

## Walla Walla Watershed Management Partnership

### *Water Resource Panel Meeting Minutes*

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**Date:** February 23, 2010

**Time:** 2:00PM–4:00PM

**Location:** WWCC Water and Environmental Center, 500 Tausick Way, Walla Walla, WA

**Present:** Bill Neve, Brian Wolcott, Cathy Schaeffer, Chris Marks, Eric Quaempts, Greg Farrens, Gary James, Greg Kinsinger, Jack Myrick, Jen Svoboda, Kevin Lindsey, Matt Rajnus, Mitch Wallace, Paul LaRiviere, Rick Henry, Ryan Spets, Victoria Leuba.

**Minutes:** The WRP discussed the Gardena Farms Irrigation District Local Water Plan (10-01), and potential amendments to the current guidelines for aquifer recharge. Information on the plan is available online at: <http://www.wallawallawatershed.org/partnership/83-partnership-lwp-program>.

#### **Discussion Summary:**

- We should investigate the potential for an economic analysis of winter water.
- What are the tools available to determine return rates for recharge water?
- What time scale should reporting on a source switch like the one proposed by GFID be tracked?
- When is this proposal benefiting GFID, during times when the ditch is off?
- We need a way to identify how this project affects in stream benefits reach by reach and month by month.
- The OSU flow model for the mainstem Walla Walla (south-side only) will be complete in June 2010
- Our next step should be a site review
- How can we quantitatively account for the benefits of SAR to in stream flow?
- The WRP Report should help proponents be successful, and the review process should be iterative
- Prior to the site review the group will work to read the proposal and provide questions and comments