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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** September 27, 2022  
**TO:** Linn County Board of Commissioners  
**FROM:** Ryan Vogt, Executive Director  
**RE:** OCWCOG Linn County Updates

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### **Community and Economic Development Updates**

#### **Transportation**

##### Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO)

- Continued training of AAMPO's new Assistant Planner Billy McGregor.
- Completed Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Annual Report.
- Currently preparing the FY21-22 Civil Rights Act Title VI Accomplishment Report.
- Continued work on updating Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) project evaluation criteria and application for distribution of AAMPO's Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding.
- Continued progress on Regional Transportation Plan update.

##### Transportation & Transit Projects

###### Mobility Hub Design

- LBCC has revised their preferred design to one that will be more cost effective to construct. The LBCC hub will now have the same bus shelter design as the OSU hub, providing a shared identity for the two spaces.
- Additional funding is still needed to complete 60% design and is being requested from both the Linn and Benton County STIF reserve funds. We have revised the scope of this project to end at 60% design and will include the cost of completing full plans and estimates into future construction grant requests. This is a common approach for this type of project, and we feel it is the most pragmatic option to move forward. Our intent is to apply for STIF Discretionary funds this fall/winter to complete designs and construct the hubs.

###### Seamless Transit Experience

- Swiftly conducted an annual business review.

###### Cascades West Transportation Options

- Staff customized print materials for the upcoming Get There Challenge to feature sponsorship logos.

Linn, Benton, Lincoln County Human Services Coordinated Plan Update

- A training on transit funding was conducted for regional transit agencies by Mark Bernard, formerly of ODOT Public Transit Division.
- Updated demographics and existing conditions drafts were shared with the advisory committee on August 30<sup>th</sup> with initial strategies discussed.

Cascades West Training Center

- Between July and August, we conducted the following trainings:
  - 15 Non-emergent Medical Transport drivers were certified in Defensive Driving.
  - 14 were certified in Passenger Assistance, Safety, and Sensitivity.
  - 13 were certified in American Red Cross First Aid/CPR and Blood Borne Pathogens.

Cascades West Ride Line

July 2022 – August 2022

	<b>Trips</b> (Sedan, Wheelchair, Secure, Stretchers)	<b>Clients</b> (Unique members)	<b>Reimbursement</b> (Mileage, Meals, Lodging)	<b>Clients</b> (Unique members)
Linn County	13,576	1,476	4,669	248
<b>Regionally</b>	<b>22,823</b>	<b>2,546</b>	<b>7,561</b>	<b>443</b>

**Planning**

Cascades West Economic Development District (CWEDD)

- Continued convening Childcare Working Group for Linn, Benton, & Lincoln Counties and identified goals of the group:
  - Establish and maintain a regionally representative group.
  - Increase awareness around the economic costs of an inadequate childcare system.
  - Increase access to affordable care, and recruit and retain a diverse workforce.
- Rural Capacity Fund: began work with rural cities to identify projects and potential grants. Grant writing may be supplied if applicable.
- EDA Broadband Grant serving Linn, Benton, and Lincoln Counties selected Solarity as contractor to complete a regional broadband feasibility study. Work has begun and stakeholders are being identified in each county.
- The Community and Economic Development (CED) Team has completed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) grant. During the grant period, we created an opportunity for cities to apply for up to \$10,000 for resiliency and recovery projects. We provided 23 grants for a total of \$171,616. The grants renewed relationships with the COG as the cities learned how Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments (OCWCOG) may partner with them. The impacts felt through Benton, Lane, Lincoln, and Linn Counties were numerous. We heard from grateful communities who had city cleanups, beautification projects, and murals added to their downtowns. Others were able to prop up childcare, install a new financial system, and create an economic development plan. Our rural communities benefited from rebranding, a website, and marketing materials to draw people to their cities.

## Land Use & Planning Projects

- The Cascades West Regional Consortium is in the process of scheduling a half day meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 1pm that will include a presentation on the completed Wetland Mitigation Feasibility Study as well as presentations from Army Corps, Department of State Lands and Department of Environmental Quality.
- Wrapping up the Regional Housing Toolkit work and posting resources to the OCWCOG website.

## **Lending**

### Cascade West Business Lending

- Funded an \$80,000 Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) CARES loan to an automotive repair company in Albany.
- Currently working with four prospects on potential new loans, all four are food businesses.
- Developing a plan to increase accessibility to lending programs for the Spanish speaking community.

## **Senior, Disability and Community Services Updates**

### **Adult Protective Services**

#### Adult Foster Home (AFH) Numbers Dwindling

As part of our contractual obligations with Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS), OCWCOG is responsible for the licensing and oversight of AFHs operated in Linn County. Licensors monitor these small (less than 5 residents) home-like settings frequently, making sure they are following all rules and guidelines of the State. ODHS has overarching authority of AFH licensure and is responsible for imposing penalties and terminating licenses if a home is not compliant with State rules.

Adult Foster Homes are an integral part of Oregon's long term-care facility system, which has been a leader in the nation. Unfortunately, the number of homes serving older adults and people with disabilities has been decreasing in our communities over the last five years. The chart below shows the numbers of AFHs in Linn County and the loss of these facilities over the last few years.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Linn County</b>
2018	55
2020	37
2022	29

Many factors are potentially impacting AFH numbers in our communities.

- There is a growing cost of purchasing or renting property that is handicap accessible to meet the needs of those who need help with their activities of daily living, such as toileting and bathing.
- The long-term stress of COVID has negatively impacted care facility communities.

- There is a significant lack of workforce.
- The skill sets of being a sensitive and empathetic provider of hands-on care versus an astute business person who can manage house budgets, purchasing, and staffing plans can be difficult to find in one person.

In the short term, OCWCOG is trying to stabilize our current AFH providers to keep from losing more homes. This work includes providing coaching, mentoring, and technical assistance to AFH owners. Our longer-term goal is to start growing the number of homes in the three-county area. The development of a plan to reach that goal is still in the works but will include a vigorous marketing and outreach plan.

In the meantime, if you know community members who have the unique skill sets needed to be an AFH provider, please direct them to our agency. Most importantly, if you know people who work in or support one of the AFHs in our community, please thank them for the hard work they do and for being such an important resource in our community.

## **Community Services Programs**

### Meals on Wheels

- The OCWCOG Meals on Wheels Linn County sites received \$14,145 from the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program (EFSP) Phase 39 funding in support of its local meal sites.
- These EFSP dollars will be used to support homebound seniors served by OCWCOG Albany, Lebanon, Sweet Home, Brownsville, and Mill City sites during times of crisis (e.g. weather, fire, power outages, etc.) when delivery drivers are unable to complete their standard routes.
- Funds will be used to purchase shelf stable meals for the sites, which include breakfast items and an estimated 4-7 meals. We are thrilled to receive this funding ahead of the fall/winter season and are in need of drivers to help deploy shelf stable meals and maintain standard meal routes.

