



Meeting at:
Comfort Suites, Oregon room
630 Hawthorne Avenue SE, Salem, Oregon
June 12 & 13, 2007

Minutes

Attendance

Council Members

Present-

Dan Hilburn
Dave Bridgewater
Mandy Tu
Samuel Chan
Don Farrar
Chris Gunterman
Randy Henry
Martin Nugent
Mark Sytsma
Mark Wiegardt

Absent-

Meredith Savage
Bill Reynolds

Others-

Tristen Berg, ODA
Robyn Draheim, PSU
Paul Heimowitz, USF&WS
Steve Buttrick, TNC
Shannon Brubaker, ODA
Vern Holmes, NW Weed Management Partnership
William Key, ODOT
Hal Broughton, Private Citizen
Chris Maguire, ODOT
Erin Peters, SOLV

Jim Gores, ODFW
Brad Knotts, ODF
Mike Dennis, TNC
Mitch Nelson, USDA
Tim Butler, ODA
Martin Myer, ODFW
Glenn Dolphin, OSMB
Kathleen Johnson, ODA
Nancy Osterbauer, ODA

Tuesday, June 12, 2007

Introductions

Introductions from the Oregon Invasive Species Council (OISC) and attendees were made.

Approval of Minutes from February 14 - 15, 2007, meeting

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with no changes.

Budget and Expenses

Tristen Berg gave an update on the budget. Total expenditures since 2002 in general funds are \$32,024.55, while the trust account balance is \$1,521.75. Total remaining in General Fund is \$2,774.66.

It was moved and seconded to approve the budget as presented.

MEMBER UPDATES

USDA-Forest Service – Dave Bridgewater

The Forest Service has been working with Oregon Sea Grant to develop a field guide for use during stream surveys to identify aquatic nuisance species and their spread.

Forest Health Protection is cost sharing up to \$400,000 with Oregon Department of Forestry for Sudden Oak Death survey and eradication. They are providing an additional \$170,000 for OSU SOD research, diagnostic services and public education.

In April, Linda Goodman, the Regional Forester in the PNW published a decision that legally closes all designated wilderness to the use of animal feed other than pelletized feed or state certified weed seed free hay products. This ban will apply to all National Forest Lands starting January 1, 2009. Also this month, Linda set a policy goal for all Northwest Forests of “No Net Increase in Invasive Weed Spread”

Forest Health Protection will cost share \$190,000 with ODA for invasive weed treatments on state and private lands. Additionally, ODA receives \$50,000 to conduct key invasive weed vector treatment on or directly adjacent to national forest lands.

Oregon Marine Board – Randy Henry

The Oregon State Marine Board has worked cooperatively with a number of state and federal agencies to prevent invasive species introductions and further educate people about their risk. The agency focuses primarily on issues related to water and boating. Most effort this spring initially related to HB 3435 which would have prohibited people from launching a boat with aquatic species attached to the hull or trailer, or any listed invasive plant or animal species within the hull, bilge or live well. Despite efforts to coordinate with other state agencies and private entities, the bill died in committee because it was seen as too aggressive and costly to law enforcement.

In lieu of that bill, we've continued to push the "Never Launch a Dirty Boat" message through our Underway newsletter, news release and website. Underway goes to every registered boat owner in the state. The news release was reviewed by ODFW and was released May 9 after Washington Dept. of Fish & Wildlife interdicted a houseboat being towed up I-5 with zebra mussels aboard. Additional articles are being included in newsletters mailed to law enforcement partners, guides and packers, boating facility providers and registration agents. OSMB's Clean Marina program is providing Aquatic Nuisance Species signage to marinas and is finding strong interest in invasive species prevention. Expect this partnership to increase in the coming year.

