

# REAL OREGON

Resource Education & Agricultural Leadership Program

March 23, 2022

Greetings!

Oregon's Resource Education and Agricultural Leadership Program (REAL Oregon) is receiving applications to take part in Class 6! This personal and professional development program for agricultural and natural resource leaders is looking forward to bringing another cohort together to enjoy a dynamic curriculum delivered in five different locations across our diverse state. Class 6 will take place on the following 2022-2023 dates at these or similar locations<sup>i</sup>:

| Session | Location                    | Dates                   |          |
|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| 1       | Klamath Falls               | Nov 14-17, 2022         | 3 nights |
| 2       | Roseburg                    | Dec 13-15, 2022         | 2 nights |
| 3       | Newport                     | Jan 17-19, 2023         | 2 nights |
| 4       | Boardman                    | Feb 14-16, 2023         | 2 nights |
| 5       | Salem                       | Mar 14-16, 2023         | 2 nights |
|         | Contingency Dates if Needed | Apr 11-13 <sup>ii</sup> | 2 nights |

When we look to the forests, fisheries, farmlands, and ranches of Oregon, there exists great strength in our diversity. This program strives to help bring these groups, along with others in related fields, together to provide a wide-ranging curriculum that touches on topics such as our state's urban/rural divide, farm succession planning, understanding forestry, agricultural issues, working with the media, dressing for success, conflict resolution, public speaking, and much more! While the program is not intended to be a political forum, natural resource policies and issues are a central focus of most sessions.

The successful applicant will be part of a group willing to learn and experience new things. As an example, tours may include active timber operations, onion or potato packing sheds, seafood processing plants, etc. Some tours may not necessarily have a direct connection to natural resources but offer other unique leadership experiences.

We invite you to apply now and consider taking part in REAL Oregon. The application deadline is August 12, 2022, though we highly recommend not waiting until the last minute. Submitting an application early does not commit you to the program. If you have questions, you can contact our program director Greg Addington at [greg@addingtonconsulting.net](mailto:greg@addingtonconsulting.net) or call 541-892-1409. More information is also available on the website [www.realoregon.net](http://www.realoregon.net).

We look forward to seeing your application!

*Jake Gibbs*

Board Chair

*Greg Addington*

Executive Director

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<sup>ii</sup> April dates to be held as a contingency plan should one of the 5 sessions need to be rescheduled due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

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**2022 - 2023  
PARTICIPANT  
APPLICATION**

**Growing Natural Resource Leaders Who Make a  
Difference for Oregon!**

**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Improve personal leadership skills, enhance self- confidence, and develop agriculture and natural resource awareness.*
- 2. Encourage a network of leaders to take an active leadership role in community, state, and national issues.*
- 3. Promote Oregon's Natural Resources and the development of strong rural communities.*
- 4. Continue to build a network of informed, trained, and motivated leaders across Oregon.*

## PERSONAL DATA

Mr.  Mrs.  Ms. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Present Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business \_\_\_\_\_ Your Title \_\_\_\_\_

Age (at program start date)

### List prior employment, most recent first:

| Employer | City/State | Dates of Employment | Position Held |
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## EDUCATION

List educational background, including high school, college, university, etc. Please begin with your highest degree or latest accomplishment.

| School | Dates Attended | Degree or Accomplishment |
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## RECOMMENDATIONS

Please attach two (2) letters of recommendation (letters should not come from current REAL-Oregon board members). The letters need to address why you should be selected to participate in the REAL-Oregon Program. Complete the following information about the people submitting your letters of recommendation:

### RECOMMENDATION LETTER #1

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOMMENDATION LETTER #2

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## REFERENCES

Please list at least two (2) personal references, different from the individuals listed in the "Recommendations" section, which may be contacted. Complete the following information for each of your references:

### REFERENCE #1

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### REFERENCE #2

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### REFERENCE #3

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

List any past and current leadership involvement - include high school, college, community, government, and employment (feel free to use additional pages for explanation).

Organization

Membership / Service Dates

Your Involvement

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## ESSAY

Please attach a typed essay, one-half to one page in length, explaining why you want to be selected as a REAL-Oregon participant and how you plan to use the knowledge and experience you will gain.

1. Applicants must be 26 years of age before the first session.
2. Participants are required to attend **ALL FIVE (5) PROGRAM SESSIONS** in their entirety. Each session is 2 – 3 days in length. Graduation is contingent upon completion of **ALL FIVE (5) SESSIONS**.
3. A pre-selection interview may be conducted after the initial application is received.
4. Applicants will be considered on individual merit. Preference may be given to individuals directly involved in production agriculture or natural resources. Diversity of people, geographic location, and industry type are also considered.
5. Spouses, siblings, and other relatives are encouraged to apply for separate classes.

**Full cost for the REAL Oregon program is over \$5,000 per participant. However, with support from committed REAL Oregon sponsors, we are able to reduce participant costs to \$2,000. Cost of the program is not meant as a barrier to participation. If you have concerns or need help finding sponsors, contact us.**

### **TUITION PAYMENT**

**Please indicate below how you want your tuition handled:**

- I will pay the participant fee (\$2000)
- My sponsor will pay my participant fee (\$2,000)
- My sponsor will pay the full cost for participation (\$5,000) and be listed as a REAL Oregon Program Sponsor at the class reception, on the website and in other promotional materials.

If I am selected as a participant in **REAL Oregon**, I will attend as a representative of:

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**It is important that REAL Oregon participants have the support and commitment of their families and employers for participation in this program. We encourage each applicant to have conversations with their spouse and their employer and clearly disclose the amount of time and commitment necessary to complete the program. By signing below, you are committing to attend and fully participate in every session.**

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Application, including required signature, two (2) letters of recommendation, and the essay, MUST be received by the close of business on August 12, 2022.***

Completed applications can be emailed to: greg@addingtonconsulting, or mailed to:

**REAL Oregon**  
c/o Addington Consulting  
10410 Matney Way  
Klamath Falls, OR 97603

*For questions, call Greg Addington at 541-892-1409  
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