



Sustainability in Oregon State and local efforts

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What do we share?

- Fully developed economies
- Difficulty meeting increasing energy and material demands
- Difficulty meeting CO₂ emission goals
- Significant legacy pollutants
- Commitment to sustainability and environmental protection





What are we challenged by?

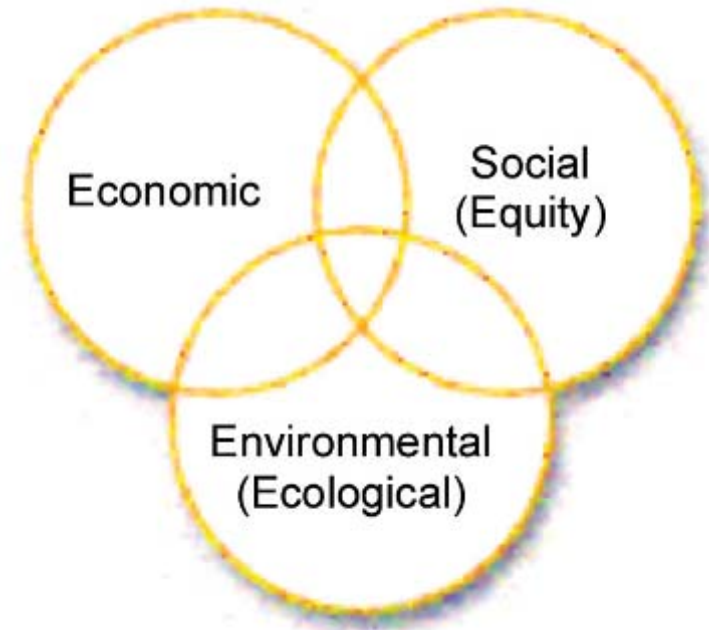
- How to manage global economies to minimize volatility and maintain confidence
- How to manage long-term, large-scale cumulative environmental impacts in a global political setting
- How to create and manage modern sustainable societies



Oregon seeks sustainable development while meeting the future needs related to:

- The environment
- The economy
- Our society

The “Triple Bottom Line”





Some On-going Projects and Efforts

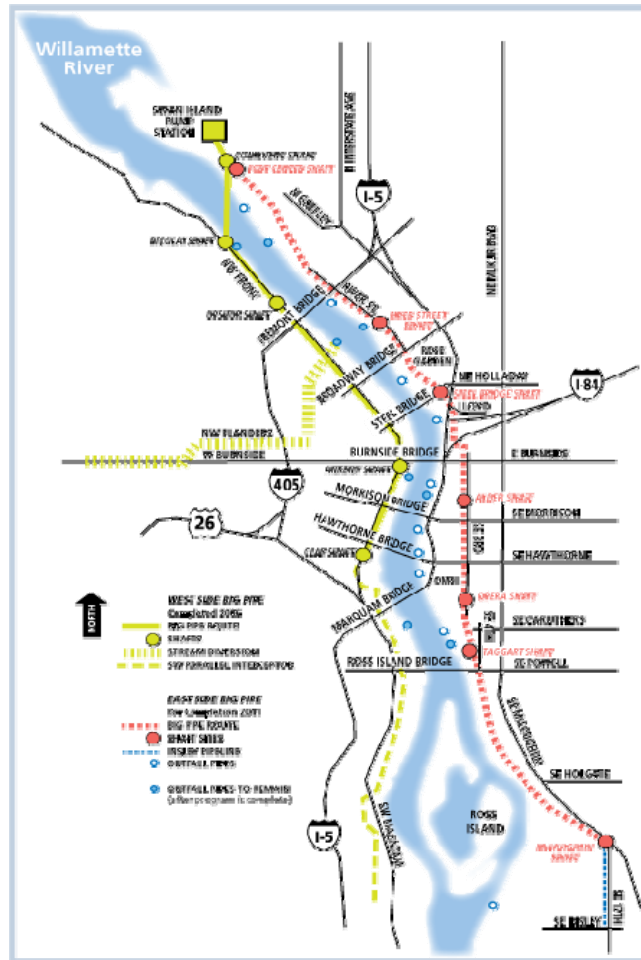
Using Recycled Water in Oregon

- Oregon's recycled water rules:
 - Protects public health by specifying proper setbacks, site management practices, and access and exposure requirements.
 - Identified 4 types of treated effluent from municipal wastewater treatment facilities
 - Identified beneficial uses including: irrigation; industrial, commercial, & construction uses; landscaping uses and artificial groundwater recharge

