

REAL OREGON

Resource Education & Agricultural Leadership Program

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Greg Addington
Real Oregon Executive Director

The REAL-Oregon Board of Directors is excited to announce that Greg Addington will be the first Executive Director for this exciting new project. He will assume these duties in April and start the process of planning for Class 1 which is slated to begin later this year.

Prior to coming to REAL-Oregon Greg worked for the Klamath Water Users Association (KWUA) for over ten years as its executive director and has worked for the past two years as a private consultant for KWUA and other clients. Previous to his work in the Klamath, Greg worked for the Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB) for over nine years, first as a regional coordinator, then as associate director of governmental affairs. Prior to Greg's arrival at KWUA, the organization had not had an executive director serve more than about three years because of the high pressure of the position and the complexity and intractability of the issues they face. Importantly, Greg is a graduate of the former Leadership Oregon Institute and is a true believer in the kind of leadership education that REAL Oregon will provide. Last year, he was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus by University of Idaho for his work and dedication to the agriculture community.

Bill Buhrig, Chairman of the REAL-Oregon board of directors said he and the board are eager to get Class 1 started with Greg's involvement. "We look forward to a great relationship with Greg and know that he will bring a dynamic and positive energy to this professional development program."

For more information on REAL-Oregon, visit www.realoregon.net or contact Greg at 541-892-1409 or at addingtonconsulting@gmail.com.

Applications for Class 1 Available May 1

Are you interested in being a member of Class 1 this fall or know of somebody who might? Please download the application from realoregon.net and check it out. You can also request it via email from addingtonconsulting@gmail.com or buhrigw@live.com. The deadline for applying will be June 30, 2017!

Updates

- We are ready to receive your sponsorship in both funding and in-kind support!
- Check out our website for more information or to contact us!
www.realoregon.net
- We are happy to add folks to our distribution list to keep folks up to date! Forward this to anybody you might think would be interested.

Mission

Growing natural resource leaders who make a difference for Oregon

2017 Timeline:

- May 1— Open registration
- June 30, 2017 — Close registration
- Sept 2017—Notify applicants
- Nov 2017— Class 1 begins