OSMB is working with ODFW and PSU to develop and implement watercraft inspection training/invasive species training in Oregon. The first "class" was taught at ODFW's Roseburg office to USFS, ODFW and DEQ staff who work in the Diamond Lake area. The goal was to provide information on aquatic invasive species threats in Oregon, current prevention efforts, and how to inspect a watercraft for invasive species. OSMB developed a draft survey form which Randy used at Diamond Lake on the first open day of fishing. A second training day is scheduled for June 1 at Diamond Lake to involve Diamond Lake Lodge staff, summer cabin homeowners, volunteers, USFS and ODFW staff.

ODFW, PSU and OSMB is also jointly planning a First Responder training session July 24 in Salem in cooperation with PSMFC's Bill Zook. They will work to get key ODFW biologists, OSP game officers and county marine officers to attend. Additional training may be scheduled around the state as necessary.

OSMB is also working with ODFW on a quagga/zebra mussel outreach plan that will include a flyer / handout / high way signage, etc in key areas of the state. We'll be talking with ODOT about appropriate border signage and perhaps some more detailed informational signs at rest areas in strategic locations. We will gather information on self-serve car washes that could serve as boat wash stations for boaters coming to or returning to the state who might have invasive species concerns.

OSMB has worked closely with ODFW on placement and use of a pressure washer at Diamond Lake should any infested boats be discovered during watercraft inspections. In addition, OSMB provided a decontamination kit to the USFS that could be used to flush out a boat's cooling system / motor should it be found to be infested.

Oregon Dept. Of Agriculture – Dan Hilburn

Eradication spraying for Patterson's curse took place this spring in Linn and Douglas Co. This weed was first detected in 2003 and steady progress has been made toward reducing populations at both known sites.

Annual nursery *P. ramorum* (SOD) certification is underway with approximately 30% of nurseries having already been completed by mid-May. So far, infected plants have been found at only one nursery. Eradication is underway. In addition to the annual certification survey, two additional *P. ramorum* surveys are planned this year at nurseries growing high-risk plant material (Camellias and Rhododendrons). Eradication efforts in Curry Co. have greatly slowed the spread of the disease in the infected woodlands, but not stopped it. A new infection site was found this spring a mile north of the quarantine boundary.

Exotic wood borer delimitation and detection surveys started in March in The Dalles. Granulate ambrosia beetle is the main target. Eradicative treatments have been applied on and around the RR tie plant the past two years.

Asian gypsy moth and North American gypsy moth eradication programs took place this spring. Three applications (about two weeks apart) of *Bacillus thuringiensis* var *kurstaki* to eradication areas of 640 acres in St. Helen and 533 acres in Bend began in April and finished in May.

Planning is underway for our summer survey and detection programs. Target insects this year will include: Asian gypsy moth and gypsy moth, nun moth, rosy gypsy moth and Siberian moth, apple clearwing moth, light brown apple moth, apple leaf miner, and Sirex woodwasp. There may also be a survey for scale and other exotic woody ornamental pests.

For the first year on over 20 years the state will be without general Japanese detection program; current available funds are necessarily focused on delimitation and eradication efforts at already known catch sites in Portland (Multnomah County) and in Silverton (Marion County).

Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife– Martin Nugent

In the past few months ODFW has dealt with a variety of issues. In April, Jim put together and moderated an Invasive Species Workshop in association with The Wildlife Society at their annual meeting in Pendleton, OR. The workshop had over 50 participants and seemed to be very well received.

On May 8th, an ODFW District Fish Biologist (Dan Vandyke) spotted a house boat from Missouri traveling north on I-5. After doing some initial investigating, Dan called Jim and reported the boat. Since the boat's final destination was Vancouver, B.C., and OSP and Oregon did not have official protocols set up to pull over this type of vessel, Jim called Washington State to report the boat. The boat was detained at a weigh station in Richfield, WA and found to have zebra mussels. Some very positive media attention resulted from the discovery.

