



Project Overview

In August 2008, the cities of Lake Oswego and Tigard formally endorsed a partnership agreement for sharing drinking water resources and costs. The Lake Oswego Tigard Partnership represents an important step forward for cooperative and regional, as opposed to purely local, water supply planning. This regional approach will help ensure that the more than 90,000 residents of both cities¹ will continue to have a safe, affordable, and sustainable supply of drinking water.

We need people to cooperate and look to the future, and that is exactly what Lake Oswego and Tigard are doing.

—Dwight French,
Oregon State Water Resources Department

Lake Oswego currently withdraws water from the Clackamas River in Gladstone as it has done for over 40 years. The partnership project will upgrade, upsize, and expand five existing facilities and pipelines from the water treatment plant in West Linn, to the Waluga reservoir in the western portion of Lake Oswego and the Bonita pump station near I-5 in Tigard (see map on reverse).

Under the partnership agreement, the City of Lake Oswego will manage and build the water system improvements. An Oversight Committee, of representatives from Lake Oswego and Tigard City Councils, provides leadership and guidance.

- It would cost Lake Oswego \$78M more to address system issues alone.
- Partnering with Lake Oswego is the lowest cost of four alternatives examined by Tigard.

The Partnership will save customers in Lake Oswego millions of dollars by sharing water system improvement costs with Tigard, while customers in Tigard will save money by lowering future rate increases needed to purchase water from other suppliers.

Capital costs to construct new facilities will be split according to each city's share of total capacity. Wherever existing facilities are upgraded/upsized and continue in use, each city will pay for their proportionate share of added capacity. Program costs are currently estimated at \$230 million. Cost allocations between Lake Oswego and Tigard are 46.5% and 53.5%, respectively. Revenue bonds issued separately by each city will pay for the improvements. These bonds will be repaid with revenues from the sale of water to residents and businesses.

The project team estimates that over 1500 jobs will be created or sustained over the 3 year project. Job categories include manufacturing; heavy equipment sales and rentals; engineering; building trades to include masons, carpenters, electricians, and welders; heavy equipment operators; scientists; surveyors; geologists; food service; and rental housing.

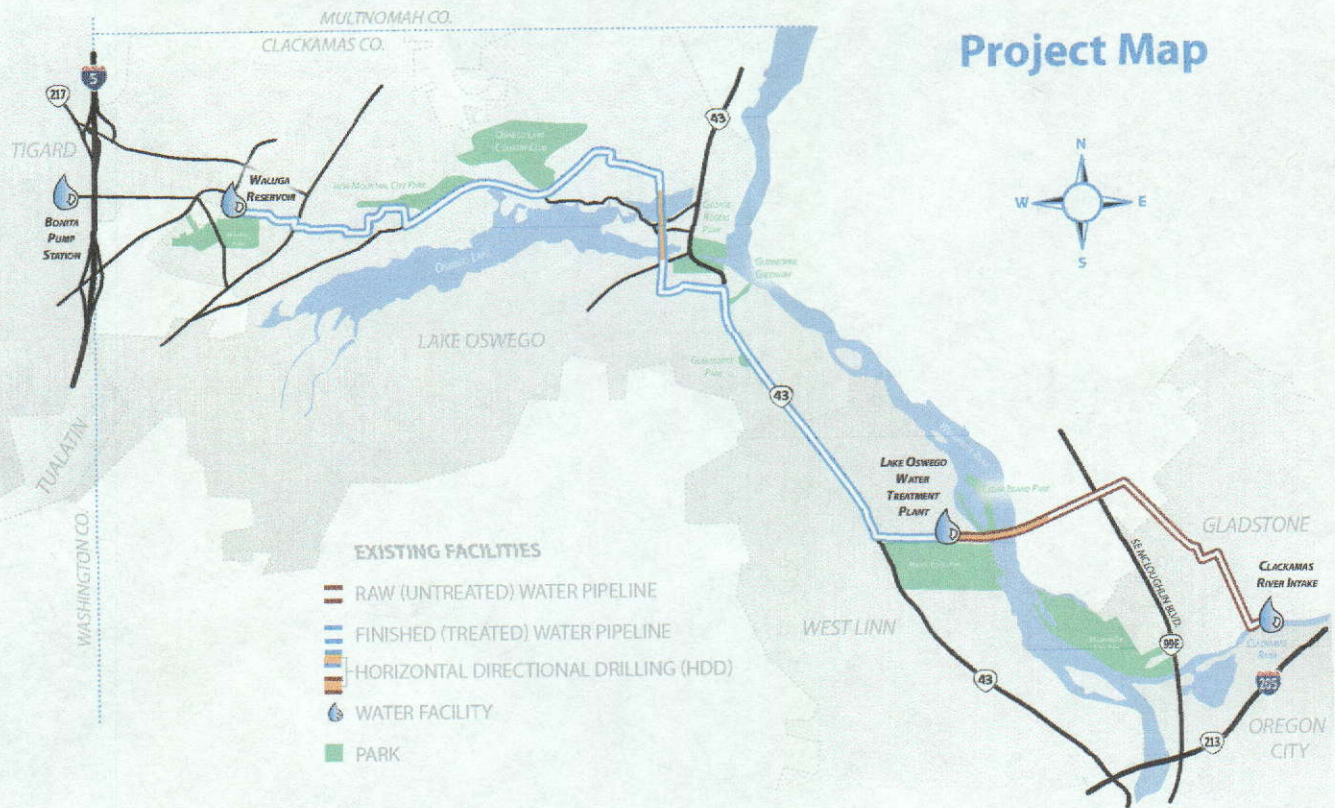
¹The Tigard Water Service Area includes Durham, King City, and nearby unincorporated areas of Washington County.



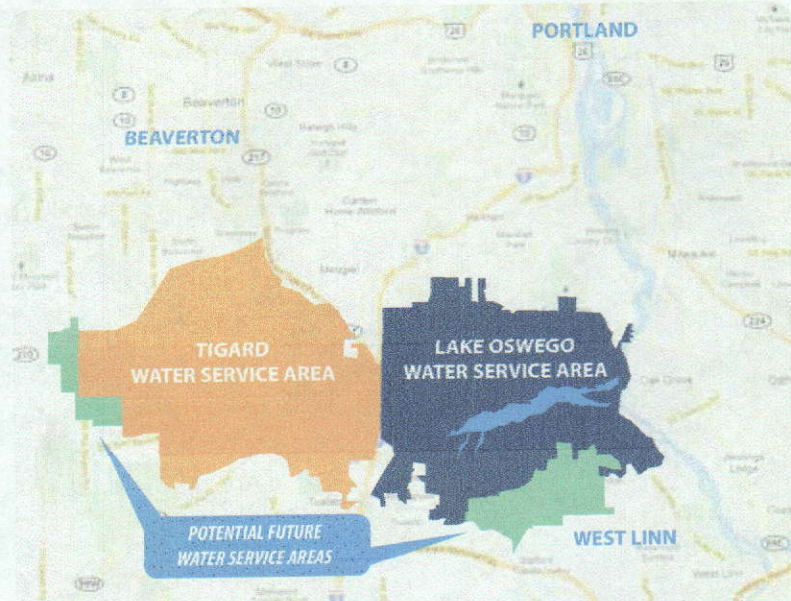
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Water Partnership**
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Project and Water Service Area Maps

Project Map



Water Service Areas



Lake Oswego

Population: 37,000
Connections: 13,000
Serves five wholesale customers

Tigard

Population: 55,000
Connections: 22,000
Serves Tigard Water District,
King City, and Durham

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