

## What is H2OEO?

Water for Eastern Oregon (H2OEO) is a non-profit coalition of businesses and community organizations in Morrow and Umatilla counties supporting efforts to provide clean drinking water to every household and resident.

The coalition responded to the 2022 groundwater public health emergency by providing clean water, testing kits, filtration systems and educational materials to residents and began collaborating with government and community organizations to work toward long-term solutions.

## We actively support the health and wellness of all residents.

- We are invested in creating communities where families and workforce can thrive. With deep ties to these communities, we are well-suited to be the “boots on the ground” and offer immediate resources and direct education.

## We seek long-term solutions to complex water issues in the Basin.

- Water contamination has been around for decades and requires science-driven solutions that reflect local values to protect precious resources for generations to come.

## We drive collaboration among businesses, government, and community organizations.

- By tapping into already existing channels like workforce and civic organizations, we can efficiently share reliable information from government sources and updates on how to be involved with solutions.

## We follow science to mitigate current impacts and restore the groundwater system.

- Meaningful groundwater monitoring and peer-reviewed research are necessary components to creating a sustainable recovery plan and long-term success.

## Who is testing local wells?

We initially provided tests for more than 300 wells and are now supporting state and county efforts by getting the word out about free testing programs at [bit.ly/TestMyWell](https://bit.ly/TestMyWell)

## What is the LUBGWMA?

The Lower Umatilla Basin Groundwater Management Area was established in 1990 to identify and implement practices to reduce groundwater nitrates. It is 562 square miles (larger than Multnomah County) and includes a variety of geological and hydrological features that affect groundwater movement and storage.