***Know of a recently retired family member or friend who has a few hours to volunteer? Please call OCWCOG staff at 541-368-7100 and sign up to volunteer for Meals on Wheels today! We are particularly in need of drivers in the Lebanon area.***

### Stand By Me

- The Stand By Me - Oregon Program continues to expand its services of financial coaching and goal-setting around budget creation, debt reduction, increased savings, and credit improvement.
- In 2021 the Program received funds from the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) to create a Latinx outreach plan, train its bilingual coaches on financial issues specifically affecting Latinx, and ensure that all coaching materials were translated in a colloquial and culturally sound way with Latino-based Spanish. Last month, the Program received another award from the same Foundation in the amount of \$32,400 to build upon the success of its 2021 project. The 2022 project aims to train and support new Spanish-speaking Latinx coaches. Preliminary plans are in place to expand coaches and offer counseling via Casa Latinos Unidos and local Universities and community colleges. We are thrilled to offer this service to local Latinx, build financial literacy, and increase economic resiliency in a post-COVID era.

### Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA)

The OCWCOG SHIBA Program continues to counsel local Linn County residents on Medicare benefits election through the use of certified SHIBA volunteers. In person counseling has resumed in Albany at the OCWCOG building, as well as the Elks in Sweet Home and the Lebanon Senior Center. From June 1- August 31, 2022 a total of 82 Linn County residents were counseled in the following areas:

- North Albany – 13
- Albany – 22
- Halsey - 1
- Lebanon – 28
- Scio – 4
- Sweet Home – 9
- Tangent – 3
- Harrisburg – 2

### Bias Response Feasibility Study

Research and discussions around the feasibility of a regional Bias Response System is in full swing with consultant Zilo International recently completing a series of community listening sessions late August. Sessions were held across the region and open forum style, engaging in Q&A with residents around bias experiences, knowledge of reporting resources available, identifying potential resource and knowledge gaps, and more.

Survey questions were created by a stakeholders' group which included:

- Zilo International, contractor (3-4 team members)
- David Collier, Human Resources, Lincoln County
- Marcia Harnden, Police Chief, City of Albany
- Joe Hahn, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Program Coordinator Benton County
- Fay Stetz-Waters, Civil Rights Director at Oregon Department of Justice

At each focus group, participants received a \$50 Visa gift card and were served lunch or dinner. Host sites included:

- Lincoln County School District Teaching and Learning Center
- Center for Health Education-Newport
- Philomath Public Library
- Albany Public Library
- Corvallis C3 Center
- James Gang Pizza in Lebanon.

A total of 60 participants attended the local focus events, with simultaneous Spanish interpretation requested and available at both the Albany Public Library and Newport events. An elected officials survey presenting research highlights and possible solutions will be sent to you later this month, with a Virtual Summit tentatively scheduled for late October/early November.



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## REPORT TO COMMISSIONERS

### Update for August 2022

*Submitted by Torri Lynn; Juvenile Department Director*

### **Detention**

**Benton:** 4 youth were held for 15 total of days of care, 3 females and 1 male.

Total Admissions to Detention = 4

Average Length of Stay = 3.75 days

Average Daily Population = 0.48 youth

**Linn:** 12 youth were held for 150 total of days of care, 4 females and 8 males.

Total Admissions to Detention = 12

Average Length of Stay = 12.50 days

Average Daily Population = 4.84 youth

**Lincoln** 2 youth were held for 34 total days of care, 0 females and 2 males

Total Admissions to Detention = 2

Average Length of Stay = 17.00 days

Average Daily Population = 1.10 youth

**Time for Change Program: 0**

### **Probation**

The Juvenile Department received 50 referrals during the month of August 2022.

Of the 50 referrals, 4 represent dependency, 23 status and 23 criminal.

There are currently 186 youth in the Probation Unit either on probation or pending court with 46 of those being assessed high-risk.

There are currently 68 youth under the Community Programs Unit serving on informal probation and the Intervention Specialist is currently serving 18 youth. 13 of those youth are from the community with no involvement with law enforcement.

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Victim Advocate is serving 73.

Cases Unassigned: 12

OYA Cases: 62

### **Work Crew**

Tier 1 – 4 youth completed 59.25 hours of community service in 7 project days. In 2021 3 youth completed 49.50 hours of service during the same time period.

Tier 2 – 17 youth completed 410.00 hours of work crew in 17 project days. In 2021 12 youth completed 25.25 hours of service during the same time period.

### **Miscellaneous Business -**

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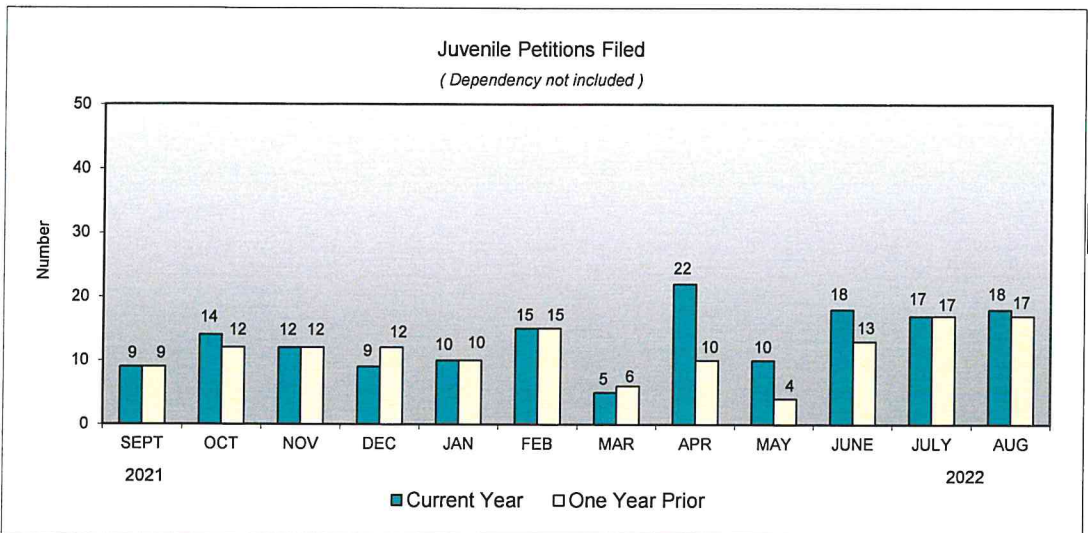
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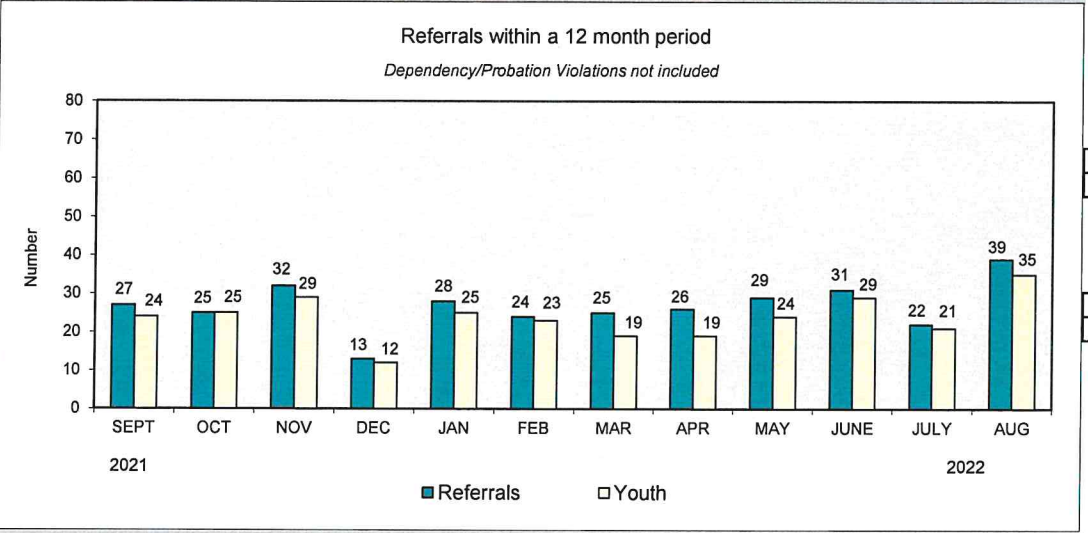
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**AUGUST 2022 Statistics**

