

State of Oregon
Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

Date: Oct. 5, 2012
To: Environmental Quality Commission
From: Dick Pedersen, Director
Subject: Agenda item D, Informational item: DEQ's Regional Solutions Team members
Oct. 25-26, 2012, EQC meeting

Purpose of item This item will introduce the commissioners to the DEQ staff serving as Regional Solutions Team members across the state and provide the commissioners an opportunity to learn more about the teams and their projects.

Background Oregon's Regional Solutions Teams are state employees who work together for successful and efficient economic development projects. Governor Kitzhaber established the teams in 2011, building on the successful model of the Oregon Economic Revitalization Teams. The teams are co-located at six Regional Solution Centers around the state. The centers are physically located on college and university campuses, and team members represent the state agencies typically involved in the permitting and review processes required for local economic development projects. The staff at the centers work together at the local level to identify priorities, solve problems and ensure that projects are completed in the most economical and streamlined process possible.

DEQ has staff working at all six Regional Solutions Centers. A full list of the involved agencies and staff is included as attachment B.

Attachments A. Oregon Solutions Network flier
B. Regional Solutions Centers staff list
C. Regional Solution Teams advisory committees list

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Information provided by the governor's office and Regional Solution Team members