ODFW hosted a Feral Swine Subcommittee meeting on May 30th. Ten people representing ODFW, ODA, PSU, USDA-Wildlife Services, USFS, and Wasco and Sherman County SWCD's attended the meeting. Next steps on funding feral swine control and eradication were discussed and it was decided that the group would begin lobbying OWEB to begin funding feral swine projects. Due to the interest beyond the scope of the OISC, the group decided to morph into what will now be called the Feral Swine Working Group. With this change in the group, 7 new members have already joined since our meeting.

ODFW has been working on a host of legislative issues. One of the greater successes we saw was the passing of SB 804, which will allow the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission to define what is meant by "wild" mammals and birds in our statutes. This piece of legislation was critical due to a recent Supreme Court decision which put ODFW on very shaky ground when it came to regulating non-native mammals and birds.

ODFW continues to do occasional pet shop checks and deal with a variety of issues related to invasive species masquerading as pets. Mute swans were a difficult one over the past month, along with red-eared slider turtles, crayfish and pacu. ODFW also continues to collaborate with OSMB and PSU on ANS trainings around the state, with a large training planned for July 24th in Salem that should include OSP troopers.

The Nature Conservancy- Mandy Tu

Early Detection/Rapid Response Invasive Plant Networks – We are working on developing early detection networks for invasive plants with several local CWMA's in western Oregon. What this involves is identifying those weeds that are not yet present or only present in small infestations, identifying and confirming a reporting pathway, training staff and volunteers to look for these new infestations in selected areas, then rapidly responding to those small infestations on TNC and partner properties. We are working closely with several CWMA's and ODA's weed program to share resources and reporting information, and hope to expand this project in the near future.

Contact: Tania Siemens (tsiemens@tnc.org)

OPB upcoming invasives program – We have been working with OPB, SOLV, and other partners to develop this invasives program.

Contact: Stephen Anderson (standerson@tnc.org)

OISC Statewide Assessment, Action Plan & Report Card Working Group – Steve Buttrick and I have called and assembled information regarding potential costs for completing this OISC Statewide Assessment, that will also inform the Action Plan and update criteria for the annual OISC Report Card. Depending on who we might like to complete the assessment (options include from graduate students to consulting companies), the potential cost ranges from approximately \$25,000 to \$80,000. We will also be starting to review criteria for the OISC Report Card at this upcoming OISC meeting. Contact: Mandy Tu (imtu@tnc.org)

TNC's main internet website on invasives <http://www.nature.org/initiatives/invasivespecies/>

TNC's Global Invasive Species Initiative website <http://tncweeds.ucdavis.edu>

Oregon Association of Nurseries – Chris Guntermann

The Oregon Association of Nurseries Natural Resources Committee has met twice.

The OAN NR Committee reiterated endorsement of the Feral Swine Control Plan. The OAN Board passed their Resolution of Support; and now the Executive staff and legislative liaisons are drafting letters of support to be presented to the list of contacts provided by Jim Gores. Additional letters of support will be requested of members.

Buddleia - A special notation has been created that notifies national buyers that *Buddleia* will be grown. In-state buyers will see the ODA Weed Listing notice and quarantine. Ivy (*Hedera*) all have been removed from the Guide. *Iris p.* is noted in the guide as being an ODA listed weed. We are still expecting to see some work towards administrative rules, or perhaps Director's exemptions for those sterile hybrids. *Arundo donax* – is currently on the OISC Worst 100 list. The OAN, as part of the VCC, had taken it out of our Buyer's Guide. However, since the plant is not yet on any ODA Listing, our membership is questioning the status - as there are some cultivars that seemingly are not invasive. Tim Butler has updated the OAN that a risk assessment is in the works, and that the Weed Board will see that soon.

Electronic Newsletter:

Buddleia listing information has been announced. However, I am personally fielding questions about the coming administrative rules regulating the production for export.

