

**Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee
(PBAC)
2011 Mission and Goals**

Mission:

To ensure a long-term, quality water supply for the Palouse Basin region.

Goals:

- Consistent with the Palouse Basin Groundwater Management Plan, develop and Implement a balanced basin wide Water Supply and Use Program by 2025.
 - Create and maintain an action plan for aquifer system sustainability, enhancement and/or alternate water supply development.
 - Direct research and implement pilot projects necessary to understand the basin hydrogeology in a manner sufficient to support the Water Supply and Use Program and the affiliated supply projects.
 - Encourage and facilitate entities in meeting their specific pumping, conservation, efficient use, water recycling and other goals.
- Review the Palouse Basin Groundwater Management Plan.
- Educate entities and the public on the state of the basin water supply and the status of PBAC's mission and goals.
- Maintain harmonious and effective working relationships across the state line to fairly meet the needs of all entities.
- Revisit the goals and mission statement annually.

**Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee
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2006 Mission and Goals**

Mission:

To ensure a long-term, quality water supply for the Palouse Basin region.

Goals:

- Develop and Implement a balanced basin wide Water Supply and Use Program by 2020.
 - Create an action plan for aquifer system enhancement and alternate water supply development by 2010.
 - Direct research and implement pilot projects necessary to understand the basin hydrogeology in a manner sufficient to support the Water Supply and Use Program and the affiliated supply projects.
- Update the Palouse Basin Groundwater Management Plan to reflect the Water Supply and Use Program.
- Encourage and facilitate entities in meeting their specific pumping, conservation, efficient use, water recycling and other goals.
- Educate entities and the public on the state of the basin water supply and options for carrying out PBAC's mission and goals.
- Maintain harmonious and effective working relationships across the state line to fairly meet the needs of all entities.
- Revisit the goals and mission statement annually to ensure that they are current and reflect the goals of the group.

PBAC Goals: 1992

- To provide for future beneficial use of the basin ground water without depleting the basin aquifers while protecting the quality of the water.
- To promote a program of public education and awareness regarding basin ground water management issues.
- To promote careful monitoring and analysis of the ground water level and usage data for the basin.
- To continue to explore possible supplemental water sources for anticipated and potential future water use in the basin.
- To review and make recommendations on all water use or land use applications whose anticipated impact on the ground water system potentially lies outside the stated goals of the plan or policies adopted by the member entities.
- To review and make recommendations relative to the development of an agreement for water transfers across the state line.

PBAC Goals: 1997

- To plan for continued beneficial use of the basin ground water without depleting the basin aquifers while protecting the quality of the water.
- To promote a program of public education, water conservation and awareness regarding basin ground water management issues.
- To continue to explore possible supplemental water sources for anticipated and potential future water use in the basin.
- To promote careful monitoring and analysis of the ground water level and usage data for the basin.
- To review and make recommendations on all water use or land use applications whose anticipated impact on the ground water system potentially lies outside the stated goals of the plan or policies adopted by the member entities.

PBAC Mission and Goals: September 1999

Mission:

To plan for continued beneficial use of the basin ground water without depleting the basin aquifers while protecting the quality of the water.

Goals:

- To promote a program of public education, water conservation and awareness regarding basin ground water management issues.
- To continue to explore possible supplemental water sources for anticipated and potential future water use in the basin.
- To promote careful monitoring and analysis of the ground water level and usage data for the basin.
- To review and make recommendations on all water use or land use applications whose anticipated impact on the ground water system potentially lies outside the stated goals of the plan or policies adopted by the member entities.

Mission and Goals: November 1999

Mission:

To plan for continued beneficial use of the basin ground water without depleting the basin aquifers while protecting the quality of the water.

Goals:

1. Implement efficient water use and water conservation practices to reduce pumping from the deep (Grand Ronde) aquifer.
2. Develop a program of public outreach and education to promote efficient water use and conservation and awareness of basin ground water issues.
3. Continue data collection and analysis of ground water levels and usage data for the basin.
4. Support research of basin hydrogeologic conditions affecting the regional water level declines and facilitating sustainable development of the ground water resource.
5. Review and make recommendations on all water use or land use applications with an anticipated impact on the ground water system that lies outside the stated goals or policies adopted by the member entities.
6. Protect the high quality of the ground water in the Palouse Basin.

Mission and Goals: 2001

Mission:

To plan for continued beneficial use of the basin ground water without depleting the basin aquifers while protecting the quality of the water.

Goals:

1. Stabilize the ground water levels in the Grande Ronde aquifer by 2020.
2. Implement efficient water use and water conservation practices to reduce pumping from the deep Grand Ronde aquifer.
3. Promote a program of public outreach and education for efficient water use and awareness of ground water issues in the basin.
4. Continue data collection and analysis of ground water levels and usage data for the basin.
5. Support research of basin hydrogeologic conditions affecting the regional water level declines and facilitating sustainable development of the ground water resource.
6. Protect the high quality of the ground water in the Palouse Basin.

Mission and Goals: 2005

Mission:

To ensure a long term quality water supply for the Palouse Basin region.

Goals:

- To stabilize the declining deep aquifer water levels by 2020.
 - To determine a plan for accomplishing this by 2010.
 - To conduct the necessary research to understand the basin geohydrology and determine the most economical options for enhancing deep aquifer recharge.
 - To conduct pilot projects to test promising options for increasing recharge to the basin aquifer systems.
- To encourage and facilitate entities in meeting their specific pumping, conservation, efficient use, water recycling and other goals.
- To educate entities and the public on the state of the basin water supply and options for carrying out PBAC's mission and goals.
- To procure matching funds to facilitate the necessary research and pilot projects to clarify the best options available to regional entities for achieving the PBAC goals.
- To accomplish the PBAC mission and goals in the most economic fashion using best management practices.

Implied Goals:

- Work with state agencies to avoid delays and hassles associated with meeting the details of applicable regulations.
- Continue to work harmoniously and effectively across the state line to fairly meet the needs of all entities.

Mission and Goals: 2006

- Develop and Implement a balanced basin wide Water Supply and Use Program by 2020.
 - Create an action plan for aquifer system enhancement and alternate water supply development by 2010.
 - Direct research and implement pilot projects necessary to understand the basin hydrogeology in a manner sufficient to support the Water Supply and Use Program and the affiliated supply projects.
- Update the Palouse Basin Groundwater Management Plan to reflect the Water Supply and Use Program.
- Encourage and facilitate entities in meeting their specific pumping, conservation, efficient use, water recycling and other goals.
- Educate entities and the public on the state of the basin water supply and options for carrying out PBAC's mission and goals.
- Maintain harmonious and effective working relationships across the state line to fairly meet the needs of all entities.
- Revisit the goals and mission statement annually to ensure that they are current and reflect the goals of the group.