

**Renewable Energy & Eastern Oregon Landscape Conservation Partnership**  
January 20 2-4 p.m.

**Meeting Notes**

**ACTION ITEMS & NEXT STEPS**

- Compile existing mitigation policies from agencies
- Revise mitigation work group document based on meeting discussion
- Updates to website to include PacifiCorp powerpoint
- Next meeting to be held Mid-February

**BRIEF MEETING SUMMARY**

Welcome, Introductions & Agenda Review

REECon Partnership Structure Going Forward  
*Turner Odell, Oregon Consensus*

- Reviewed operating principles for the Partnership and related work groups

Proposed Mitigation Work Group – Exploratory meeting & draft principles

- Strengthen the purpose statement by adding language to clarify the following:
  - State/Federal intent to support renewable energy
  - Consideration for economic factors and social issues
  - Where/how to consider other species impacts (e.g. mule deer) and scale (e.g. landscape vs. local)
  - Federal and state level mitigation and how it relates to county level land use policy and other local decision making bodies
  - Existing mitigation policies
- Other Discussions:
  - Direction from Governor Kitzhaber will deeply influence our process
  - Outcomes of mitigation group
    - Cookbook recipe for developers or setting wider expectations?
    - Consider ecosystem services approach
  - Role of private land owners
    - Consideration for conservation and mitigation steps that have already been taken
  - Need an additional meeting to address the timeframe and scope

Transmission Capacity & Needs for Renewable Energy—considerations & issues 30 minutes  
*Brian Fritz, Director of Transmission Development, PacifiCorp*  
*Dennis Desmarais – generator interconnection and transmission service queue management, PacifiCorp*

- PacifiCorp has an obligation to serve load within its territory through IRPs (Integrated Resource Plans) approved by states to meet ten year load forecasts.
- New generators drive the need for transmission. Smaller generators are dispersed but generally, generators are located where the load is. It is more cost effective to create energy centers with several generators and transmission lines with a large capacity.

Golden Eagle – data layer for “complexities map”

*Doug Young, USFWS*

Proposed 2011 golden eagle inventory in Oregon – USFWS and BLM

Primary tasks of this project are as follows:

- To compile historical data through 2010 on nest locations and nest use by golden eagles in Oregon
- To inventory and monitor breeding areas during the 2011 and 2012 nesting seasons
- To report on the locations of and reproduction at historical and current breeding locations

Timeline

- The work will be conducted on a calendar-year basis starting January 2011
- Map of golden eagle nest locations will be posted on USFWS website

Participants:

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BLM	Mark Brown
BLM	Kim Titus
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Dept of State Lands	Lanny Quackenbush
ODFW	Eric Rickerson
ODFW - High Desert Region	Bob Hooton
US F&WS	Jeff Everett
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US F&WS	Joe Zisa
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