



## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

### ISSUE 1

#### Approval of R&E Board-Recommended Restoration and Enhancement Projects.

### BACKGROUND

This exhibit includes information on one topic that requires Commission review and action: approval of funding for three projects recommended by the Restoration and Enhancement (R&E) Board.

The R&E program was created by the Oregon Legislature in 1989 to help fund fish restoration and enhancement projects throughout the state. The program is funded by a surcharge on sport and commercial fishing licenses and commercial poundage fees and is overseen by a seven-member citizen board made up of three ocean and inland fisheries representatives, three representatives of the commercial salmon industry and one representative of the public. The R&E Board meets four times each biennium in various communities throughout the state to review applications for project funding, hear public testimony, act as liaisons between the program and the public, and to conduct other program business.

### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The R&E Board invites public input on proposals prior to Board decisions regarding funding. Public comments on funding applications are accepted during R&E Board meetings, which are open to the public and conducted in accordance with Oregon Public Meetings laws. Notices of upcoming meetings and proposed agendas are available upon request, posted on the ODFW website, and shared with statewide and local media through news releases. In addition, the public may provide comments and testimony at the Commission meeting where the projects are considered for approval.

### ANALYSIS

On March 5th, 2026, the R&E Board met and reviewed three project applications that were submitted for R&E funding. The R&E Board recommended funding all three projects submitted. The total amount for all recommended projects is \$42,291.00. This is the third of four funding cycles for the 2025-2027 biennium. If the Commission adopts these recommendations, \$77,758 of the projected biennium allocation will remain.

A summary of the R&E projects recommended for funding is presented in Attachment 2, and a summary of all submitted projects is presented in Attachment 3.

## **OPTIONS**

1. Approve the R&E Board-recommended projects
2. Reject all projects
3. Reject individual projects

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION: ISSUE 1**

Option 1. Staff recommend approving the Board-recommended projects

### **DRAFT MOTION:**

**Issue 1:** I move to approve the projects recommended by the Restoration and Enhancement Board as set forth in Attachment 2.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 26, 2026