Introduction to Oregon Senate Bill 737

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SB 737 Drivers

• Environmental and human health concerns with persistent bioaccumulative toxins

• Environmental groups proposed eliminating “toxic mixing zones”

• Environmental groups, Tribes, and municipalities began working to evaluate options
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- Oregon Senate Bill 737 was result of collaborative work
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) given tasks
- Municipalities given tasks
- Municipalities agreed to permit fee increases to fund DEQ tasks
SB 737 – DEQ tasks

• Conduct study of persistent pollutants discharged in Oregon

• Report to Legislature by June 1, 2010
  ▪ Priority listing of persistent bioaccumulative pollutants (P3 List)
  ▪ Identification of sources or potential sources of pollutants
  ▪ Evaluation and assessment of source reduction and technological control measures
SB 737 – POTW tasks

- Perform effluent sampling for constituents on P3 list
- For P3 constituents exceeding “target value” provide:
  - Description of concentration discharged
  - Estimated annual quantity discharged
- Develop & implement plan to reduce identified P3 constituents
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SB 737 Project Website:
http://www.deq.state.or.us/wq/SB737
POTW “Toolbox”

- Federally mandated Industrial Pretreatment Program
- Local program
- Pollution Prevention
- Public Outreach & Education
National Pretreatment Program
- Federally mandated (40 CFR §403)
- DEQ approved
- Local control
- POTW Ordinance
- PT Program Manual
- Enforcement Response Plan
- Local Limits

Local Source Control Program
- No federal mandate
- Program consistency—DEQ
- POTW ordinance
- Local control
- Local Program Manual
- Enforcement Plan

Pollution Prevention (P2) Program Tools
- Best Practices
- Industry Standards
- Product Substitutions
- Product Bans
- Consumer Education
- Public Outreach
- Incentive Programs