Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
DNR Fisheries Program Project Semiannual Report
Grande Ronde Subbasin Fish Habitat Restoration
Period: July 1 – December 31, 2015

**Project Statement/Goal:** Protect, enhance and restore functional, healthy and sustainable floodplain, channel and watershed process for the purpose of protecting and restoring fisheries and aquatic species in the Grande Ronde Basin.

**Project Objectives:** Specific project objectives are developed to address habitat limiting factors determined during baseline surveys and assessment. Objectives for reporting period are directed towards planning/design of new projects in preparation for implementation.

### Outputs (specific 6-mo task accomplishments):
- Initiated development of CTUIR-BPA FY16 SOW and Budget.
- Continued fish habitat project planning and development under FY15-2018 BOR Funding Agreement SOW and Budget.
- Continued project monitoring.
- Participated in construction and fish salvage operations on CC44, Parcel 2 project, completed in August 2015.
- Completed design, construction contractor solicitation and selection, and initiated construction on CC44, Southern Creek Project.
- Continued planning and design for Catherine Creek Projects, Rock Creek Phase 3, Bird Track Springs, Upper Grande Ronde Starkey Projects.
- Completed land acquisition for Cunha Dark Canyon Creek Easement, Southern Cross Acquisition, and Lookingglass Acquisition.
- Continued participation in Grande Ronde Atlas planning and Catherine Creek Atlas Implementation Team.
- Continued participation on GRMW Board of Directors and Technical Review Team.
- Participated on BiOp Expert Panel.
- Participated in collaborative process with watershed partners to develop OWEP FIP and NRCS RCCP funding applications.

### Outcomes (progress and trends resulting from outputs):
- Improved instream habitat diversity and complexity along Catherine Creek, Rock Creek and mainstem Grande Ronde Rivers.
- Progress on land/easement acquisition planning with pending acquisitions on Catherine Creek, Dark Canyon/Meadow Creek, and Lookingglass.
- Collaboration with basin partners in evaluating Catherine Creek and Upper Grande Ronde Watershed and developing basis from which to finalize Atlas project ranking and prioritization plans.
- Increased funding and collaboration through OWEB FIP and NRCS RCCP Programs.

### Impacts (long-term accomplishments and vision):
- Contribute to achievement of healthy watersheds (DNR River Vision) and increased traditional first food abundance and use opportunities.
- Contribute to achievement of Subbasin Plan and ESA Recovery Plan goals.
- Assist in recovery of Endangered Species Act subject species (spring/summer chinook, summer steelhead, bull trout).
- Address water quality limiting factors as per Clean Water Act 303d list.

### Project Inputs:

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Catherine Creek, RM 43, Fish Habitat Restoration Design

Catherine Creek, CC44 Southern Cross Design and Construction