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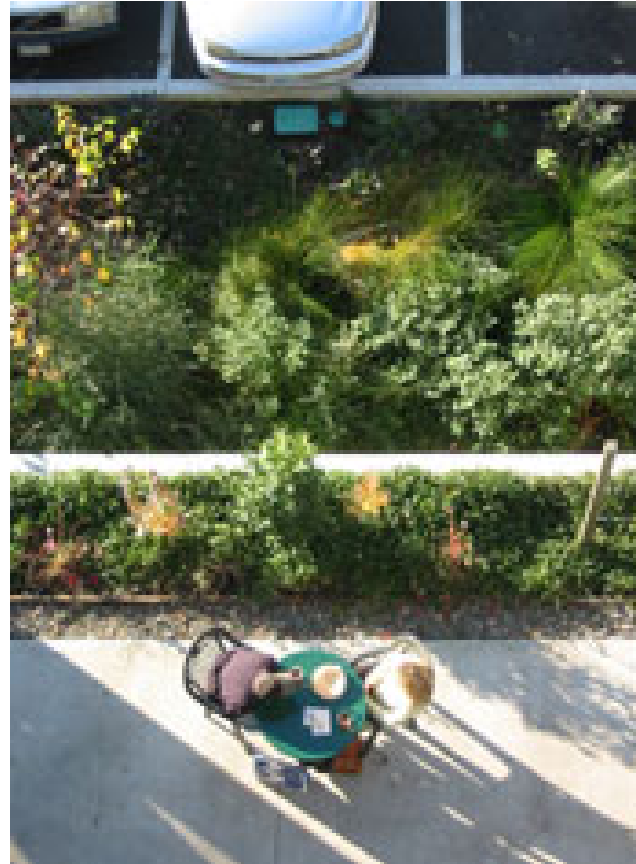
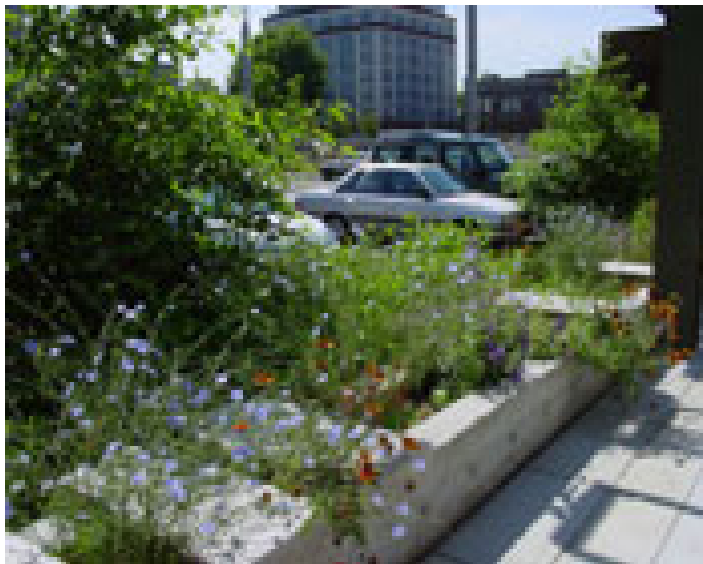
City of Portland's "Big Pipe"



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Reducing stormwater runoff using bioswals



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Reducing stormwater runoff using “Green Streets”