I have been communicating with Beth Casper of the **Statesman Journal** regarding their upcoming series of articles on invasives. As part of that information the OAN is taking an informal survey to discover the percent of sales dollar-cost expended to combat, and protect ourselves from invasives, and to comply with import/export regulations. These survey numbers will focus our industry's attention on the expense of current invaders so as to provide additional motivation to prevent additional invaders, such as feral swine. I worked with owners of several large nurseries who, when they compiled the numbers, have been surprised by the magnitude of the combined expenses for labor, pesticides, management, etc.

The numbers vary depending upon the type of nursery or greenhouse operation. However, preliminary findings indicate a cost of between 5% and 12% of gross sales. This is a ***significant*** dollar amount when the industry is touted as enjoying 800 million in total sales.

Portland State University – Mark Sytsma, Robyn Draheim

Website <http://www.clr.pdx.edu>

Center for Lakes and Reservoirs – Portland State University

Website <http://www.clr.pdx.edu>

Nutria Workshop a Success

The nutria workshop was a success. We had nearly 90 attendees from Oregon and Washington and learned a lot about on the ground management and outreach efforts happening regionally. Trevor Sheffels, the graduate student working on Nutria at CLR, will begin his enclosure studies this summer and continues to gather information on Nutria distribution in the region.

New PhD Student

Tim Davidson is now working with Dr. Catherine de Rivera on an invasive marine isopod found in Coos Bay. His project, regional surveys and outreach for the non-indigenous burrowing isopod, *Sphaeroma quoianum* received funding from the Western Regional Panel on ANS and involves examining the relationship between *S. quoianum* burrows and erosion rate of marsh banks.

Zebra/Quagga Mussel Veliger Season is Here

Steve Wells will continue to coordinate the Zebra Mussel Monitoring Network throughout the West as well as running the CLR veliger identification laboratory.

Recreational Hull Fouling Study in SF Bay Begins This Summer

Portland State University and the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center are conducting a survey of boat owners regarding recreational boat movements and hull maintenance. For this project we are interested in biofouling organisms that accumulate on the hulls of vessels. In particular, we will be gathering information on vessel maintenance and recent voyage histories to help us better understand the factors contributing to biofouling on boats. We will also survey vessel hulls using an underwater camera between September 12th and September 21st 2007. Our surveys will be conducted in the Bay Area on boats that are moored at selected marinas.

NZMS Outreach in Deschutes Basin Underway

Outreach in the Deschutes Basin on New Zealand mudsnails and other aquatic nuisance species likely to be spread by anglers, boaters and field personnel has just begun and will continue throughout the summer months. Not only will we have a traveling wash station to demonstrate appropriate gear cleaning techniques but also we will be setting up a series of informal workshops throughout the basin for fishing clubs, local agencies, etc. on aquatic nuisance species.

Other:

Louisiana Red Swamp Crayfish reconfirmed in the Umpqua River.

NZMS National Management Plan approved by the ANSTF

OSU Extension Sea Grant- Sam Chan

Oregon Sea Grant is leading an effort with other members of OISC –EOC on a series of major projects on:

Understanding Resource Users' Awareness, Attitudes and Actions to Guide the Oregon Invasive Species Council Education and Awareness Campaign.

A survey would collect data that could be used by the OISC to create and execute an effective awareness campaign to better inform the public about harmful invasive species. Information collected using the survey will include 1) people's basic understanding of invasive species, pathways and impacts, 2) perceptions about who is responsible for the spread of invasive species, 3) possible venues for invasive species education and outreach and 4) basic demographic information. In addition, a survey would establish baseline data in order to measure the success of future education efforts associated with the awareness campaign.

The OSU statistics center and three OSU professors familiar with surveys (Denise Lach, Lynn Dierking, and Joe Cone) aided in editing the survey. These edits were incorporated by Gwenn Kubeck and Sam Chan, with feedback from Randy Henry. The survey is now ready for a test run and/or implementation

A series of four focus groups will be held this summer to gather in-depth data from resource user groups whose activities potentially impact the spread of invasive species. These studies will help the OISC gain insight on the motivations and barriers that exist to changing people's behaviors regarding invasive species.