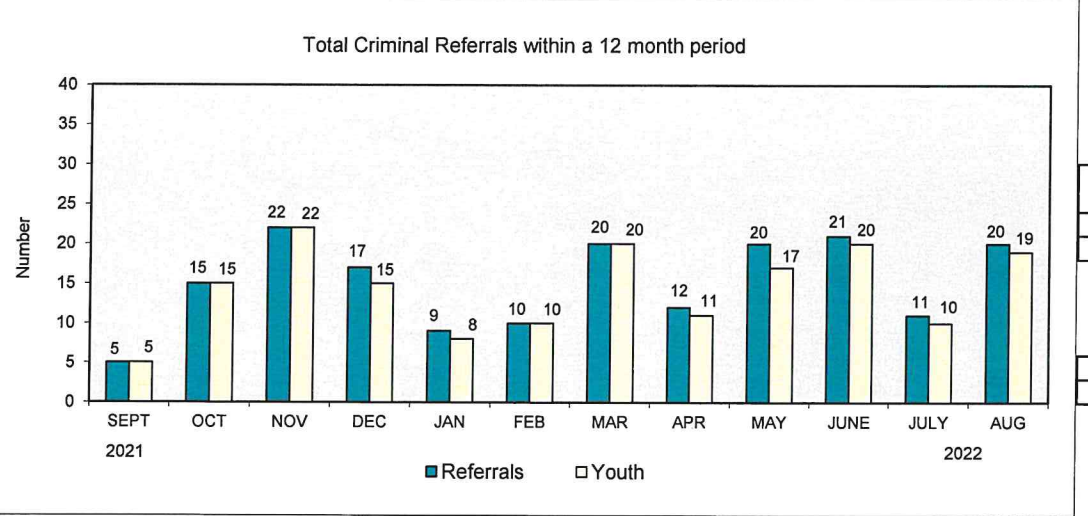


PETITIONS	
Current	159
Last	137
Difference	22



REFERRALS	
Current	321
Last	234
Difference	87

YOUTH	
Current	285
Last	213
Difference	72



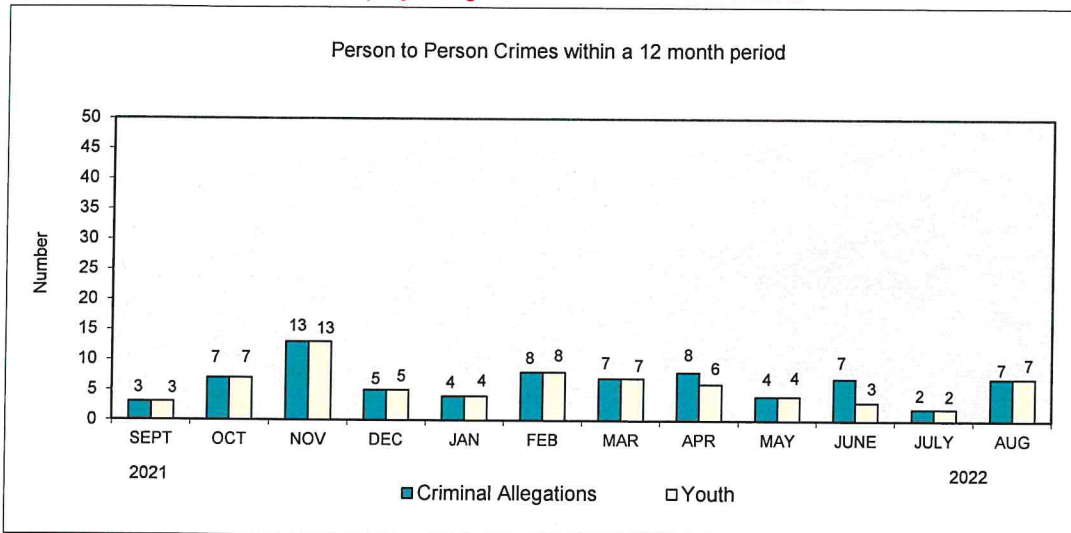
CRIMINAL REFERRALS	
Current	182
Last	133
Difference	49