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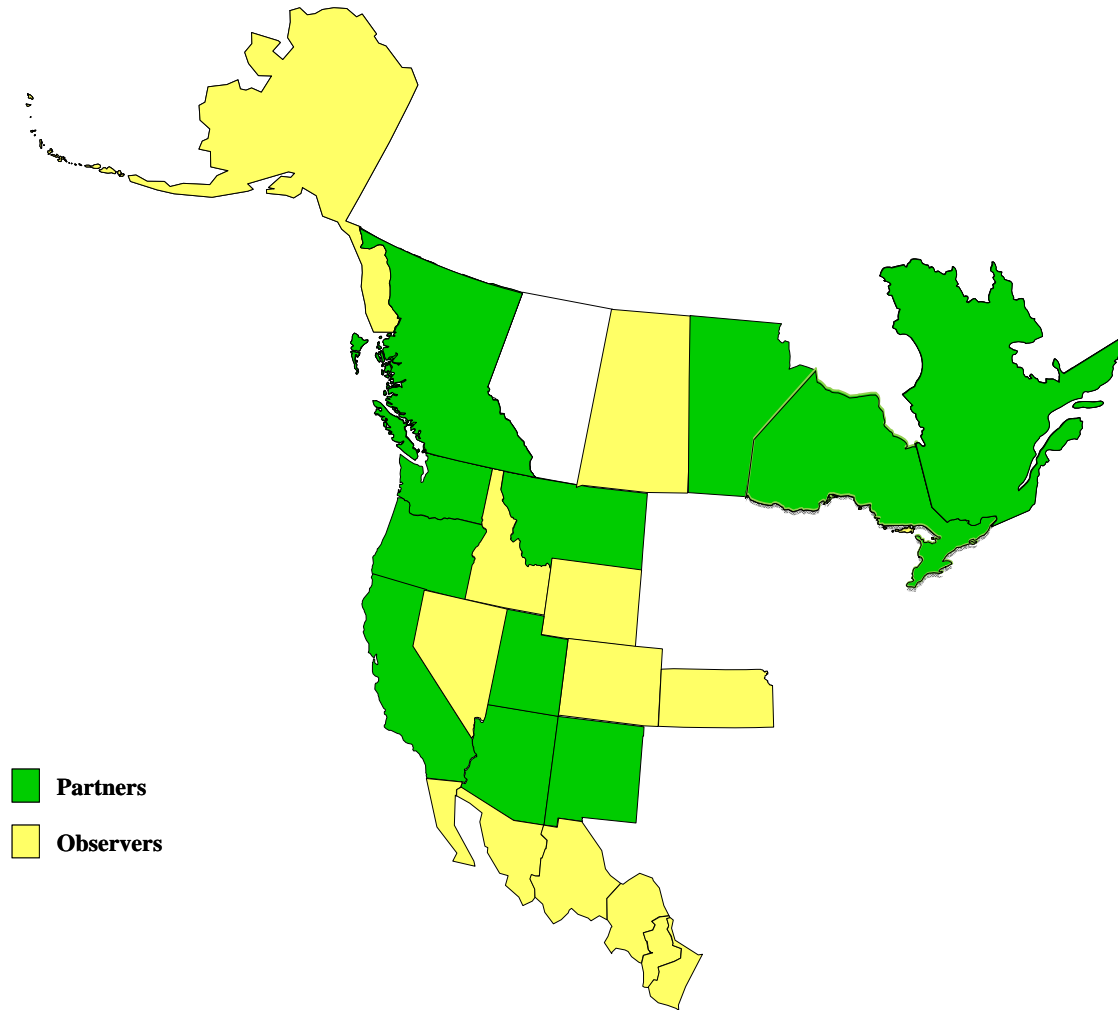
Oregon's Fish Consumption Rate- Revising Oregon's Water Quality Goals

- DEQ worked with Native American governments to revise water quality goals to reflect a daily fish consumption rate of 175 grams—10 times the former rate.
- New goals protective of people who eat fish.
- Stringency of the new water quality standards drives innovation: meaningful and cost-effective ways to reduce toxic pollutants.

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Climate Change: Western Climate Initiative



2012:



2015:



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Oregon's Air Toxics Benchmarks

- Develop Air Toxic “Benchmarks”:
 - “Acceptable” ambient concentration air toxics levels.
- Develop Measurable Goals – Strategic Planning
 - The air toxics benchmarks serve as measurable progress goals for Oregon's air toxics program.
- Oregon has set benchmarks for 51 air toxics

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Portland Air Toxics Solutions (PATS)

GOAL: Protect public health

DEQ is working with local communities to:

- Evaluate emissions, potential emission reductions, exposures and risks
- Create an emission reduction plan with **10-year goals**

Portland is the first community to create an individual air toxics reduction plan

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Oregon Clean Diesel Initiative

- Burn cleaner fuel
- Burn fuel cleaner
- Burn less fuel

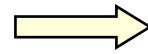
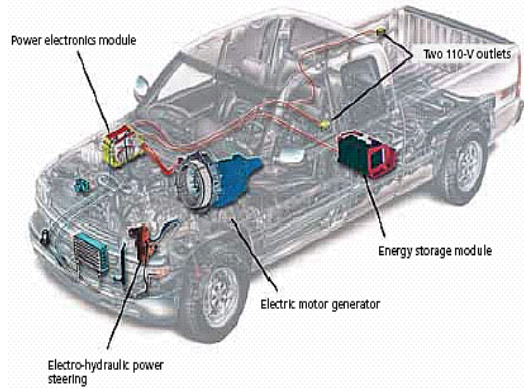


