

Activity Title:

***Water in the West: Policy and Communicative Implications of the TMDL  
Water Assessment Process***

(Class Visits and Campus-wide Event)

Project Sponsor/Staff (Name/Phone):

Tracylee Clarke, 3305  
Donald Rodriguez, 8494

Activity/Event Date(s): Spring 2011 (April)

Date Funding Needed By: Spring 2011 (April)

**Please check if any of the following apply to your IRA:**

Equipment Purchase

Field Trip

**Event**

Participant data collection for public dissemination  
i.e. interviews/surveys that result in publication

IT Requirements

International Travel

Space/OPC Requirements

Risk Management Consultation

Infrastructure/Remodel

Late Submission (Passed Deadlines: **Fall 3/14, Spring 10/15**)

Previously Funded: YES NO Yes, Request # \_\_\_\_\_

Does your proposal require IRB (Institutional Review Board) approval: Yes NO

Assessment submitted for previously Funded Activity: YES NO

Academic Program or Center Name and Budget Code: Communication 032

Date of Submission: October 27, 2010

Amount Requested: **\$1500**

Estimated Number of Students Participating:

This activity will serve the entire campus community, as it is an all-campus event. In addition, 70 students (35 in *COMM/ESRM/POLS 450 Environmental Conflict Resolution* and 35 in *ESRM 200 Principles of Resource Management, Conservation, and Stewardship*) will greatly benefit from the in-class presentations and guest lectures.

<sup>\*</sup> This event will take place in spring 2011 and prior to that time we will work within the appropriate channels for planning, room reservation and set up.

***Water in the West: Policy and Communicative Implications of the TMDL Water Assessment Process*** (Class Visits and Campus-wide Event)

**1. Description:**

The Communication & Environmental Science & Resource Management Programs will co-sponsor a campus wide speaking event, "*Water in the West: Policy and Communicative Implications of the TMDL Water Assessment Process*" featuring Dr. Tonya Dombrowski, **TMDL Implementation and Nonpoint Source Coordinator, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon** (see attached CV). This event focuses on the interdisciplinary connections between environmental policy development, community outreach and communication and will be open to the all students.

In addition to an all-campus event, Dr. Dombrowski will give two classroom presentations, tailoring her presentation to compliment current course curriculum. Dr. Dombrowski will speak to students enrolled in *COMM/ESRM/POLS 450 Environmental Conflict Resolution* about community engagement as environmental conflict resolution. Dr. Dombrowski will also speak to students enrolled in *ESRM 200 Principles of Resource Management, Conservation, and Stewardship* about the TMDL process as community engagement and stewardship.

**2. Relation to course offerings.**

The all campus event is related to general course offerings in various programs such as Communication, Political Science, Environmental Science & Resource Management, Biology and Chemistry. The classroom presentations and guest lectures are specific to:

- *COMM/ESRM/POLS 450 Environmental Conflict Resolution*
- *ESRM 200 Principles of Resource Management, Conservation, and Stewardship*

**3. Assessment**

Students attending the all campus event will be asked to fill out a survey evaluating the presentation. Students enrolled in *COMM/ESRM 450* and *ESRM 200* will be asked to write a 1-page assessment of the event relating it to course teachings.

**4. Budget**

Speaker stipends/ honorarium	\$750
Speaker travel:	<u>\$750</u>
<b>Total Request</b>	<b>\$1500*</b>

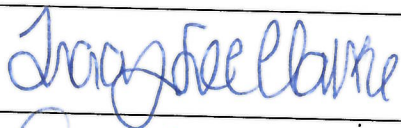
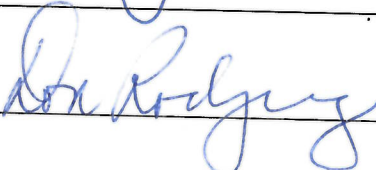

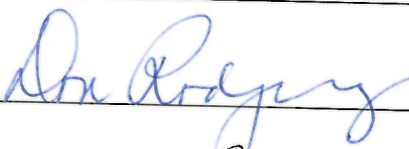
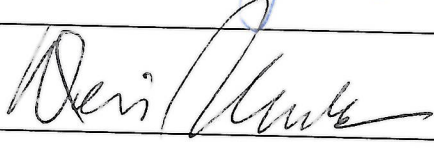
*\*Please also see attached application budget.*

**5. Source of Support**

There are no other identified sources of support for this activity.