YOUTH	
Current	172
Last	118
Difference	54



Linn County Juvenile Department  
**AUGUST 2022 Statistics**

**Note: Person, Property & Drug Crimes are at the ALLEGATION level.**

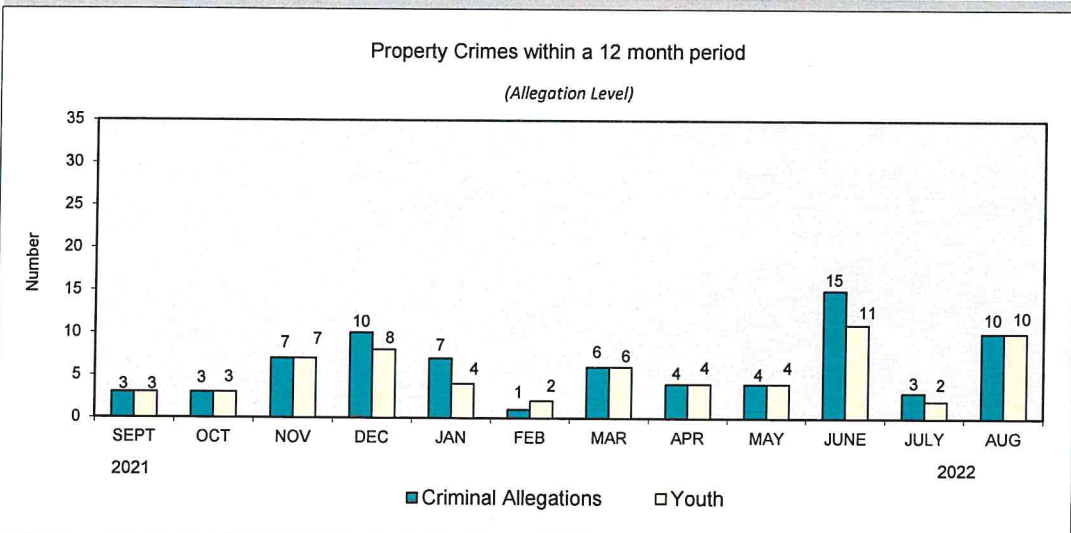


**CRIMES**

Current	75
Last	62
Difference	13

**YOUTH**

Current	69
Last	52
Difference	17

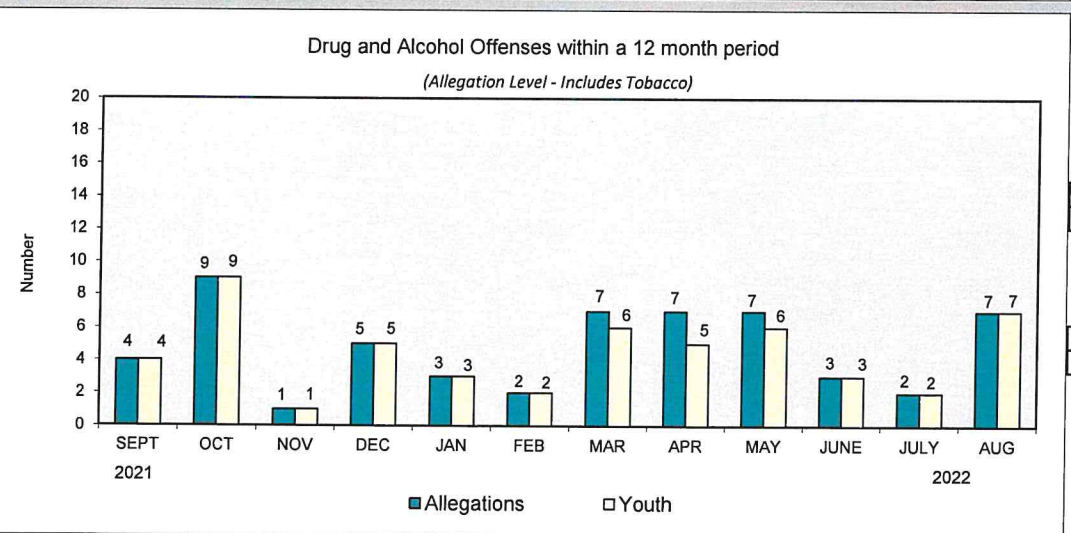


**CRIMES**

Current	73
Last	34
Difference	39

**YOUTH**

Current	64
Last	33
Difference	31



**CRIMES**

Current	57
Last	57
Difference	0

**YOUTH**

Current	53
Last	55
Difference	-2



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**Resolution and Order No. 2022-351**  
**An Intergovernmental Agreement for Transition Services Between**  
**Greater Albany Public Schools District 8J and Linn County**

**Contract Amount - \$149,558.00**

RO 2022-351 is an agreement between GAPS and Linn County Juvenile Department from a total contract amount of \$149,588.00 for fiscal year 2022-23. This contract money comes from Federal Title 1D monies which GAPS receives as a result of the Linn Benton Juvenile Detention Center and Jackson Street Youth Shelter – Albany House being located within their district. Based on our partnership, GAPS has agreed to pass this funding stream back to the Juvenile Department to support services at the detention center and youth shelter.

Some of the services provided are; Transition Program Specialist, Horticulturalist, JDEP Classroom Assistant, Tutoring at the Albany House Shelter, A Summer Education Program at the Shelter and Transportation Support at the Shelter for Youth to be Transported Back to Their Community School.

Linn County is the only county in Oregon and only facility out of the 11 detention centers operated by county juvenile departments in the State to receive 100% of the Title 1D funds to support their detention center. This speaks very highly to the partnership between GAPS and Linn County Juvenile Department in our effort to serve this highly vulnerable population.

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TO: Board of Commissioners  
FROM: Gene Karandy, Linn County Attorney  
DATE: September 27, 2022  
RE: 2022-324

The following items are scheduled to be heard on September 27, 2022.

Resolution 2022-324: Amends the Linn County Personnel Policy (Policy 20) to make housekeeping changes, incorporates the recent additions to the SEIU Collective Bargaining Agreement and extends those changes to non-represented employees (consistent with the Board's past practice), and clarifies and establishes additional grounds for employee discipline.

Pursuant to LLC 310.500 the amendments were distributed to elected officials and department heads September 12, 2022 for review and comments at least two weeks before Board consideration of the amendments.

Financial Impact: Expected minimal increase in personnel costs related to incorporated SEIU CBA changes.

Staff Recommendation: Approve



## LINN COUNTY PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Steve Wills, Director

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**TO:** Linn County Board of Commissioners (Board)  
**FROM:** Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager  
**DATE:** September 27, 2022  
**RE:** Resolution & Order No. 2022-325 and Ordinance 2022-326

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The following item is scheduled to be signed by the Board on September 27, 2022:

**Resolution & Order No. 2022-325 and Ordinance 2022-326** – PLN-2022-00455; Application by Darren Cox for a Code Text amendment to Linn County Code (LCC) Section 929.320(B) [Limited Industrial (LI) uses permitted through a Type IIA conditional use review] to add "Home occupations, subject to LCC 932.830 to 932.845" as Type IIA conditional use.

The Board conducted a duly noticed public hearing on this matter and voted 3-0 to approve the application.

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To: Board of Commissioners  
From: Linn County Treasurer/Budget Officer  
Date: September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
**Re: Order # 2022-344**

Order #2022-344 is a request from Ted Langley asking us to move money from contingency to materials & services for the purchase of equipment for the jail central control and briefing room.

Financial Impact. There is no financial impact.

**Re: Order # 2022-358**

Order #2022-358 is a request from Sandy Timm and Wayne Mink from the Road Department. They are in need of money covering their Materials & Services for their Special Operations Department. They are getting close to being spent for this department.

Financial Impact. There is no financial impact.

**Re: Order # 2022-359**

Order #2022-35 is a request from Dee Bailey as the Oregon Department of Veterans wants her budget to reflect the correct amount that was put into her beginning balance. This will make her budget reflect what is in the account to be spent.

Financial Impact. There is no financial impact.

**Re: Order # 2022-360**

Order #2022-359 is a request from Steve Braaten from I.T. This was an increase for his budget that should have been included in his budget for the Microcomputer Support Specialist he asked for during his presentation.

Financial Impact. There is no financial impact.

