# Renewable Energy Opportunities and

## **Eastern Oregon Landscape Conservation Partnership**

## June 17<sup>th</sup> 2010

### **DRAFT MEETING NOTES**

#### **ACTION ITEMS & NEXT STEPS**

- BLM will develop and share opportunity map with caveats
- ODFW will share and present Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon
- Will make contacts (John Savage or Holly Michaels) to discuss the Western Governor's Association project, Western Renewable Energy Zones, at next meeting
- Refine request for a renewable energy forum (workshop) to draft goals, content, participants, etc.
- Continue to develop draft Declaration of Cooperation that will reiterate principles, objectives and stakeholders support for the Partnership
- Next meeting date: July 30.

#### **BRIEF MEETING SUMMARY**

The purpose of the meeting and the agenda were introduced by Mike Carrier and Mike Haske.

The purpose of this partnership is to establish an on-going collaborative action strategy to address the needs and issues inherent to both renewable energy opportunities and habitat conservation and restoration needs across Eastern Oregon.

### Sage Brush Conservation – Status of Efforts

• ODFW shared schedule for Sage Grouse Conservation Strategy, public comment period and hearing date before their Commission. Also Dave Budeau shared draft map of sage grouse leks.

## **Draft Declaration of Cooperation**

- Greg Wolf introduced DoC concept, emphasized that the DoC is a living/working document that will help partners integrate resources.
- Pete Dalke spoke about what projects to include in the DoC, right now focusing on the BLM opportunities map, workshop and continued sharing of information regarding energy development and Eastern Oregon landscape conservation issues.

• Discussion by co-conveners asking partners to look at the initial DoC document, offer edits and start to draft support statements that represent what commitments could be made towards the Partnership.

Other issues brought to the discussion:

- Scope of what to include on the opportunities map will continue to evolve. USF&WS spoke briefly about a proposed study of golden eagle habitat that is being developed.
- The Renewable Energy Working Group administered by ODOE has created some documents relating to wind energy development that should be reviewed by group.
- ONDA and TNC approached BLM about a forum to discuss issues around renewable energy development, could be pursued through workshop as part of this partnership.

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## **Participants**

Meeting Convener: Mike Carrier, Governor's Natural Resource Office Policy Director and Mike Haske, BLM State Office Deputy Director

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BLM	Kim Titus
BLM	Cathie Jensen
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GNRO Sustainability/Energy Advisor	Ivo Trummer
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ODFW	Eric Rickerson
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