

Informational Seminar

Using Wetlands for Disposal of Treated Wastewater

When: Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Where: Anderson Perry's Conference Center

409 Fir Street, La Grande, Oregon

Cost: No Cost to Participants Registered by September 14, 2011

The use of wetlands for disposal of treated wastewater is becoming an increasingly attractive option that may be worth your consideration. Restrictions on disposing treated wastewater to a stream continue to be more and more stringent, including prohibiting discharge at certain times of the year. Wetlands provide an option to dispose of treated wastewater year-round, and can also replace the use of irrigation for disposal of treated wastewater. Constructed wetlands are engineered systems that utilize natural wetland processes such as soil materials, water evaporation/transpiration, plants, and microorganisms to assist in disposal of treated wastewater. A growing number of communities are considering wetlands for disposal of treated wastewater. This option has many operational advantages and can be a more affordable alternative.

Seminar Agenda

- 9:30 a.m. Seminar Registration – Coffee and treats to be provided.
- 10:00 a.m. Panel of experts discuss new issues regarding wetland disposal and associated advantages and challenges. Speakers include: Brad Baird, P.E., Brett Moore, P.E., and George Chadwick, P.E.
- 11:15 a.m. Eastern Oregon cities share their insights into permitting, constructing, and operating wetland disposal systems. Eric Klann, P.E., from the City of Prineville will talk about their ongoing wetland efforts.
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch to be provided by Anderson Perry
- 12:45 p.m. Depart via bus to tour the Ladd Marsh wetland complex. Tour will include comments from City of La Grande and ODFW.

Seating is limited, so please RSVP to Kari Hagedorn via phone at (541) 963-8309 or via email at khagedorn@andersonperry.com by September 14, 2011.

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