# USACE COMPLIANCE WITH INJUNCTIVE ORDER – AFFECTS ON FOSTER & GREEN PETER LINN COMMISSIONERS’ BRIEF

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Operations Project Manager  
Willamette Valley & Rogue Basin Projects

27 Sept 2022



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# AGENDA

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- Review agenda
- Overview of injunction measures
- Injunction measures that impact water levels at Foster and Green Peter
- Potential recreation, cultural, and environmental considerations we are tracking
- Q &A; Discuss potential strategies to mitigate impacts (i.e. communications, regulations, etc.)
- Review action items and path forward

# INJUNCTIVE ORDER



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- In September 2021, the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon issued an interim injunction that requires the Corps to undertake specific actions to improve fish passage and water quality at several Willamette Valley Project dams for the benefit of ESA listed salmonids.
- The Corps is working in coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bonneville Power Administration, and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to implement the injunction measures.
- In fall 2021, the Corps began implementing some of these measures, including spill operations at Foster in the fall and spill operations at both Foster and Green Peter in spring 2022.
- A deep drawdown of Green Peter Reservoir will be implemented in fall/winter 2023.



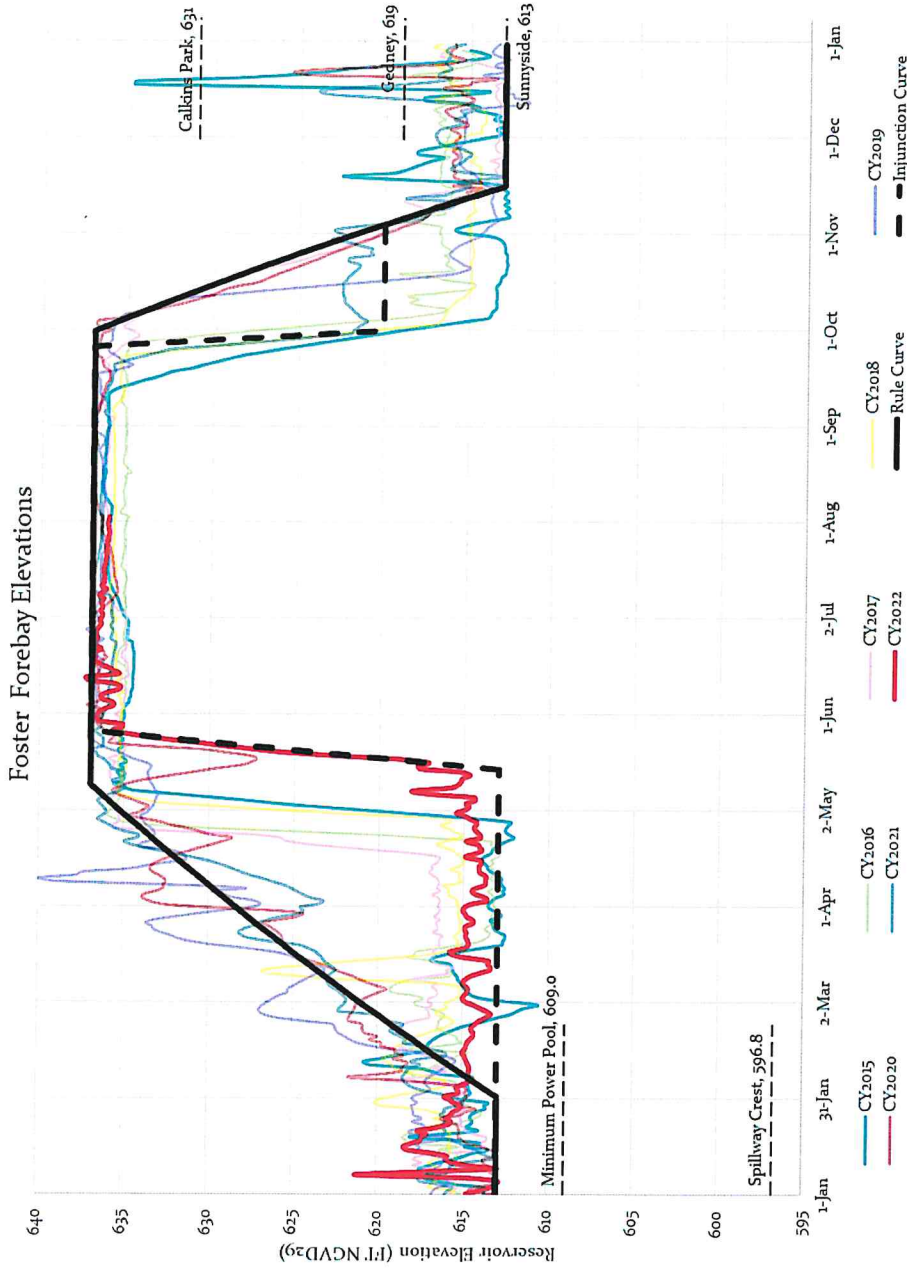
# INJUNCTIVE MEASURES

- Complete reinitiated ESA consultation and issue a new BiOp by December 31, 2024
- Operational measures to improve fish passage and water quality
  - Some recommended by Court-ordered "Expert Panel"
  - Expert Panel has submitted all its implementation plans/recommendations to the Court
- Outplant adult spring Chinook salmon above Green Peter Dam
- Structural Measures
  - Dexter Adult Fish Collection Facility upgrades for improved adult holding and transport
  - Structural improvement for mitigating total dissolved gas (TDG) below Big Cliff Dam
  - Cougar Dam regulating outlet (RO) channel resurfacing and improvements for safer fish passage and reduced TDG
- Research, Monitoring, & Evaluation
- Follow established maintenance outage schedules and emergency protocols
- Provide biannual status reports detailing progress and compliance with the injunction measures