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**6. Acknowledgment & Signatures**

Project Sponsors	Tracylee Clarke, Communication Program		Date: 10/27/10
	Don Rodriguez ESRM Program		Date: 10/27/10
Program Chairs	Stephen Clark, Languages & Communication		Date: 10-27-10
	Don Rodriguez, ESRM Program		Date: 10/27/10
Dean	Dennis Muraoka, Faculty Affairs <i>Academic</i>		Date: 11/3/10

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1. Operating Expense Budget

A. Supplies	_____
B. Vendor Printing	_____
C. In-State Travel	_____
D. Out-of-State Travel	\$750 _____
E. Equipment Rental	_____
F. Equipment Purchase	_____
G. Contracts/Independent Contractors	_____
H. Honorarium	\$750 _____
I. OPC Chargeback	_____
J. Copier Chargeback	_____
K. Other (Please Specify)	_____

**TOTAL Expenses**      **\$1500** \_\_\_\_\_

2. Revenue

A. Course Fees	_____
B. Ticket Sales	_____
C. Out of Pocket Student Fees (exclusive of course fees)	_____
D. Additional Sources of Funding. (Please specify And indicate source)	_____
<b>E. Requested Allocation from IRA</b>	<b>\$1500</b> _____

Total Revenue      \$1500 \_\_\_\_\_

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## Education

**Ph.D.**, Analytical Chemistry, 1997 University of Kansas, Lawrence KS

**M.S.**, Analytical-Environmental Chemistry, 1993 University of Nevada, Las Vegas NV

**B.S.**, Major in Chemistry, 1989 Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg KS

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## Expertise

Over 20 years of experience with environmental quality including federal, state, and tribal governments and the private sector in:

- Water quality analysis and assessment (fresh and saline surface waters);
- Characterization and remediation of ground-water contamination;
- Total maximum daily load (TMDL) development and implementation for rivers, lakes, and reservoirs;
- Water quality criteria development;
- Environmental policy development, and
- NEPA process including EIS and EA development.

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## Professional Experience

**TMDL Implementation and Nonpoint Source Coordinator, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon (04/2007–present)** Grant program management, project coordination and oversight for federal and state funded grant programs for water quality improvement and anadromous species reintroduction, beneficial use support assessment, technical support for TMDL development and implementation, and technical support for policy and protocol revisions specific to water quality standards and fish-consumption.

**Project Manager and Technical Support for the § 401 Certification of the Hells Canyon Complex FERC Relicensing Process, Idaho (04/2007–present)** Technical review of § 401 Certification Applications, assessment of reasonable assurance of meeting water quality objectives, preparation of § 401 Certification findings (approval or denial, certification conditions) for Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

**Environmental Chemist, SWCA Environmental Consultants, Utah (09/2003–04/2007)** Beneficial use support assessment; TMDL development and implementation for nutrients, dissolved oxygen, turbidity and temperature, heavy metal transport and processing; NEPA assessments; and state and federal permitting process support.

**Senior Water Quality Analyst, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Idaho (09/1997–08/2003)** Water quality characterizations, beneficial use status assessments, TMDL development and implementation, restoration and remediation program development and oversight, development and implementation of public information, education and environmental quality outreach programs, coordination of local, state, and federal cooperators and funding sources.

**Research Chemist, U.S. Geological Survey, Kansas (10/1995–08/1997):** Analytical methods development for assessment of loading, transport, and processing of agricultural chemicals in soil, air, and water matrices, characterization of ground and surface water contamination, development of methods for the identification and isolation of organic contaminants in aqueous and solid matrices, and development of monitoring plans, quality assurance/quality control plans and standard operating procedure manuals.

**Research Chemist, Harry Reid Center for Environmental Research, Nevada (03/1989–08/1993):** Tracer development for determination of groundwater transit time; development of chemical calibration methods for HPLC/MS; air, soil and water analysis for organic and inorganic constituents, and development of monitoring plans, quality assurance/quality control plans and standard operating procedure manuals.



## Projects

**ODEQ Technical Lead, Umatilla Basin Long Term Monitoring Plan (Revised), Oregon (2008-present):**

Development of a long-term monitoring plan for the Umatilla River Basin specific to near-field water quality assessments, remote sensing techniques, identification of trends in landscape management and channel morphology, and biological indicators. Water quality concerns include excess nitrogen, sediment, dissolved oxygen, algal growth, and temperature specific to mixed fishery uses including endangered salmonids.

**Conservation Tillage Initiatives on a Basin Scale, Oregon (2008-present)** Development of a funding and implementation program to purchase critical equipment for common use and introduce conservation tillage techniques (strip tillage and no-till drill) and encourage their use for high-residue crops in areas susceptible to high erosion rates. Goals are specific to supporting sustainable agriculture and reduced pollutant loading.

**Oregon Fish and Shellfish Consumption Rate Project [Team Member], Oregon (2007-2008)**

Assessment of existing scientific information to identify an appropriate fish consumption rate protective of both average citizens and those cultures where fish is a primary protein source; providing guidance to the State on how salmon should be considered in setting a fish consumption rate; and determining to what extent those populations who consume fish at a higher than average rate are at a greater risk for health impacts.