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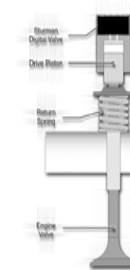
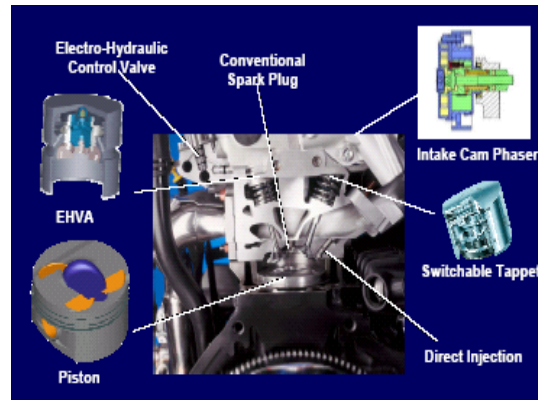


Oregon Low Emission Vehicles



Integrated Starter/Generator

2005 Chevrolet Silverado



Sturman camless valve actuation

AVL Homogeneous Combustion Compression Ignition

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Electric cars



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Transportation-Air Quality

Integrating transportation, land-use and air quality planning:

- Urban Growth Boundaries and compact urban design
- VMT/capita reduction goals
- Expansion of transit and other alternative modes
- Transportation control measures
- Air quality emission budgets





Urban Growth Boundary for Each City





Life Cycle Analyses

- U.S. has been slow to use LCA relative to Europe – but Oregon is an “early adopter”
- Uses by DEQ:
 - A “consumption-based” greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory
 - Evaluating greenhouse gas impacts
 - Educating businesses and consumers
 - Prioritizing efforts

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Oregon Bottle Bill



- In effect since 1972
- Water bottles added 2009
- Bottle bill container recycling rate: 83%
- Other beverage container recycling rate: 37%

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Portland recycling roll carts



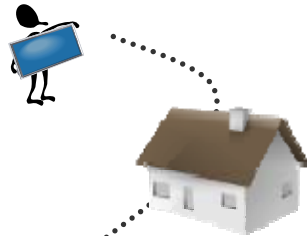
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Oregon's Electronics Recycling Program



CONSUMERS

- ✓ Reuse and recycle



RETAILERS

- ✓ Sell registered products
- ✓ Point of sale recycling info



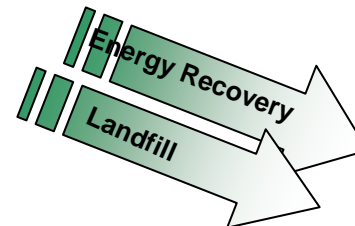
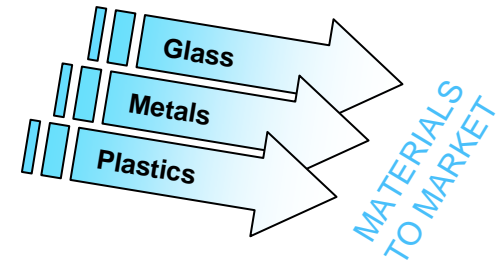
Collection Sites & Services

SITES & SERVICES

- ✓ Convenient
- ✓ Statewide
- ✓ All products
- ✓ Reuse options

RECYCLERS

- ✓ Manage safely
- ✓ Track downstream



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Environmental Trading

An Innovative Approach to Achieving
Environmental Improvements.

Trading has been used in the Tualatin basin in Oregon to offset the impact of point sources on temperature by planting trees along 35 miles of stream.



Butternut Creek 5 years after planting

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Green Buildings

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“Ecoroof” in Portland





Renewable Energy



Renewable Energy

- 25% of electricity by 2025 (not counting hydro)
- Renewable fuel standard of 10% ethanol
- 10% CO₂ reduction over 1990 levels by 2020
- 75% CO₂ reduction over 1990 levels by 2050



Oregon Energy

Now

- Coal-2%
- Natural gas-20%
- Oil-35%
- Nuclear-0%
- Hydro-34%
- Biomass-5%

Future

- Wind
- Solar
- Wave
- Biomass
- Hydro
- Natural gas



Oregon's
First Wave
Energy
Generator





We know the sustainable endpoint!

- Majority of populations will live in dense urban environments





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- Energy will primarily come from renewable sources- probably solar and wind.





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- Human transportation will occur primarily by walking, biking, buses and train travel.





We know the sustainable endpoint!

- Economies will focus on green jobs related to :
 - Sustainable food production
 - Non-carbon energy
 - Efficient capital use
 - Education for sustainability
 - Sustainable health care
 - Advanced communication
 - Sustainable transportation
 - Far less “stuff”





Unfortunately, we need to create the path to get to the end point and get there quickly!

