



DRAFT SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

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Submitted by Jeff Tryens on behalf of the Oregon Progress Board
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(N.B. This plan will be finalized by the Progress Board at its January 20th meeting
and is subject to modification until that time.)

Goal:

Oregon Progress Board 2003 - 05 Work Plan Goal 1 -Oregon Benchmarks are a Key
Part of Government Operations, Objective 1.2 - Support the Governor's sustainability
initiative (through improving state government management practices).

Current Actions:

The Progress Board has issued two reports on measuring sustainability – *Developing
a Set of Sustainability Indices for the State of Oregon* and *Measuring Sustainability:
The Role of Oregon Benchmarks*. Progress Board Executive Director Jeff Tryens
serves on the Sustainability Leadership Team and played an important role in drafting
both the Governor's Executive Order on Sustainability and the Sustainability
Guidance for Agencies.

Three Actions for 2004:

Action 1: Develop support materials to assist state agencies in developing specific
performance measures that can be included in their sustainability plans.

Action 2: Draft recommendations for consideration by the Oregon Sustainability
Board that improve sustainability-related management practices in Oregon state
government.

Action 3: With members of the Sustainability Board, draft recommendations for
changing the Oregon Benchmarks to better reflect sustainability values.

Effect of Actions:

These actions are designed to move Oregon, and particularly Oregon state
government, toward a better understanding of the results that need to be achieved
under a sustainability scenario. If successful, this plan will result in greater focus by
all state agencies on what a sustainable future would be. Addressing issues like what
target levels for particular economic, social and environmental benchmarks would
Oregon need to achieve to be "sustainable."

Measures of Performance:

Action 1: Assist agencies in developing measures.

PM for Action 1 - % of agency representatives that rate the quality of the Progress
Board support materials 4 or above on a scale of 1 – 5.

Target for Action 1 – 75%.

Action 2: Make recommendations to Oregon Sustainability Board on management practices.
PM for Action 2 – % of recommendations that are approved by the Sustainability Board and put into practice.

Action 3 – Recommendations to modify Oregon Benchmarks to reflect sustainability values.
PM for Action 3 – Joint adoption by Progress Board and Sustainability Board of recommendations for modifying Oregon Benchmarks.

Target for Action 3 – Recommendations adopted by July 30, 2004.

Responsibility:

Progress Board Director Jeff Tryens is responsible for carrying out the plan.

Communications Program:

Director Jeff Tryens will explain the goal, objective, actions and measures, and the thinking behind the plan, to OPB staff members at a staff meeting. Also performance measure results are reviewed quarterly with staff and Board.

Strategic Plan Incorporation:

The goal, objective and actions were adopted by the Progress Board at its November 2003 meeting. Performance measures will be discussed at the January 2004 meeting
See attached work plan.

Coordination with Other Agencies:

All of the actions described above will require OPB staff interaction with other state agencies and, in some instances, other groups outside of state government. One step the Board is taking to improve that communication is the development of a regular e-mail communication with 2,500 key policymakers, staff and community leaders to keep them apprised of Progress Board activities.