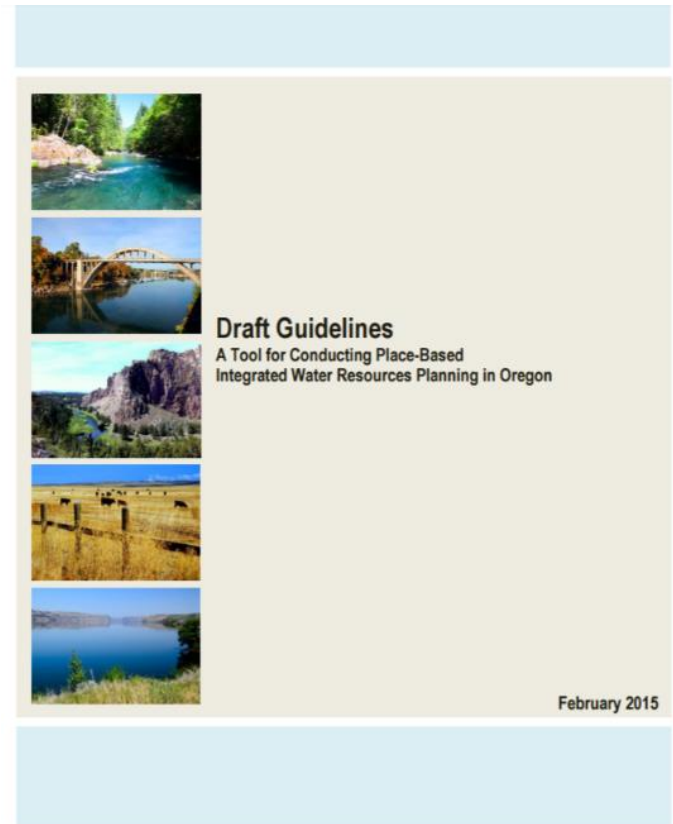


- **Step 1:** Build a collaborative and inclusive process
- **Step 2:** Characterize water resources – including quantity, quality, and ecology
- **Step 3:** Understand water needs and vulnerabilities
- **Step 4:** Identify integrated solutions
- **Step 5:** Develop and adopt an integrated water resources plan

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- Developed through collaboration
- Balanced representation of interests
- Balances current and future instream and out-of-stream needs
- Open and transparent process
- Fosters public participation
- Consistent with state law and policy
- Facilitates local solutions
- Conducted in partnership with the state

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CHAPTER _____

AN ACT

Relating to place-based integrated water resources strategies; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 536.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "place-based integrated water resources" means waters that are from sources within a single drainage basin or within an area that is a subset of a single drainage basin.

(2) The Water Resources Department may issue grants from available moneys to facilitate the preparation of place-based integrated water resources strategies that are consistent with state laws concerning the water resources of this state, state water resources policy and department requirements. The department may issue grants under this subsection to:

(a) A person;

(b) A public body as defined in ORS 174.109; or

(c) An Indian tribe.

(3) The department may enter into contracts or agreements with, and provide technical assistance and information to, a person, a public body as defined in ORS 174.109 or an Indian tribe for the development of place-based integrated water resources strategies.

(4) Place-based integrated water resources strategies described in subsections (2) and (3) of this section must:

(a) Be developed in collaboration with a balanced representation of interests;

(b) Balance current and future in-stream and out-of-stream needs;

(c) Include the development of actions that are consistent with the existing state laws concerning the water resources of this state and state water resources policy;

(d) Facilitate implementation of local solutions;

(e) Be developed utilizing an open and transparent process that fosters public participation; and

(f) Be developed in consultation with the department.




(5) The Water Resources Commission may adopt rules for the administration of this section.

SECTION 3. (1) Section 2 of this 2015 Act is repealed July 1, 2019.

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82 Inquiries
24 Interested places
16 Letters of interest
\$3.6 Million requested
\$750,000 Available
4 Places selected
18 State and federal agencies engaged

 Current pilot areas  Conveners still interested based on survey results  Past inquiries and interest

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Water is a priority for Oregon communities



All of the conveners that submitted a Letter of Interest are still interested in convening a place-based planning effort. When asked to rank the importance of water planning in their community, all 16 conveners gave it a score of at least 7 out of 10 and 12 gave it a score of 9 or 10 out of 10.

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What's standing in the way?

#1 Lack of financial support



#2 Limited coordination capacity



#3 Too many competing demands



#4 Knowledge limited problems

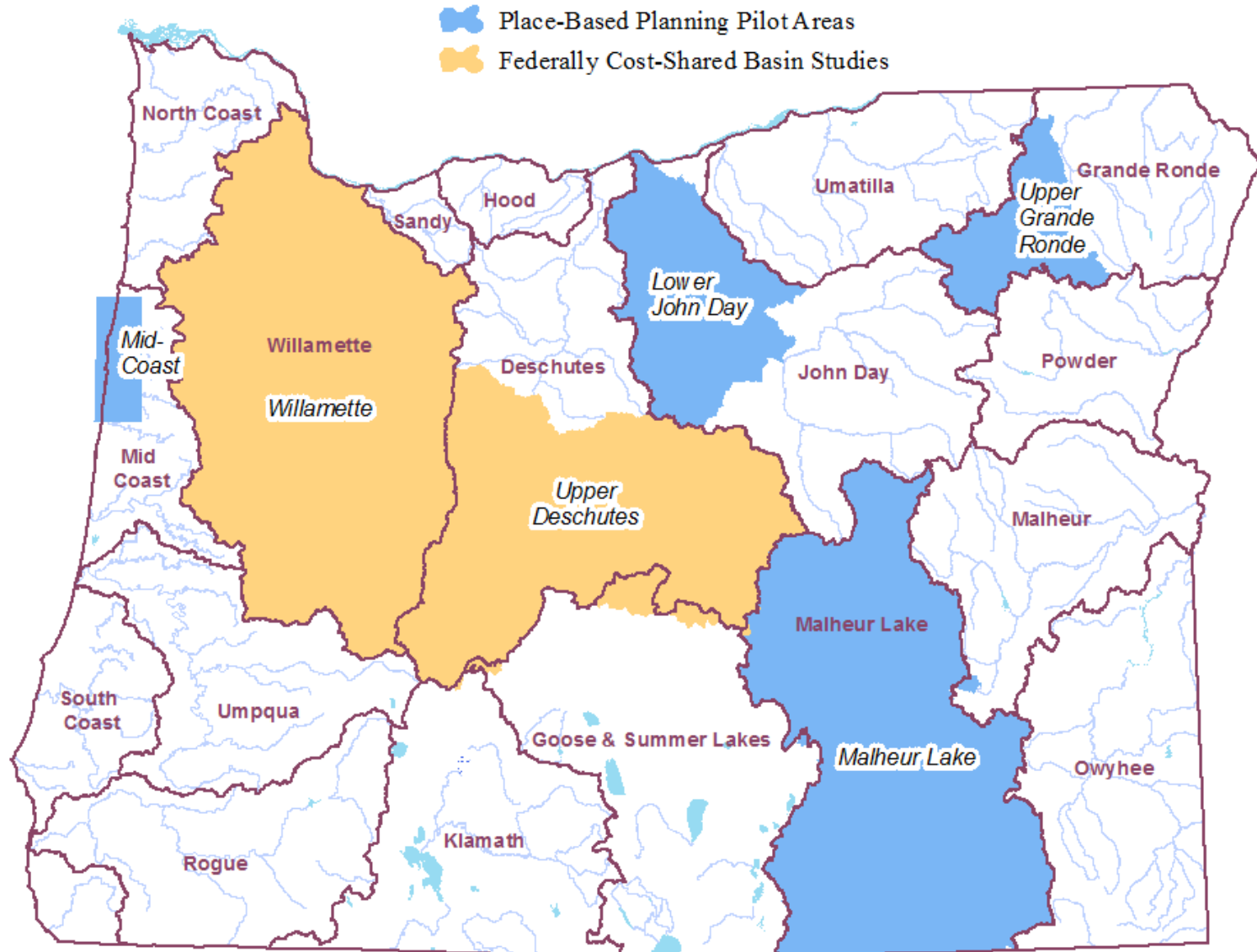


“When I saw this opportunity I thought ‘this is long overdue, this is just what we need.’”

“We have to work together to find creative solutions to long-standing water challenges. You and I both know, these challenges won’t resolve themselves and we can’t do it alone.”

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Collaborative Water Planning



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