

Meeting Summary
11th Meeting of the Oregon Geothermal Working Group
Recovery Act Projects in Oregon
Portland, Oregon, Mar. 23, 2010

Robin Straughan of the Oregon Department of Energy welcomed the 50 attendees who then introduced themselves. The group heard presentations from 10 speakers. The primary focus was on new projects that were funded in part by newly reestablished federal funding through U. S. Department of Energy (USDOE). USDOE Geothermal Technologies Program ARRA Project awards for Oregon were divided into four categories. Meeting presentations followed those categories. All of the speakers provided PowerPoint presentations, which have been uploaded in PDF form to the OGWG website:

<http://www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/RENEW/Geothermal/OGWG-Meetings.shtml>

In the category of Innovative Exploration and Drilling Projects, we heard presentations from:

- John Casteel, Nevada Geothermal Power, discussing the Crump Geyser in Lake County
- Doug Perry, Davenport, discussing the Newberry project
- Patrick Walsh, ORMAT, discussing the Glass Buttes project

In the category of Co-produced and Low Temperature projects, we heard from:

- Brian Brown, representing the City of Klamath Falls
- Frank Baumgardt, Johnson Controls
- Roy Mink, discussing the Paisley Project and small-scale geothermal development

In the category of Enhanced Geothermal Systems projects, we heard from Susan Petty, with AltaRock, discussing the demonstration they are doing at Newberry volcano.

In the category of Geothermal Data Development, Collection, and Maintenance, we heard from:

- Vicki McConnell, DOGAMI, discussing the Geoscience Information Network (GIN)
- Toni Boyd, OIT Geo-Heat Center, discussing the National Geothermal Database System (NGDS)

Our final presentation of the day was from Lauren Boyd with the U.S. Department of Energy Geothermal Technologies Program. She shared the goals of their program and gave us an understanding of how the resurgence in funding has helped them support 221 new projects since 2009 (151 Recovery Act projects). She shared the goals and funding levels for each of the program areas. To learn more about the program or future funding opportunities, you can visit:

<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/geothermal/>.