

## COID WATERSHED PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

COID is working with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Farmers Conservation Alliance (FCA) to develop a Watershed Plan-Environmental Assessment that supports irrigation modernization and provide local environmental benefits.

COID's modernization projects will convert open irrigation canals to piped and pressurized systems. The projects would:

- Support existing agriculture through improved water delivery reliability
- Improve water conservation in district conveyance systems
- Reduce operation and maintenance costs for farmers and the districts
- Enhance habitat for fish and aquatic species by permanently conserving water instream
- Improve public safety by eliminating risks from open canals

A Draft Watershed Plan/Environmental Assessment identifying alternatives to meet the project's purpose and need, identify the resources potentially affected by the project, and evaluate the effects of the project on those resources was released for public review on January 16, 2020.

For more information follow this link: <https://oregonwatershedplans.org/central-oregon-id>