**Idaho Technical Lead, Hells Canyon Complex Hydropower Project FERC Relicensing and § 401 Certification; Idaho/Oregon Border (2002-present):**

§ 401 Certification and site specific criteria assessment for the Brownlee, Oxbow and Hells Canyon Reservoirs, and the lower Snake River. Water quality concerns include nutrients, algae, dissolved oxygen, temperature, and total dissolved gas specific to recreation and mixed fishery uses including endangered fall Chinook

**Project Manager / Technical Lead, Bear River and Cutler Reservoir TMDL; Cache Valley, Utah (2004-2007):** Beneficial use support status assessment and development of TMDLs for nutrients and associated pollutants for the Bear River including Cutler Reservoir and the associated wetlands.

**Technical Lead, Atmospheric Transport and Deposition of Mercury in the Intermountain West; Salt Lake City, Utah, Utah (2005-present):** Characterization of transport and deposition of atmospheric mercury within the US and on a global scale. Sources assessed included natural geologic processes (soil, volcanism, geothermal activities), and anthropogenic emissions. Relative contributions of specific sources and potential influence on fish tissue advisories in the western US were evaluated.

**Technical Lead/Fisheries Support Assessment, Utah Lake TMDL; Utah County, Utah (2003-2007):**

Beneficial use support status assessment and correlation with water quality trends for a TMDL for total dissolved solids, nutrients and associated pollutants for Utah Lake.

**Idaho Technical Lead, Snake River - Hells Canyon Subbasin Assessment and TMDLs; Idaho/Oregon Border (1999-2003):**

Bi-state TMDL development and designated use support assessment for bacteria, dissolved oxygen, nutrients, algae, sediment, temperature, mercury, pesticides, pH, and total dissolved gas for the lower Snake River from Adrian, Oregon to the inflow of the Salmon River (RM 409 to RM 188).

**Additional TMDLs:**

- ▶ Weiser Flat TMDLs, Cascade Reservoir Watershed TMDLs and Implementation Plan, Idaho

## References

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Mr. Craig Shepard, Idaho DEQ, Boise Regional Office, Boise ID 208.373.0557 [Craig.Shepard@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:Craig.Shepard@deq.idaho.gov)

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IRA Advisory Committee  
Mary Devins  
Faculty Support Coordinator  
California State University Channel Islands

April 11, 2011

Dear IRA Advisory Committee,

Please find enclosed the report form and related documents for the Instructional Related Activity (IRA): ***"Water in the West: Policy and Communicative Implications of the TMDL Water Assessment Process"*** as required for the grant award process.

As outlined in the report, the Communication and ESRM Programs sponsored an on-campus speaking event in which Dr. Dombrowski discussed the importance of engaging community stakeholders in water right discussions and non-point source allocations in the TMDL process.

This event was a valuable experience for those involved and on behalf of the students and the Communication and ESRM Programs, we would like to thank you for making this event possible.

Sincerely,

Tracylee Clarke, PhD  
Assistant Professor of Communication

Don Rodriguez, PhD  
Associate Professor of ESRM

## Instructional Related Activities Report Form

SPONSOR	DEPARTMENT
Tracylee Clarke, Communication Donald Rodriguez , ESRM	Communication History

ACTIVITY TITLE	DATE (S) OF ACTIVITY
<b><i>“Water &amp; Conflict in the West: Policy Implications of the TMDL Water Assessment Process”</i></b>  – Guest lecture & Speaker Forum –	Tuesday, March 15 <sup>th</sup>

**PLEASE EXPLAIN (1) DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY; (2) HOW DID THE ACTIVITY RELATE TO A COURSE(S); AND (3) WHAT YOU LEARNED FROM THE PROCESS.**

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**Relation To Course:** The all campus forum complimented curriculum in courses associated with the Communication, Environmental Science and Resource Management, Political Science and Economics. Students attending both the lecture and the forum were required to write a 3-page assessment linking the concepts introduced by Dr. Dombrowski to the course concepts they address in related courses.

