

### PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING

# EAST FORK IRRIGATION DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNIZATION PROJECT

**January 29, 2020** 

#### **MEETING PURPOSE**

Inform the community of the Draft Watershed Plan-Environmental Assessment for the proposed East Fork Irrigation District Infrastructure Modernization Project and gather public comments on the Draft Watershed Plan-Environmental Assessment.

#### **DISTRICT FACTS**

## **9,600** acres irrigated (7,150 acres of fruit crops)

### **990** irrigators served

## **83** miles open canals and pipelines that convey water

## **18%** of diverted water lost to end spills

## **1,445** megawatt-hours of pumping energy required

#### PROPOSED PROJECT MEASURES

## **PIPE AND PRESSURIZE** up to 56 miles of District-owned canals and laterals over the course of 10 years

### **UPGRADE** 384 District-owned turnouts to pressurized deliveries

**INSTALL** a sedimentation basin near the existing sand trap

#### POTENTIAL PROJECT BENEFITS

**SAVE** up to 5,287 acre-feet of water/year by removing end spills

PROTECT up to 3,965 acre-feet of water/year in the East Fork Hood River

**IMPROVE** irrigation water delivery reliability and District operation and maintenance efficiency

**REDUCE** patron pumping costs, saving up to \$278,000 annually

**REDUCE** sediment in irrigation water and tributaries

**INCREASE** public safety by removing the risk of drowning in open canals

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH FEBRUARY 13, 2020

Submit Comments by:

**Email:** eastfork.id.comments@gmail.com

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**Online:** oregonwatershedplans.org



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