EPA LT2, Bull Run Water Treatment Plants, and Costly, Unneccessary, Buried Storage Tanks

The result is corporate benefit over Portland's community interest, and it's no accident.

Many corporations were involved, but here's the outline of Portland's role:

Ex Portland Water Bureau executive Joe Glicker seems to be the chief architect of the corporate vision for Portland's Bull Run system.

He has been influencing Portland Water Bureau policy, and been on corporate retainer, almost constantly for 30 years.

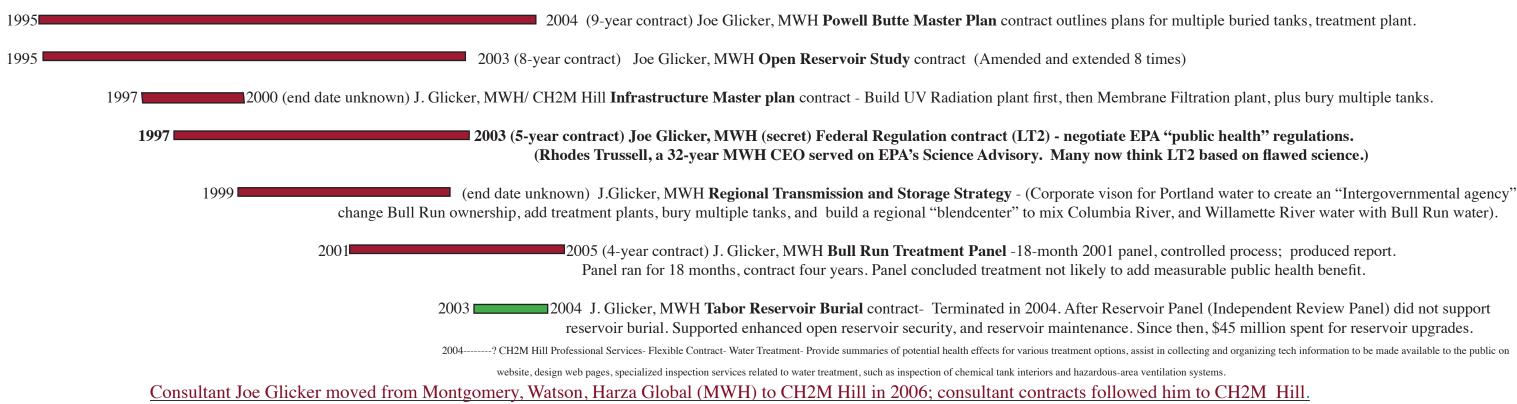
His employment history:

Portland Water Bureau (PWB) 1980-1994 (Engineer, manager, whose job title changed over the years.)

Montgomery Watson Harza Global (MWH) 1995-2006 regional vice president CH2M Hill 2006-present regional vice president

Upon leaving the Portland Water Bureau, aided by a Portland Water Bureau-dominated selection committee, Joe Glicker immediately secured lucrative Portland Water Bureau consultant contracts for his new employer the global corporation, MWH. Through this string of overlapping and interrelated consultant contracts, Glicker, who was influential in negotiating the EPA LT2, has been able to set the corporate-benefiting course for the future of our Bull Run open reservoir system. Unnecessary additional Bull Run treatment plants and buried tanks are projects that will degrade our system, create new and unique public health risks, create massive debt, and more than double our water bills, all while providing no measurable public health benefit. None of this has been possible without the support of City Council. It's highly possible that, as a result of these unnecessary projects the system will become more unaffordable, and with the budget overloaded with debt, the persistent corporate dream of partial, or full privatization beginning with an "Intergovernmental Agency" will become a reality, ending Portlands's sole public ownership of our water supply.

Bull Run treatment plant and buried tank CONSULTANT CONTRACT history: Source: Oregon Public Record requests 2002- present. Study contracts 1995 to 2005 were awarded without transparency or any public process 1989--1993 Montgomery, Watson Bull Run Water Treatment Study (Joe Glicker was not yet employed by MWH)



2010 CH2M Hill LT2 related UV Radiation Plant pre-design work hidden under "Water Main" Flexible Service contract. Providing unfair insider advantantage for larger UV design contract. 2012 CH2M Hill LT2 Powell Butte II Buried Tank Design (J. Glicker handled Powell Butte 2003 land use with requirement that any tank built must be started by 2013.) 2009 ■ (end date unknown) CH2M Hill LT2 Bull Run source water "Variance Track" contract (Conflict of interest - CH2M Hill working on both "build" track and alternative "variance" track.) Oct., 2013 (3.5 year contract) MWH LT2 **Kelly Butte buried storage tank** --as Mt Tabor reservoir replacement. March 2010 May 2010 Dec. 31, 2014 (4.5 year contract) CH2M Hill LT2 Bull Run Watershed UV Radiation Treatment Plant Design 2013 CH2M Hill Flexible Service contract project list undisclosed; includes \$\$ for public relations

For background details on cozy consultant contract history see: http://www.friendsofreservoirs.org/background.html Other major capital projects not noted here have flowed to the same consultant/corporation. The community has not been allowed to determine what goes into the PWB's Capital Program; In almost every case above, Public Involvement, if any at all, took place only *after* corporate contracts were awarded.