OREGON SOLUTIONS TEAM – TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FACILITATION TEAM

Eric T. (Rick) Mogren, PhD, PE
Adjunct Associate Professor and Senior Fellow,
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Rick’s professional career is a mix of experience as an Army engineer officer, consultant, facilitator, instructor, and lecturer. His academic interest focuses on interjurisdictional governance in the Pacific Northwest.

Rick completed a 27-year career as an Army engineer officer in June 2001, retiring with the rank of Colonel. His final assignment was to serve as the Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff for the Corps of Engineers’ Northwestern Division, headquartered in Portland, Oregon.

One of the lessons he took away from this experience was that solutions to the complex natural resource policy issues in the Northwest rarely fall within the jurisdiction of any one agency or level of government. Rather, they require a coordinated network of government, non-profit, and private entities working together to craft mutually acceptable plans and actions.

In November 2003, he began consulting on Columbia Basin issues and formally established his own consulting practice in January 2004. He offers process management and facilitative leadership to multi-jurisdictional networks engaged in natural resource related issues. He joined the adjunct faculty at the Center for Public Service at about the same time where he teaches and engages in public service-related consulting projects.

Rick is a licensed professional civil engineer and holds a doctorate in Public Affairs and Policy from Portland State University. He and wife Robby live in Beaverton. They have two grown children.

Rick will serve as lead facilitator for the Oregon Solutions Team Technical Advisory Committee.

Julia Babcock
Project Coordinator
Oregon Solutions, National Policy Consensus Center, Portland State University

Julia has worked as a Project Coordinator for Oregon Solutions since 2009 on a number of local and state policy issues including the Lloyd Green District, the Federal Forest Advisory Committee Implementation Working Group (FFAC IWG) and the Sage Grouse Conservation Partnership (SageCon). In addition since 2010 she has co-facilitated the Vietnam Forum at PSU to host visiting delegations and build a research agenda between Oregon and Vietnam through the Center for Public Service.

Prior to moving to Oregon, Julia was a planner for the Cities of Clearwater and West Palm Beach in Florida. She holds a B.A. in English with minors in Geography and Urban Planning from University of Florida and a Masters in Urban and Regional Planning from Portland State University.

Julia will serve as assistant facilitator for the Oregon Solutions Team Technical Advisory Committee.
Craig W. Shinn, PhD
Professor of Public Administration
Mark O. Hatfield School of Government, Portland State University

Dr. Craig W. Shinn (B.S., University of Maine; M.P.A., Lewis & Clark College; Ph.D., University of Washington) is an Associate Professor of Public Administration.

His teaching, through the Masters in Public Administration program, the Public Administration and Policy doctoral program and the Center for Public Service, demonstrates his commitment to combining people, politics and the environment. His classes and seminars in organization theory draw on his experience with and study of natural resource organizations and institutions. His short courses in Natural Resource Policy Values and Economics, or Watersheds: The Clean Water Act and More, and programs he oversees like the Executive Seminar Program and the Watershed Management Professional Program, build on his practice and understanding of policy, institutions and community-based natural resource management.

Craig is regularly involved in the community of practice, providing applied workshops, consulting services and outreach in the region and across the nation and globe. His research stems from his interests in how policy agreement is created and sustained in society including administrative aspects of adaptive management, social aspects of sustainability, civic capacity building and inter-jurisdictional administration of natural resources. He coauthored Rural Resource Management (1994) with Sandra Miller and William Bentley and co-managed the Oregon State of the Environment Report (2000). Most recently he co-authored Foundations of Public Governance (2014) with Dr. Doug Morgan et al. Two books are forthcoming: New Public Governance edited by Morgan and Cook in which Dr. Shinn co-writes the introductory and concluding chapters and features the work of seven of his doctoral students (in press, M.E. Sharpe), and Polity Leadership (Expected 2014, M.E. Sharpe).

Craig will serve as senior advisor to the Oregon Solutions Team Technical Advisory Committee.

Nicole Savara-Brown
Office Coordinator
Center for Public Service, Mark O. Hatfield School of Government, Portland State University

Nicole’s responsibilities are to provide clerical support to the Center for Public Service to ensure smooth office operations by overseeing daily office logistics. Nicole previously worked as an administrative assistant for multiple event planning companies as well as Oregon State University. She graduated from Oregon State University in 2011 with a degree in Interior Design. Nicole was born and raised in Portland. Currently she lives downtown with her husband and cat. When not working, she enjoys reading, crafts, design, board games and traveling.

Nicole will provide administrative support to the Oregon Solutions Team Technical Advisory Committee.