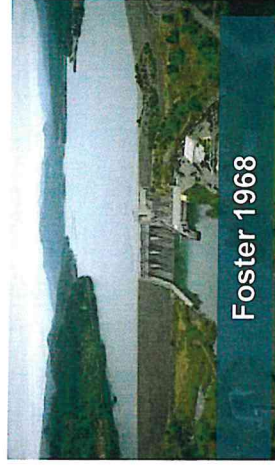
# FOSTER

## DELAYED SPRING REFILL AND EARLY DRAWDOWN

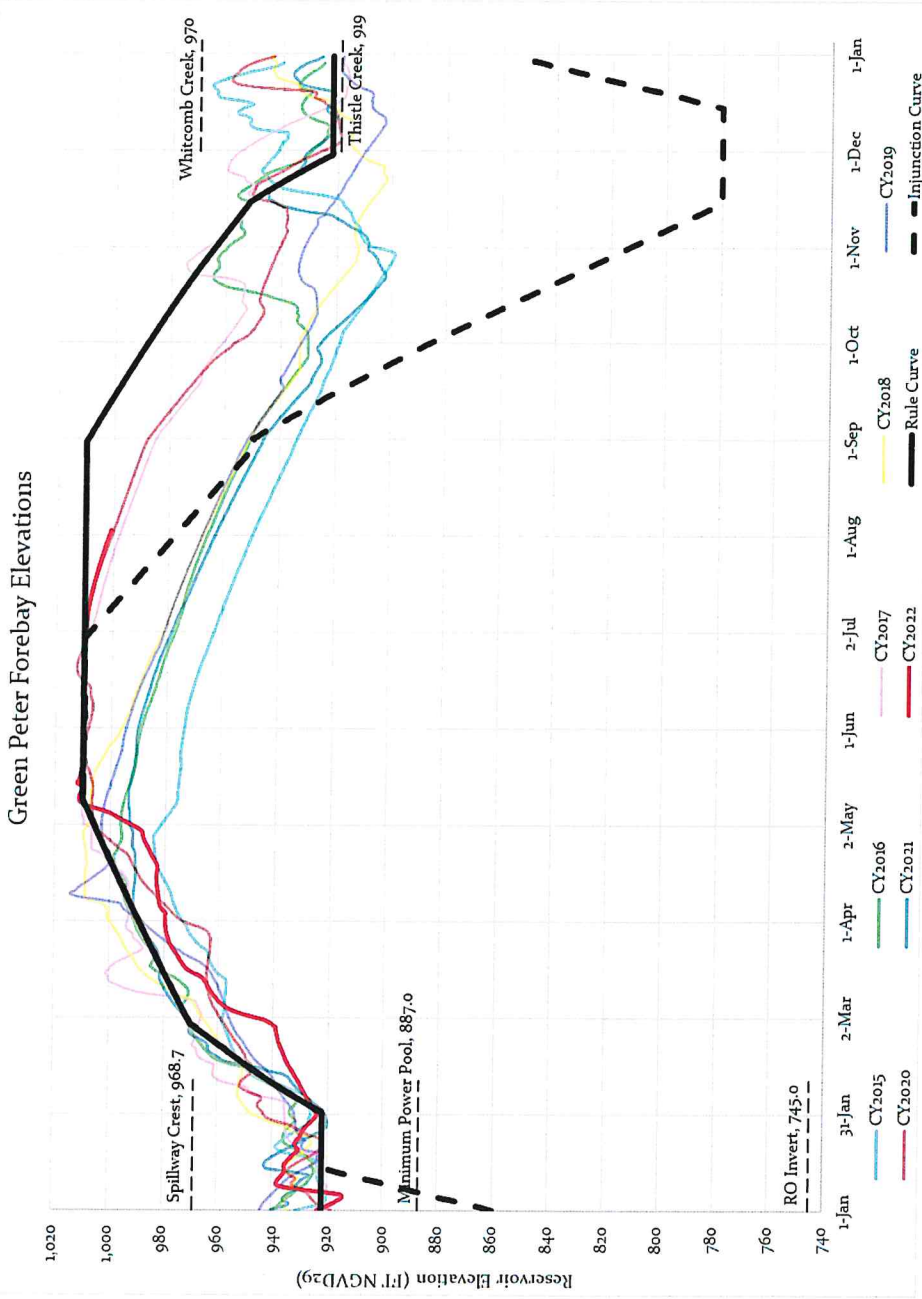


### South Santiam

- Foster spring delayed refill and spill for downstream fish passage
- Foster fall spill for downstream fish passage

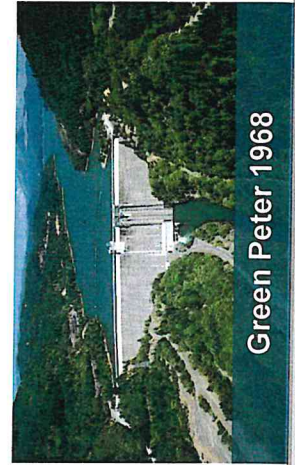


# GREEN PETER SPRING SPILL AND FALL DRAWDOWN

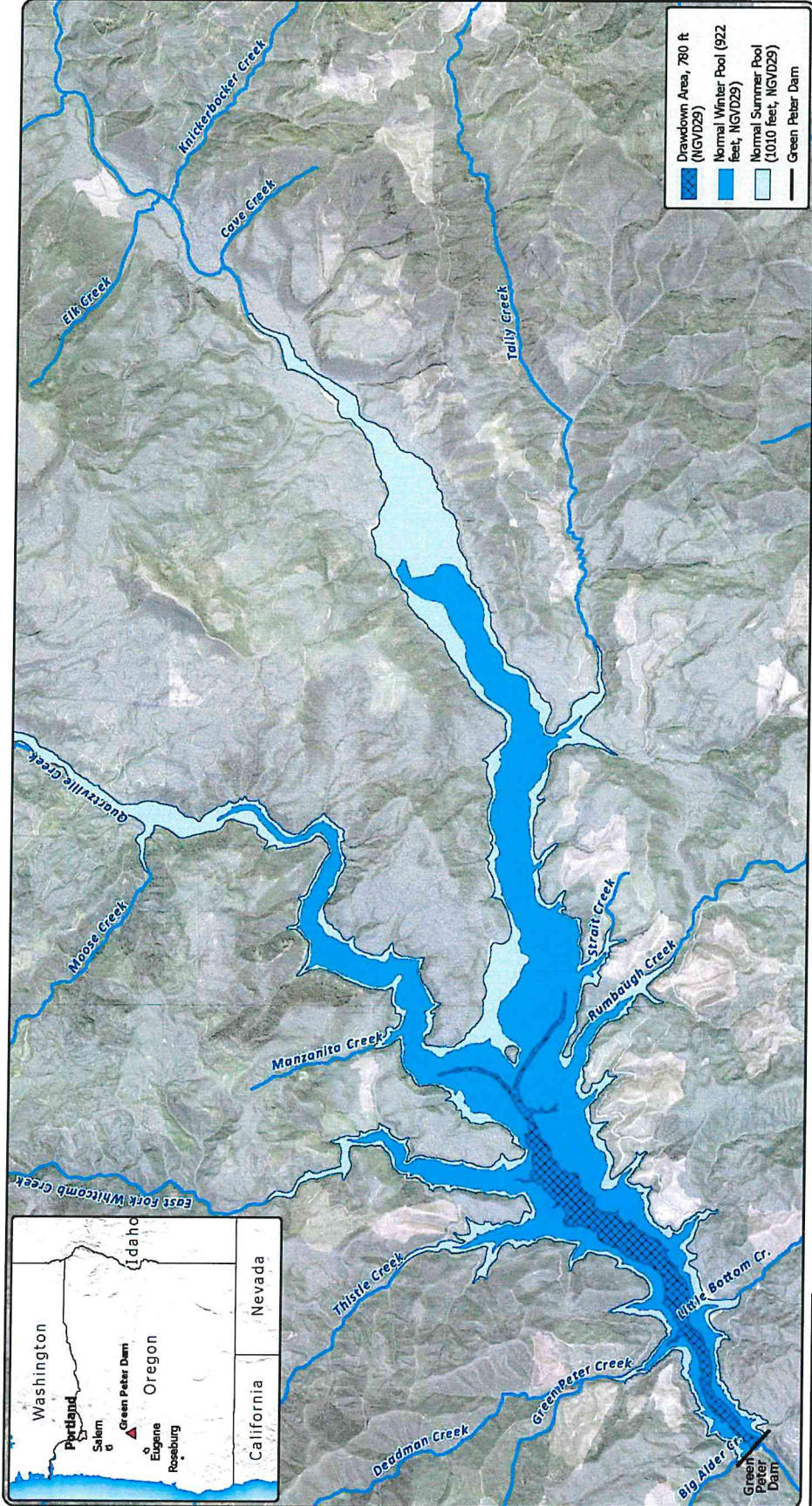


## South Santiam

- Green Peter spring spill for downstream fish passage
- Green Peter fall deep drawdown for downstream fish passage through ROs (Fall '23)



