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State Land Board

TO: Interested Persons

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Governor

FROM: Louise Solliday, Director

Bill Bradbury  
Secretary of State

SUBJECT: **Status of Rogue River Navigability Study**

Randall Edwards  
State Treasurer

This letter is to give you a brief update on the Rogue River navigability study.

### Opportunity to Ask Questions

On **Wednesday, March 5, 2008 from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.** staff from the Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) will be available in the McKenzie Room of the Ramada Medford & Convention Center to discuss, in an informal setting, the study and to answer questions. No presentation will be given.

### Land Board Meeting

On **Wednesday, March 19, 2008 from 10 A.M. to 12 noon** at the Ramada Medford & Convention Center, Pacific Ballroom, the Land Board will meet to hear public testimony in response to the following questions concerning the Rogue River navigability study:

- Does the factual evidence presented in the second draft of the Rogue River navigability study meet the federal test for title navigability?
- Should the Land Board, based on the factual evidence contained in the second draft of this study, make a declaration of public ownership of the 89-mile segment of the Rogue River from Grave Creek (RM 68.5) to Lost Creek Dam (RM 157.5)?

**The Land Board will not make any decisions at this meeting concerning the navigability of the Rogue River** and will only listen to testimony presented on these two questions. DSL staff expects the Land Board to make a final decision on this issue at a regularly scheduled board meeting later this year. All interested parties will be notified prior to the meeting.

**Within the next several weeks you will receive by mail copies of the following:**

- Notice of Availability of Draft Navigability Study,
- Draft findings and conclusions,
- Summary of the input received during the September 7, 2007 – November 9, 2007 public comment period,
- A document containing answers to questions raised concerning this study, and
- Further information concerning the Land Board's Medford meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Kroft at 503.986.5280 or [jeff.kroft@dsl.state.or.us](mailto:jeff.kroft@dsl.state.or.us). Information concerning the Rogue River navigability study is also available on DSL's website: [www.oregonstatelands.us](http://www.oregonstatelands.us)

