

## **Ground Rules for Observing Technical Committee Meetings**

### **Capitol Lake/Deschutes Estuary Long-term Planning**

1. The public may observe meetings of the technical committee. However, these meetings are conducted as technical working sessions where input from experienced agency and government staff is solicited. Comments, questions and input from the community will not be accepted at the technical committee meetings, and should not be addressed to the technical committee members before, during or following the meetings.
2. Observers shall be respectful of the committee members and this process, shall listen quietly and not talk among themselves or on the phone or otherwise create distractions for committee members or staff.
3. Because of the condensed timeline for the Phase I work, any questions, comments, concerns or input should be shared through the regular process for community input. Comments may be submitted via the Enterprise Services website through the regular public comment process, via the appropriate on-line survey or in person at the regularly-scheduled, monthly community input meetings.
4. All observations should be kept in proper context. Keep in mind that these are work sessions, which by their nature may include brainstorming and discussion of a wide variety of ideas. These discussions are not decision-based and decisions will not be made at these meetings. Rather, the discussions will inform the Executive Work Group and the Enterprise Services/Floyd|Snider team. Some items may require further investigation and vetting with others from the members' agency and may not be final at the meeting.
5. Enterprise Services reserves the right to discontinue allowing observers should it prove to be too disruptive or a deterrent to completion of the committee's work.