Division 512 Rulemaking Map Packet

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The maps included in this map packet depict the various administrative and hydrologic boundaries relevant to the Division 512 Malheur Lake Basin Program rulemaking. Several of these boundaries are provisional and subject to change prior to final rule adoption.

Maps included in this map packet:

Malheur Lake Administrative Basin boundary

The Water Resources Department has organized the state by Administrative Basins. This
boundary represents the administrative boundary for the Malheur Lake basin to which
the Division 512 rules apply. The Division 512 rulemaking cannot effect changes to areas
outside of this boundary. This boundary was defined by the State Water Resources
Board in 1967 and may not accurately represent hydrologic boundaries as defined by
modern methods.

• Harney Basin Groundwater Study Area boundary (Harney Basin)

 This boundary represents the primary extent of the cooperative USGS – OWRD Harney Basin groundwater study. This boundary represents the closed surface-water basin that includes the three major, perennial streams (Silvies River; Silver Creek; Donner und Blitzen River) and numerous smaller, intermittent streams that drain into Malheur and Harney Lakes.

Proposed Classification boundary

 This boundary represents the proposed extent for classification under the current Division 512 rulemaking. This boundary includes the portion of the Harney Basin within the Malheur Lake Administrative Basin within Harney and Grant Counties.

Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Concern boundary (GHVGAC)

 This boundary represents the Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Concern as defined in the 2016 Division 512 rules. This is the current extent of the classified area boundary in the Harney Basin.

Proposed Serious Water Management Problem Area boundary (SWMPA)

 This boundary represents the proposed extent for SWMPA designation under the current Division 512 rulemaking. This boundary is coincident with the current GHVGAC boundary.

• Proposed Critical Groundwater Area boundary (CGWA)

 This boundary represents the proposed extent for CGWA designation under the current Division 512 rulemaking. This boundary is coincident with the current GHVGAC boundary.