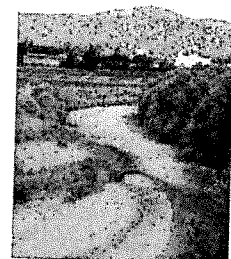
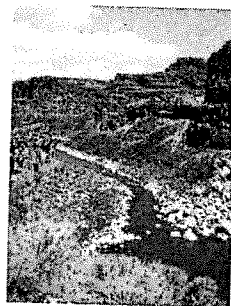
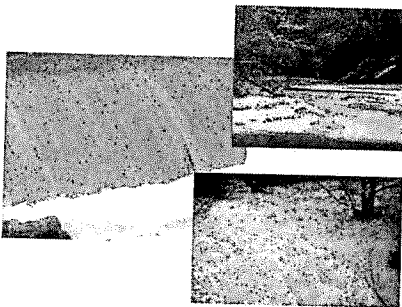
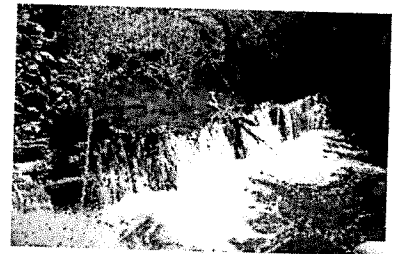
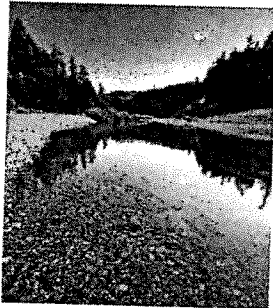
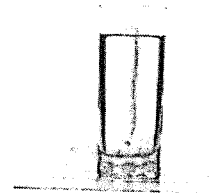
**Student Learning Experience:** Based on feedback from students (focus group discussion after the event) this was an excellent activity. Their learning experience is reflected in their evaluation of the event. Students were easily able to link the presentation material to their course readings and previous class discussions. A lively discussion about having her teach here permanently also ensued. Further, various community members that were in attendance sent personal emails stating how much they enjoyed the presentation and opportunities the university provides for the community.

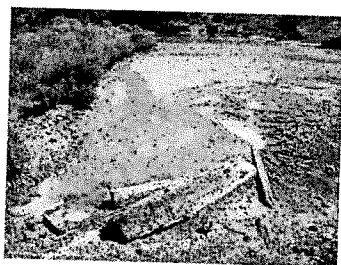
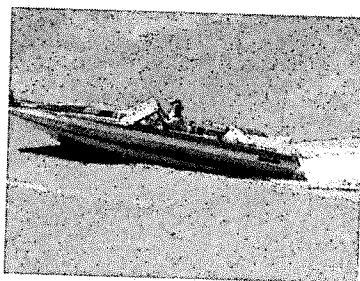
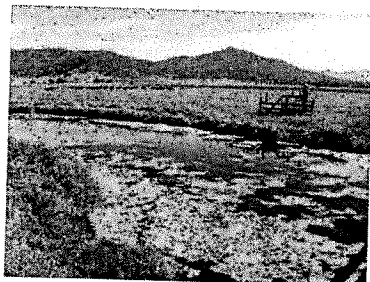


What is good water?

**Water and Conflict in the West:  
the TMDL Process**

Tonya Dombrowski, Oregon DEQ





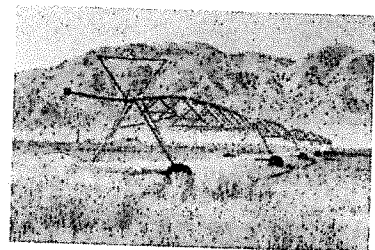
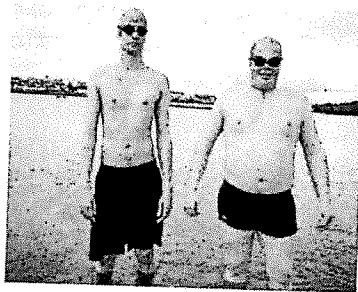
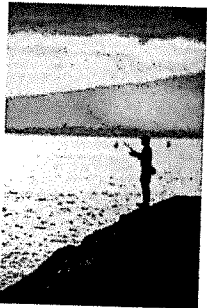
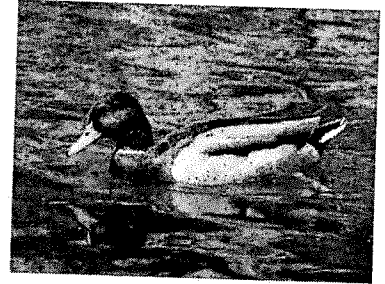
What defines good water quality?