The OISC Education Committee chose four stakeholder groups to recruit for focus group participation: hunters, fisherman/boaters, exotic pet and aquarium owners, and gardeners. This project has received IRB approval from OSU. Both the recruitment process and the literature review process have begun. The focus groups will be conducted this summer 2007.

Partner with (OPB) Oregon Public Broadcasting to study how and whether the awareness and action campaign from OPB's involvement actually leads to increased knowledge and behavior changes. We are working with Oregon Public Broadcasting in designing a subset of the survey targeted at OPB's membership. Even with the current support, additional funding will be needed

Through the efforts of Jeff Uebell and other program managers with the USDA FS, Region 6 and Tania Siemens, Sam Chan and Scott Wiedemer, USDA FS Region 6 will implement a pilot program this summer where most aquatic and riparian monitoring and survey field crews (AREMP, PIBO and Level II) will include simple protocols for AIS detection and reporting as part of their daily activities. Scott Wiedemer is also developing of a well-illustrated AIS ID guide for Watershed Councils in the Pacific NW.

Led a team of 8 scientists, managers, educators and members of OPB on a scoping mission of invasive species and coastal wetland forest restoration needs in coastal estuaries Fujian Province, China. My team was formed to scope invasive species and wetland restoration. There were many parallels to issues we have here in Oregon. An MOU was established with the Chinese in Fujian Province (FAF) to formalize collaboration and exchanges on invasive species and wetland restoration. We expect a reciprocal visit this spring and planning the development of projects in the interim

Gilliam County Weed Department- Don Farrar

Over the last several month surveyed approximately 6000 acres using ATV and by foot for six different weeds:

- Yellow starthistle (*centaurea solstitialis*)
- Russian Knapweed (*Acroptilon repens*)
- Spikeweed (*Hemizonia pungens*)
- Rush skeletonweed (*Chondrilla juncea*)
- perennial pepperweed (*Lepidium latifolium*)

Found two new sites of Myrtle spurge (*Euphorbia myrsinites*)

Don has been controlling noxious weeds on range and right of ways, with ATV and ground sprayers approximately 3500 Acres. Just completed grant project with helicopter controlling 1020 Acres. Moved Bio-control to new sites with in county and assisting Umatilla County with Yellow flag iris, in the Colombia basin. He has also put out 12 test plots Russian knapweed, Yellow star thistle, Spikeweed and Dalmation toadflax.

Don will be working the annual OVMA meeting coming on Nov. 14-16 at Seaside (Sam will be speaking).

Had a meeting with the Oregon County Weed Control Association to look for funding for counties.

Bureau of Indian Affairs Warm Springs- Bill Reynolds

BIA noxious weed dollars came late this year, but the Tribe is moving forward with their program. The Tribe is cooperating with Jefferson county and PGE for the spring survey and treatment of Yellow Flag Iris. YFI has moved down to the Deschutes river in irrigation water above Trout creek. We will be making a second float trip in late June when YFI is blooming.

The Tribe is engaged with the annual Leafy Spurge lower Deschutes river survey. This will happen May 30 & 31.

We will begin treating Knapweed in early June. Wasco and Jefferson counties are contracted to treat all. The Tribe will continue to survey for Medsage, Starthistle, Loosestrife, and Knotweed. These weed species are of limited distribution or

have been eradicated.

There is some interest in controlling ribbon grass in the Metolius river basin and Wasco county will begin upper watershed noxious weed project funded by an OWEB grant.

Whiskey Creek Shellfish Hatchery- Mark Wiegardt

Spartina treatment in Willapa Bay this summer will focus mainly on smaller patches and sprigs. This type of treatment obviously translates into backpacking and some work on air boats. This type of work is much more labor intensive and tedious. Grays Harbor crews also will also be treating smaller spartina clones. As expected the use of the chemical Habitat is working very well. Last years treatments are running into the 80 to 90% efficacy.

Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) Program Update- Brad Knots

Both the House and Senate have passed HB 2068, which would give ODF voting ex officio representation on the OISC. According to the latest information I have, the bill is on the Governor's desk awaiting signature.

The ODF State Forests Program has developed an invasive plant working group. The group is comprised of field foresters and the staff silviculturist. Activities the group has accomplished or led so far are as follows:

- Developed a draft invasive plant strategic plan, which includes early detection and rapid response. One feature of the plan is a cross-district weed strike team available to quickly attack new infestations.
- On a very short timeline, developed a garlic mustard identification card, and worked with cooperators to survey for garlic mustard along Gales Creek (near Forest Grove) this spring.

ODF is likely to become a formal member of the Northwest Oregon Invasive Weed Management Partnership. ODF has been attending meetings of the False Brome Working Group and the Garlic Mustard Working Group.

An ODF tree disease survey crew located a small gorse infestation along a logging landing in Columbia County. The vector appeared to be horse campers. ODF worked with OSU Extension, who planned to eradicate the patch.

100 WORST LIST UPDATE-2007

The council reviewed the 100 Worst List and approved list with the following changes:

Remove:

golden nematode	<i>Globodera rostochiensis</i>
quagga mussel	<i>Dreissena bugensis</i>
decollate snail	<i>Rumina decollata</i>
Japanese cedar longhorned beetle	<i>Callidiellum rufipenne, C. villosulum*</i>
red haired pine bark beetle	<i>Hylurgus ligniperda</i>

Add:

Cordgrasses	<i>S. patens**</i>
Southern wilt, bacteria wilt	<i>Ralstonia solanacearum</i> Race 3 Biovar 2
Japanese wax scale	<i>Ceroplastes japonicus</i>
light brown apple moth	<i>Epiphyas postvittana</i>
Swede midge	<i>Contarinia nasturtii</i>
White garden snail	<i>Thesbe pisa</i>

Change spelling:

rock snot	<i>Didymosphenia geminata</i>
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Combine:

zebra mussel, quagga mussel	<i>Dreissena polymorpha, Dreissena bugensis</i>
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Legislative Update- Dan Hilburn

ODA received Weeds Pop for lottery money additional funding. Weed seed and bird seed bill passed.

OISC Coordinator position was approved as a contract 1/3 FTE position. There will be no state benefits for this position.

Ballast Water 643- minor changes to definition of a ship. Task force scope expanded to include hull fouling. Passed to weighs and means and now is a bill stage.

Bill 644 companion bill with DEQ to handle Ballast water issues passed, there will be signing ceremony with the governor.

Hull Fouling bill also passed and is building momentum with governor signing

OISC COORDINATOR POSITION UPDATE- DAN HILBURN

OISC Coordinator position will be a yearly renewable contract position. No position in state system, and no state benefits. We will be open bids as soon as draft of RFP is approved.

Dan Hilburn- ODA, Steve Buttick- TNC, Randy Henry- OMB, Mark Systma- PSU will be involved in RFP and review process.

It was suggested to add write grants for additional funding, into scope of work. Dan will make sure that language is included in final RFP for coordinator position. After July 1st money will be available in budget for OISC position.

Oregon Progress Boards- Mandy Tu

Biggest improvement to Environment- Invasive species made the Benchmark list. With only 1 out of the 100 species have established since list was started in 2000. Someone from the TNC will be writing a letter to Progress Board to explain list. OISC needs to think about how to grade benchmark in the future.

How exciting that out of two environmental measures that made the benchmark list, invasive species was on the list. Future discussion on how benchmark is reviewed and defined will be at October meeting or by action committee discussions.

National Meeting- Over lunch the council discussed holding an ISAC (Invasive Species Advisory Council) meeting in Oregon. Portland would be a great location of a national meeting. In Portland we would be able to do possible tours of nutria, nurseries or look at invasive weeds. Portland would also be a great location for other council members to fly in from out of state with the airport in Portland. Dan will look into possibility of Oregon hosting a National ISAC meeting in 2008 or 2009.

