
Free Internet Information On Ground Water

Under Oregon law, all water is publicly owned. There is a wide variety of free information available on the internet concerning ground water in Oregon (e.g., state representatives, brochures, laws, regulations, etc.). The following are just a few web sites to get you started.

Oregon Water Resources Department

<http://www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/index.shtml>

- **ORS 537** — Appropriation of Water
<http://www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/LAW/docs/WaterLawsVol1.pdf>
- **OAR 690** — OWRD Rules
http://www1.wrd.state.or.us/cgi-bin/notices.pl?new_oars
- **Ground Water** — OWRD
<http://www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/GW/index.shtml>
- **Water Rights** — OWRD
<http://www.wrd.state.or.us/OWRD/WR/index.shtml>

Free Well Water Logs

Get free access to Oregon's well log data base and get a copy of any Josephine County, Oregon well log .

http://apps.wrd.state.or.us/apps/gw/well_log/well_log.php

Water Rights & Water Well Permit

You probably knew that under Oregon law all ground water is considered a public resource, and with some exceptions, anyone intending to use ground water must first obtain a permit from the Oregon Water Resources Department (ORS 537.545).

The neat thing is those of us with wells do not need a permit for the following uses (exemptions).



- Group and single-family domestic use up to 15,000 gallons per day.
- Stock watering.
- Watering any lawn and/or non-commercial garden totaling one-half acre or less in area.
- Down-hole heat exchangers.
- Any single industrial or commercial development up to 5,000 gallons per day.

Free Assessor Maps

The taxation and assessment authority in each county created scanned digital tax assessment maps. The Oregon Department of Revenue acquired these images through the Oregon Map (ORMAP) program which it administers. Free assessor maps for Josephine County, Oregon can be accessed at ORMAP.

<http://www.ormap.org/index.cfm?opt=home>

More Information From OWRD

If you need information about ground or surface waters, please contact your local Oregon Department of Water Resources representative.

Ivan Gall, Regional Hydrogeologist
Oregon Southwest Region
Water Resources Department
942 SW 6th Street, Suite E
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526
541-471-2886 Ext. 230
Email: Ivan.K.Gall@wr.state.or.us

OSU Sites On Ground Water

<http://groundwater.oregonstate.edu/index.html>
<http://groundwater.oregonstate.edu/under/aquifer.html>
<http://groundwater.oregonstate.edu/action/info.html>

Want more information? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood* on how you can become involved in the land use or history of your community.

Free Water Rights Maps

Also access new free interactive mapping and reporting of water rights in Josephine County — get a representation of your water rights map.

http://map.wrd.state.or.us/apps/wr/wr_mapping/

Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Make checks to the *Hugo Neighborhood* and send them to our Treasurer. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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