Green Peter 1968



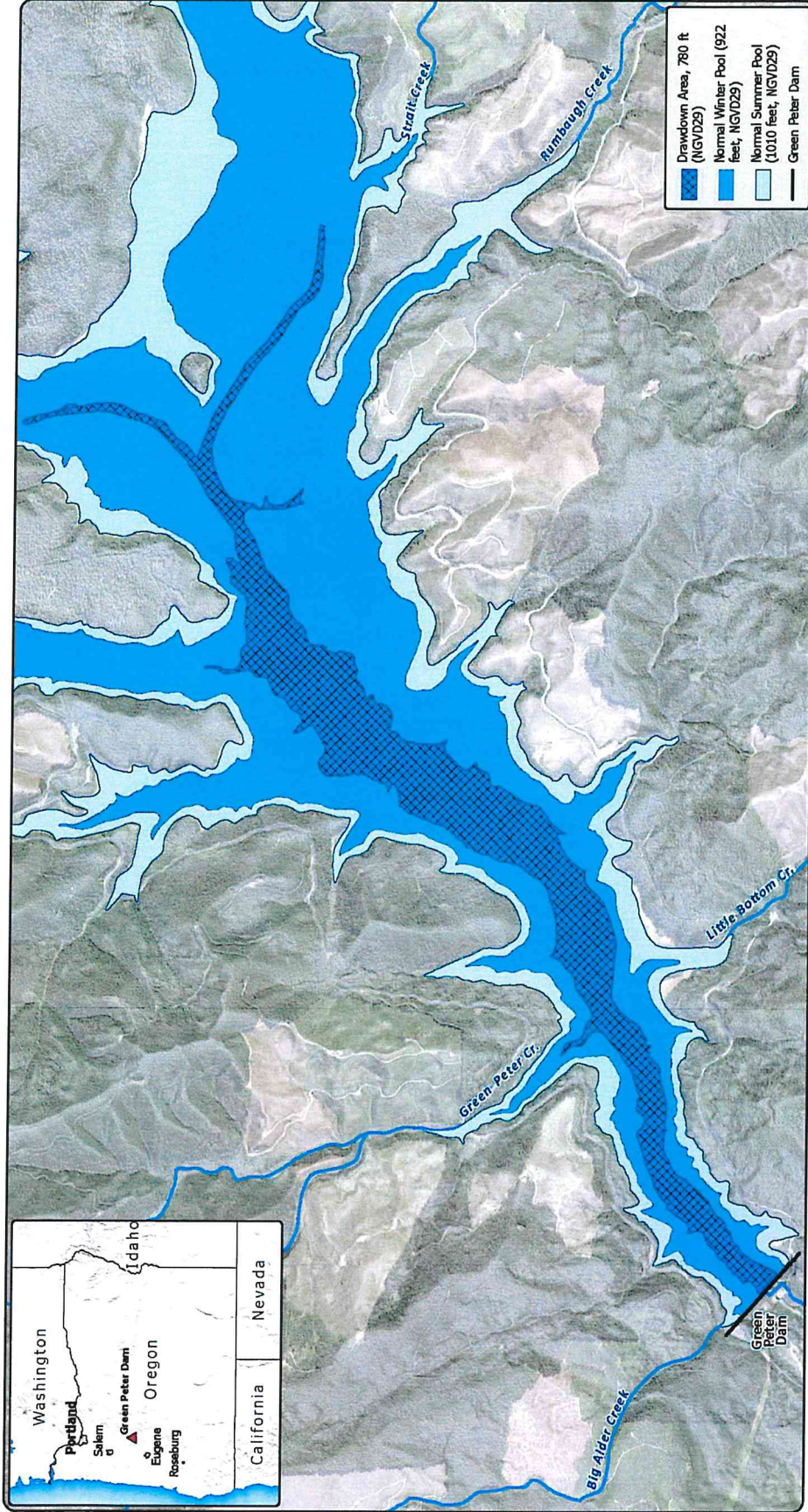
# Green Peter Lake Deep Drawdown to 780 Feet (NGVD29)



Service Layer Credits: OSP 2018 SL; Oregon Statewide Imagery Program (OSP) - Oregon Imagery Framework Implementation Team  
 World Topographic Map: County of Cook, Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, EPA  
 World Hillshade: Esri, NOAA, USGS  
 World Hillshade: Esri, USGS

0.00 2,500.00 5,000.00 Feet

Produced by GIS, CAD, Mapping and Central Files Section  
 Produced on: 7/19/2022  
 Imagery: Oregon State Imagery Program, 2018  
 Bathymetry is from Pre-Dam Topographic Mapping dated 1957/1958.



Service Layer Credits: OSP 2018 St. Oregon Statewide Imagery Program (OSP) - Oregon Imagery Framework Implementation Team  
 World Topographic Map: County of Crook, Eri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, EPA  
 World Hillshade: Eri, NASA, NGA, USGS, FEMA  
 World Hillshade: Eri, USGS

Produced by GIS, CAD, Mapping and Central Files Section  
 Imagery: Oregon State Imagery Program, 2018  
 Bathymetry is from Pre-Dam Topographic Mapping dated 1957/1958.



## Green Peter Lake Deep Drawdown to 780 Feet (NGVD29)



## RECREATION CONSIDERATIONS

- Lake use/access where levels are outside the norm (elevation or season)
- Recreational user shift due to low water
- Public safety around dam infrastructure and in exposed lakebed
- Need for gates, rocks or other barriers to restrict off-road vehicle use in the exposed lakebeds



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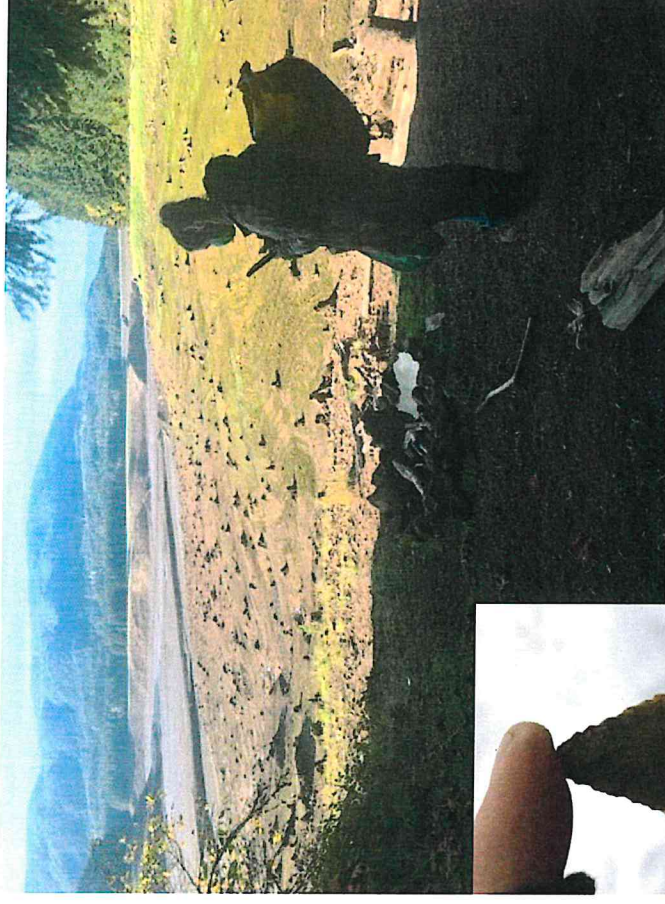
# CULTURAL RESOURCES CONSIDERATIONS