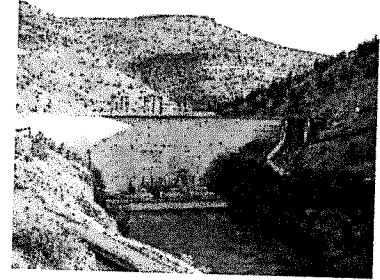
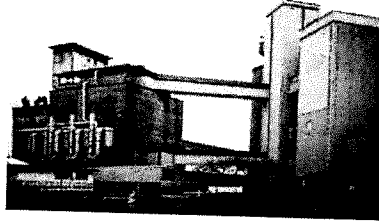
Water quality is related to:

- What lives in the water or what the water will be used for
- Presence of something that does not support aquatic life or use of the water
- Absence of something necessary to support aquatic life or use of the water

Beneficial Uses



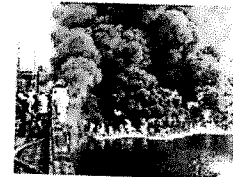




### Who Decides?

- Water Quality (Good or Bad) is defined by the uses of the water

### CWA – Water quality was bad



### Clean Water Act

- Requires permits for point source discharges
- Identified beneficial uses that were present at the time the Act was created (1972)
- Helps to define water quality criteria and policy

### Beneficial Uses

- Those uses specified in State or Tribal water quality standards rules for each waterbody, whether or not those uses are being attained.
- Existing use – a use that was actually attained
  - Use has occurred or
  - Water quality has been sufficient to support use
- Goals or "desired" uses of a waterbody
  - Plans to put water to such future use
  - Conditions make such future use likely
  - Public desire to put water to such use

### Beneficial Uses

- In CA, beneficial uses apply to "waters of the state", which means any surface water or groundwater, including saline waters, within the boundaries of the state.
- "Waters of the US" does not include groundwater or "isolated, intrastate and non-navigable waters"



Terrible, yes, not quite the masterpiece river that we have to build. Tom Andrews photo of 2006 Los Angeles River expedition - Ryan Lind

## Beneficial Uses in California

- Preservation and enhancement of fish, wildlife, and other aquatic resources or preserves
- Recreation; aesthetic enjoyment
- Domestic and municipal supply
- Agricultural supply
- Industrial supply
- Navigation
- Power generation
- Wetland
- Cultural
- Subsistence fishing
- Limited warm water habitat
- Limited contact recreation

## Beneficial Uses

- Each designated beneficial use has specific, individual water quality requirements
- Water quality criteria are developed at the state, Tribal and federal level to ensure that uses are supported

## Water Quality Criteria

- Nitrogen (nutrients)
- Phosphorus (nutrients)
- Dissolved oxygen
- Sediment/Turbidity
- pH
- Temperature
- Algae (chlorophyll)
- Metals
- Toxics
- Appearance (color)
- Solids
- Flow
- Emerging contaminants
- Personal care products
- Pharmaceuticals
- Pesticides
- Additives

## Temperature

No measurable surface water increase resulting from anthropogenic activities

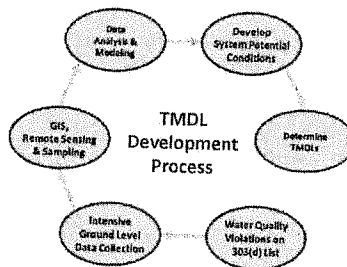
- Eight numeric & narrative criteria or 'triggers'
- 64°F (17.8°C) - Rearing and Migration
  - 68°F (20°C) - Lower Willamette & Lower Columbia
  - 55°F (12.8°C) - Spawning, Incubation, Fry Emergence
  - 50°F (10°C) - Bull Trout
  - Ecologically Significant Cold Water Refugia
  - Threatened and Endangered Species
  - DO levels w/in 0.5 mg/l or 10% saturation or IGDO
  - In Natural Lakes

## Clean Water Act

- States are required by EPA to monitor their waters to ensure that water quality criteria are being met
- If waters are not supporting their beneficial uses, their condition has to be reported under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act
- Set priorities and target resources to develop TMDLs to address point and nonpoint sources of pollution

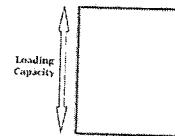
## What is a TMDL?

- TMDL stands for "Total Maximum Daily Load"
- The TMDL determines the amounts of a specific pollutant that a water body can receive and still meet water quality standards and support the beneficial uses designated for that water body.



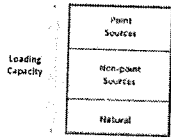
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Every water body can accept a certain amount of pollutants and still meet water quality standards.

