Q. Why is everyone talking about water?

A. Local, state, and national news media are filled with stories about water, from drought and scarcity to flooding and pollution.

Oregon's east side receives very little rain, and in the summer months, the whole state is hot and dry. Groundwater levels are declining in many places; many of our water bodies have impaired water quality; and fish and their habitat are not as healthy as they used to be. Demands for all types of water use continue to change.

These challenges, along with those posed by climate change, population growth, and land-use change, highlight the urgency for a state-wide strategy that meets Oregon's water needs.

Oregon's natural resource and economic development agencies are now developing Oregon's first Integrated Water Resources Strategy and invite you to a open house in Bandon to share your concerns and priorities for Oregon's water future.



Bandon Open House Thursday, April 22, 2010 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Conference and Community Center, "The Barn" 1200 11th Street SW, Bandon, OR 97411

Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day!

- Project Overview, followed by Discussions Program begins at 4:00 and again at 5:30
- Map Gallery
 Challenges & opportunities for our water resources
- Project Showcase
 Local water resource partnerships and projects
- Kids' Center
 Water-related word find, coloring, and more



Thank you to our local open house partners!

Coos Soil and Water Conservation District



Siuslaw Estuary Partnership



Lead Agencies:

Oregon Water Resources Department Department of Environmental Quality Department of Fish and Wildlife Department of Agriculture

State of Oregon Partners:

Oregon Business Development Dept. Department of Energy Department of Forestry Dept. of Geology & Mineral Industries Dept. of Housing & Comm. Services Dept. of Human Services Dept. of Land Conservation & Development **Department of State Lands Department of Transportation** Parks & Recreation Department Watershed Enhancement Board The Governor's Office

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From Hwy 101

- Turn west onto 11th Street SW
- Continue on 11th Street for 6-7 blocks
- Turn into the parking lot at Bandon City Park
- The Barn is the first of three buildings in the area



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