QUAGGA UPDATE- PAUL HEIMOWITZ, USF & WS

Paul Heimowitz, gave a powerpoint presentation to update the council on "Quest of the Quagga". On January 6, 2007, Quagga mussels were found in Lake Mead. In the Colorado River some quagga have been found to be as old as 3 to 4 years old. May 7 data shows increased larva.

As a result Columbia River Basin Rapid Response was created. Elements of Rapid Response Plan for Columbia Basin include the following: goal is to maximize delineation and control, serve as a roadmap to actively guide response activities, operational not strategic, rapid - initial steps take hours and days, not weeks. The plan is worked on and updated to help plan the course of action when mussels are found.

CELEBRATING SUCCESSES-

ODA, Insect Pest Prevention and Management- Kathleen Johnson

Kathleen gave a powerpoint presentation on the lessons learned with her program. She believes cooperation, communication are important keys to prevention. Having an early detection and rapid response plan are also critical to her program success. In late April aerial sprays started for eliminating Gypsy Moth in Bend and Asian Gypsy Moth in St. Helens area. IPPM program started 3 years ago spraying for Japanese beetle that was brought in by cargo and with an early detection and rapid response plan her program has been able control the pest.

ODA, Plant Health, Nancy Osterbauer

Nancy gave an update on SOD. In Curry County since 2001, 128 acres have been infected, and the *P. ramorum* pathogen has been eliminated from about 30 acres. In 2004 the first case of SOD was found in a large nursery.

ODA- Weed Program, Tim Butler

Tim also gave a powerpoint presentation on the Weed Program successes. Purple loose strife and Dalmatian toad flax are seeing success in biocontrol. Weed Grant Analyst position and additional lottery money for grants will help to benefit his program in the coming biennium. Early detection and rapid response is key in making his program a success.

ODFW- Martin Nugent

Jim has been making huge strides with pet store education using visits as opportunity to educate store owners. Jim is finally getting cooperation from larger chains to not sell species that are prohibited or restricted in Oregon.

PSU- Mark Sytsma

Mark gave an update on the success of getting the Feral Swine Action plan complete. The nutria workshop had over 100 people attend. Ballast water there are 2 bills in position. Early detection and rapid response has been key in Spartina control. The Columbia River study to identify species is complete.

OSU- Sam Chan

Sea Grant is successful because people are working together. Education kits have been started, and survey plans are in final stages. Sea Grant has also committed finances for OISC survey work to continue.

ODF- Brad Knotts

Success in CRP re-establish forest against streams, and controlling weeds.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Hal Broughton, private citizen has spent the last 13 months learning about invasive species. He shared his enthusiasm and knowledge from all his research and traveling he has done on invasive species was amazing. He has even contacted the Boy Scouts about adding a new merit badge for invasive species. Hal has been involved in 5 weed pulls, and he will be added to our invasive network list serve to so he can continue to be up to date on Oregon invasive issues. He shared with the council great handouts that he had collected during his 13-month journey of learning about invasive species.

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SOLV- Erin Peters, Director of Programs

Erin gave a presentation on the history of SOLV and gave an overview of how their program works. If OISC decided to do a campaign with SOLV they would help coordinate and set up a structured event but would need a large amount of money (estimated \$300,000 to pull off a one day event).

Feral Swine Action Plan

Mark Sytsma moved for council to make the Feral Swine Action Plan an official OISC document and council approved.

GATHERED FOR COMMITTEE WORK SESSIONS

NEXT MEETING

The council discussed October 16 and 17, as next possible dates. The council also discussed location of the October meeting Portland, Bandon, Klamath Falls, or Grants Pass as possibilities. The location will be decided if a tour of Feral Swine or other invasive species can be arranged.

Adjourned