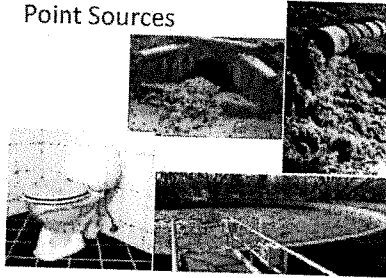


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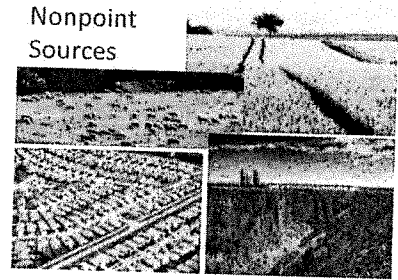
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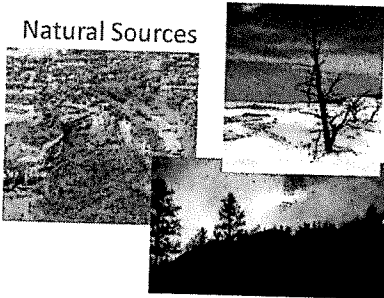
## Point Sources



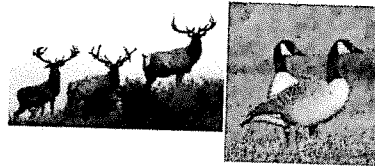
## Nonpoint Sources



## Natural Sources

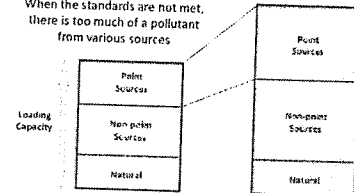


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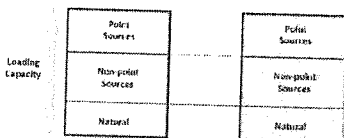
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When the standards are not met, there is too much of a pollutant from various sources

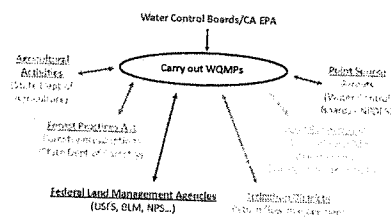


A TMDL develops a pollution budget; it represents the amount of pollution the waterbody can receive and still meet water quality standards

The total permissible pollutant load is allocated to the different sources



## TMDL Responsibilities



## Why is developing a TMDL so difficult?

$$TMDL = WLA + LA_{sp} + LA_{unsp} + MOS + RC$$

WLA = Water Quality Based Load Allocation (Water Quality Based Load Allocation)

LA<sub>sp</sub> = Load Allocation for Specific Sources (Load Allocation for Specific Sources)

LA<sub>unsp</sub> = Load Allocation for Unspecific Sources (Load Allocation for Unspecific Sources)

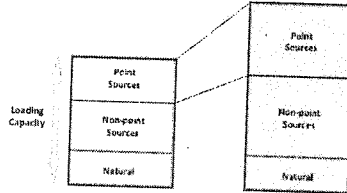
MOS = Margin of Safety (Margin of Safety)

RC = Residual Capacity (Residual Capacity)

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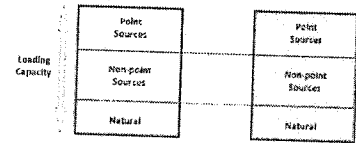
- Hard to separate natural sources from non-point sources
- Loading capacity is not constant – can vary with:
  - different times of year
  - different times of day
  - different points in the river
  - different flows
- If multiple point sources, can be hard to separate them from each other

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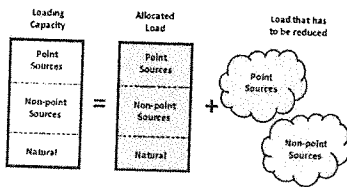


