



Klamath Water User Association Guiding Principles

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- We support the long term viability of irrigated agriculture inside and outside the Klamath Reclamation Project
- We support securing the most water to irrigate the most acres possible in the Klamath Basin
- We support the livestock industry and diverse crop production in the region
- We support developing local energy generation projects that help offset the costs for irrigation and drainage pumping, on and off project
- We support an end to needless litigation with tribes, fishermen and others
- We support Oregon Water Law and the Prior Appropriations Doctrine with respect to regulation of water
- We support development of alternatives for those who may be negatively affected by the adjudication
- We support long term water supply security for the Rogue Valley irrigators
- We support an individual's ability to choose if and how they participate in any resource related programs or initiatives
- We support a market driven approach to address water shortages
- We support wise use of tax dollars and a watershed wide approach to resource management
- We support the private property rights of individuals and private companies such as Pacific Power
- We support protecting rate-payers and capping costs related to PacifiCorp operations
- We support protection of landowners from regulatory uncertainty that might result from the introduction of new species in the Upper Basin
- We support development of new water storage projects
- We support economic assistance and mitigation of tax losses to counties that may be negatively affected by government actions
- We support the local economic development of tribal and agricultural communities
- We support water and power conservation and efficiency measures
- We support hydro-power generation and development as a general matter
- We support restoration efforts that result in measurable improvement to listed species
- We support practical alternatives to the way things are managed, or not managed, today in the Basin

*****None of these principles are inconsistent with the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement***