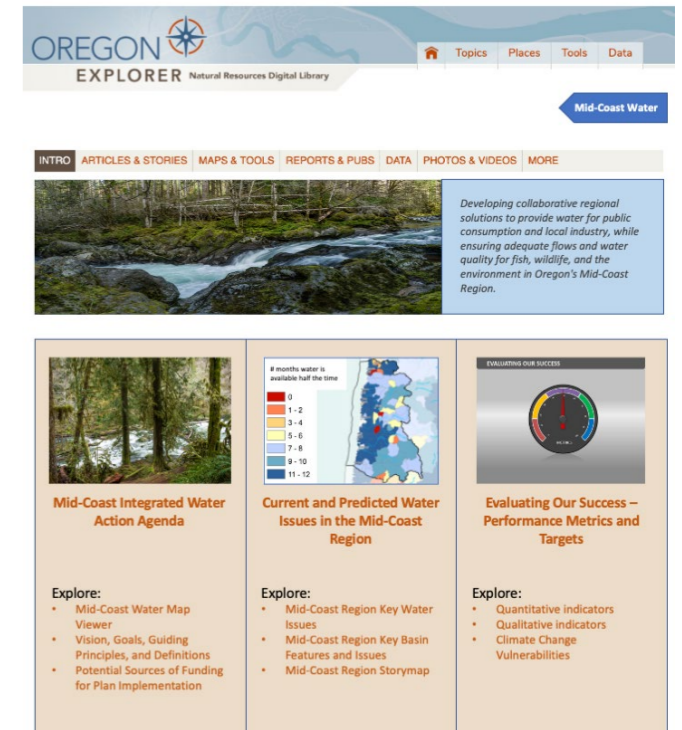
The second meeting in the series featured three representatives from our [Integrated Water Resource Management Plan Development Team](#) - Lisa DeBruyckere ([Creative Resource Strategies](#)), Lisa Gaines ([Institute for Natural Resources](#) at Oregon State University) and Janine Salwasser (INR's [Oregon Explorer](#) Program). They presented the different web-based tools and resources that are being used in the Mid-Coast to make technical information more accessible:

- A series of visually appealing, easily navigable web-pages on our new website, www.midcoastwaterpartners.com, created to translate the lengthy Step 2 technical documents summarizing water conditions in the Mid-Coast region;
- A Story Map that is being developed to convey high-level concepts from Step 2 and Step 3 to the general public; and
- Examples from the Oregon Explorer and how it can be used to support planning and implementation.

If you have not signed up for our [email list](#), please do so you can receive our monthly newsletter and email blasts! If you are interested in more information about the "From Plan to Action Virtual Conversations," contact Harmony Burrigot or Steve Parrett, Planning Coordinators for the Department at Harmony.S.Burright@oregon.gov and Steve.W.Parrett@oregon.gov.



Mock-up of Mid-Coast Water landing page on the Oregon Explorer



Plan Development Team Works With Coordinating Committee to Review Plan Framework

The Plan Development Team convened with the Coordinating Committee in October to discuss next steps in the development of the Mid-Coast water plan. Alexandria provided an update on the status of the storymap by BlueWater GIS consultants, noting the storymap would be produced in both English and Spanish versions, and completed by the end of the year. The Plan Development Team is mining past documents and convening with the Coordinating Committee to obtain their input and perspectives on developing the framework for the plan prior to convening with stakeholders in early 2021. A key goal is to prevent duplication of effort and be as efficient as possible moving forward.