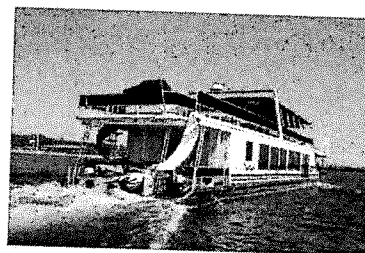
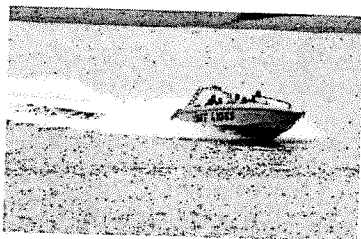
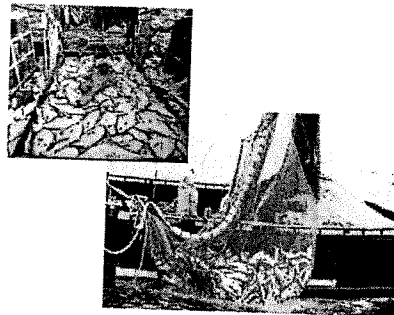
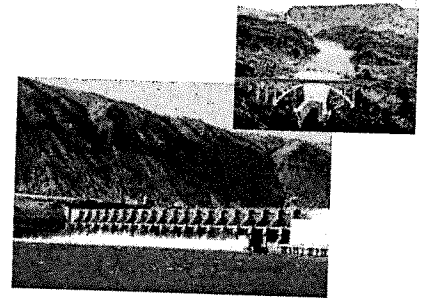
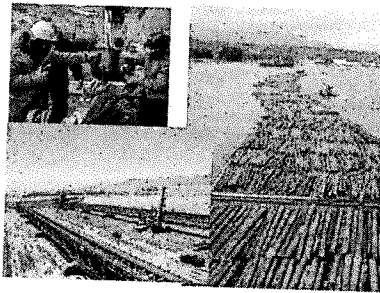
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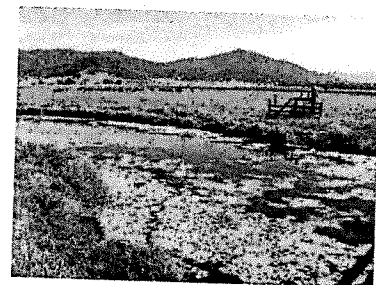
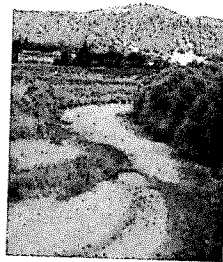
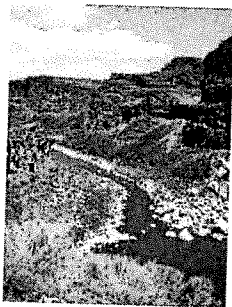
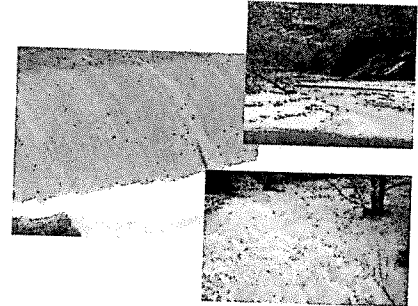
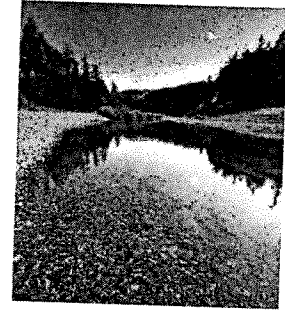
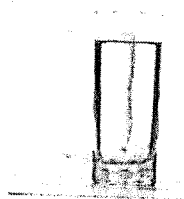
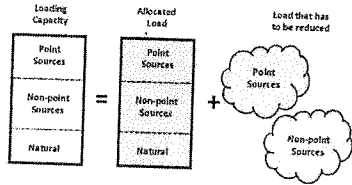
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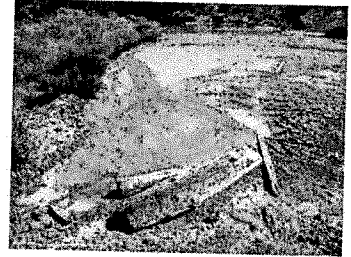
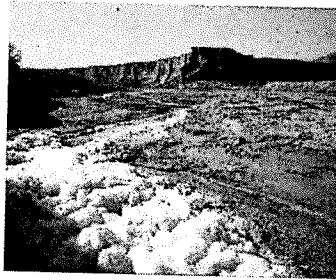
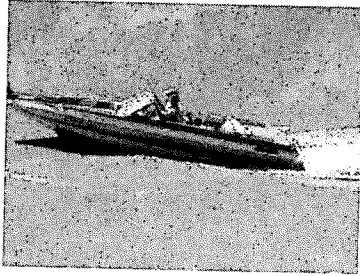






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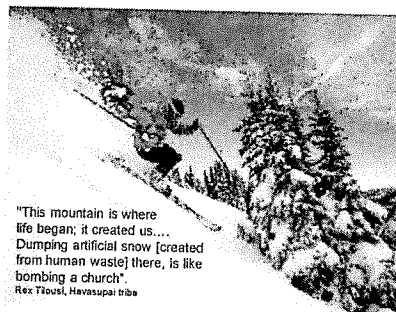
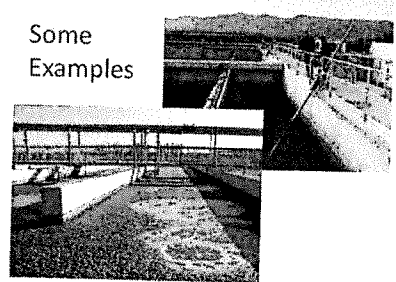




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### Some Examples



"This mountain is where life began; it created us.... Dumping artificial snow [created from human waste] there, is like bombing a church".  
Rex Frost, Havasupai tribe

"It doesn't matter how high the water table is because this is about politics, not reality."

"The reality is that many critics of the deal simply hate the other side more than they love their own self interests."