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- Deter illegal looting during deep draw downs and low summer pools
- Increase signs about federal laws
- Conduct education and outreach to local communities, schools, and recreational user groups
- Train enforcement personnel
- Assess cultural site damages from violations
- Surveys and monitor to quantify negative impacts to archeological resources from erosion and sedimentation
- Acquire aerial imagery and elevation/ bathymetry data to understand sediment movement



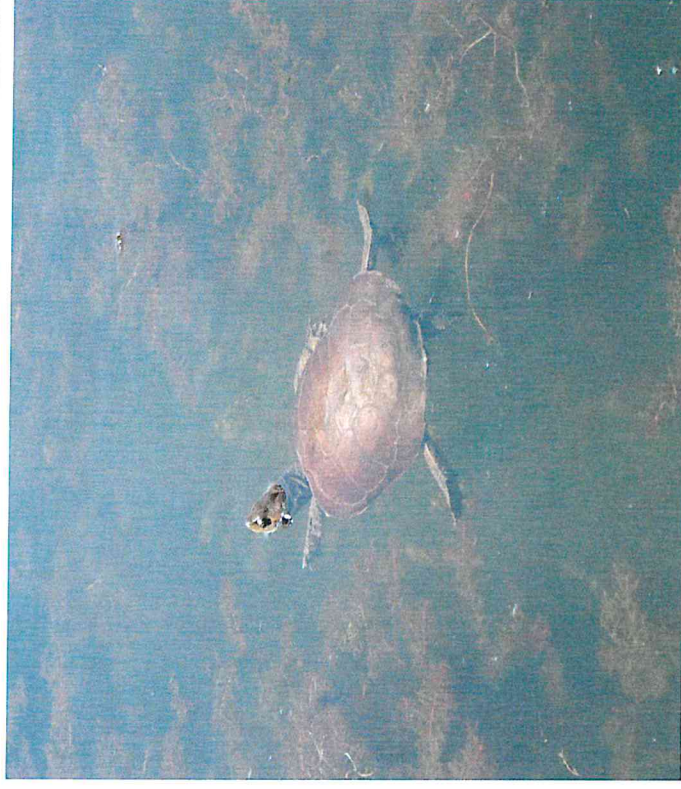
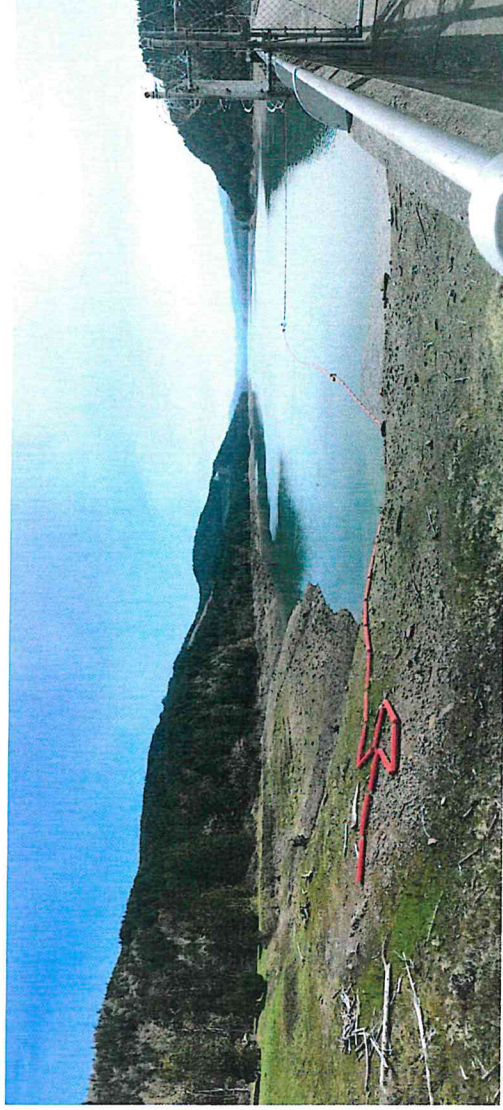
# ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS



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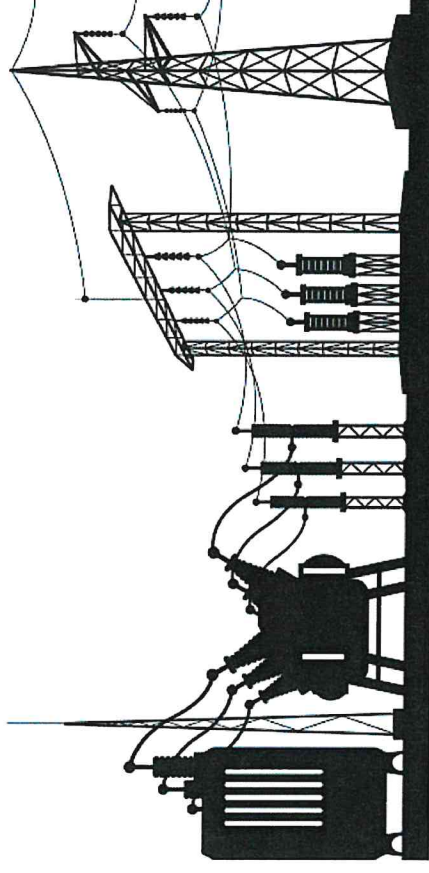
- Monitor sensitive aquatic species, including federally petitioned Northwestern pond turtles
- Understand vegetative changes in drawdown zone
- Monitor and treat invasive species to avoid negative impacts to adjacent upland restoration sites





# POWER DISTRIBUTION AND STABILITY

- Hydroelectric power will not be generated when Green Peter Reservoir approaches elevation 887' and below
- Community concerns were expressed around stability of the electrical distribution system without Green Peter generation (Oct – Jan)
- USACE is coordinating implementation of the injunction operation with BPA
- Communication around line outages between utilities is critical during this time.
- BPA is improving Foster Switchyard to facilitate stability for line to Green Peter



# FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION

<https://www.nwp.usace.army.mil/Locations/Willamette-Valley/Injunction/>



# QUESTIONS?



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