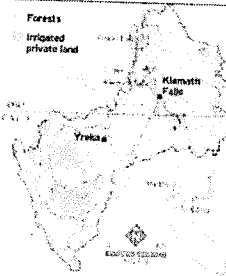
"How do we undo the mistakes of the past hundred ... years? You can't just wave a magic wand; you have to bring people together, get them to put aside their personal interests ... and start working for the common good."

*They hang the man and flog the woman  
That steal the goose from off the common.  
But let the greater villain loose  
That steals the common from the goose.*  
— English folk poem, ca. 1764



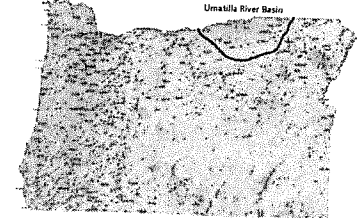
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### Klamath Basin



If Oregon's Klamath Basin were a novel, water would be its protagonist. This place was once known as "the land of lakes." That's what brought farmers here in the beginning of the 20th century to reclaim the basin for agricultural purposes. Who would have thought that in the 21st century a lack of something even so ubiquitous would be at the heart of a conflict that has pitted farmers against the federal government, fishermen and tribes?

For nearly 70 years, salmon were not present in the Umatilla River. Irrigation diversions and habitat damage extinguished them in the early 1900s. Today, salmon are once again rising in the Umatilla River and making a remarkable comeback. Salmon were revived in the Umatilla River while also protecting the local irrigated agriculture economy.



#### KLAMATH

Timeline: ~1999 to present

##### Stakeholders

- Agriculture
- Municipalities
- Industry
- PacifiCorp
- Tribes
- Public lands

##### Issues

- Over-allocation of water
- Competing interests
- Water quality concerns
- Cultural identities
- Dam removal

#### UMATILLA

Timeline: ~1998 to present

##### Stakeholders

- Agriculture
- Municipalities
- Industry
- Bonneville Power
- Tribes
- Forestry

##### Issues

- Over-allocation of water
- Competing interests
- Water quality concerns
- Cultural identities
- Levee maintenance

"The response to the fish kill was focused. Many tribal members and conservationists, who for years had fought openly and bitterly with farmers over water, were compelled to negotiate more amicably. The farmers, likewise, were looking for a way to prevent another water cutoff, which makes sense. Farming is difficult and risky enough even when you have enough water."

"Our tribal philosophy has been to negotiate rather than litigate. If we have to, we will litigate to protect our treaty-reserved rights, but we have seen that we can create solutions, which meet everyone's needs by sitting down with our neighbors, listening to each other, and developing our own solutions. We believe the cooperative process between neighbors can be used as a model for success in the region and beyond."

#### KLAMATH

##### Status

- Highly contentious process
- TMDL document approved for Upper Klamath Lake
- TMDL document still in progress for Klamath and Lost River Basins (contested)
- No substantial implementation
- Growing stakeholder interaction
- Agreement on elements of restoration and dam removal

#### UMATILLA

##### Status

- Stakeholder-enriched process
- TMDL document approved for Umatilla River Basin
- Meeting nitrogen TMDL in Wildhorse Creek, substantial progress on sediment TMDL, progress on temperature TMDL (levee restoration)
- Long Term Monitoring Plan in progress for next 10 years

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Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon

April 8, 2011

Dear Tonya,

On behalf of the Communication Program and Environmental Science & Resource Management Program, I would like to thank you for your recent visit to California State University, Channel Islands. It was a pleasure to host you and have you speak to our campus about your water policy work. Your presentation titled, *"Water in the West: Policy and Communicative Implications of the TMDL Water Assessment Process"* was well received and extremely insightful. It was particularly impressive how you made the critical link between environmental communication, conflict management, water quality and water as you discussed the importance of engaging community stakeholders in water right discussions and non-point source allocations in the TMDL process.

Students were easily able to link the presentation material to their course readings and previous class discussions. Student comments such as, *"she really knows her area and made us think about all the complexities of water policy"* or *"she made the subject interesting and now I'm considering focusing on water quality in my masters education"* illustrate the positive impact the presentation had on students.

We look forward to a continued professional relationship hope to sponsor another visit in the future. Thank you again,

Sincerely,

Tracylee Clarke, PhD  
Assistant Professor of Communication

Don Rodriguez, PhD  
Associate Professor of ESRM



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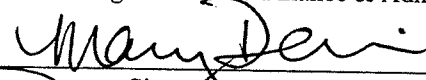
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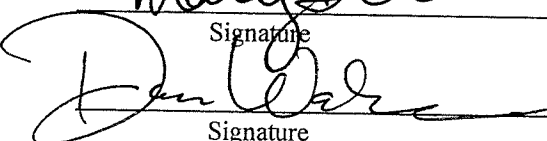
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