

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA – July 12, 2016

Port of Cascade Locks, Marine Park Pavilion
355 WaNaPa Street, Cascade Locks, Oregon

- 9:00 a.m.** **Committee Meetings** (*these will be combined and meet as a group*)
- **Outreach Committee**
 - **Communications Committee**
- 10:00 a.m.** **Call to Order and Roll**
- 10:05 a.m.** **Welcome:** Gordon Zimmerman, Cascade Locks City Administrator
- 10:10 a.m.** **Approval of Minutes for May10, 2016 Commission Meeting**
- 10:15 a.m.** **Opportunity for Treaty Tribe Nations to Address Commission**
As part of the Government-to-Government consultation process the Commission welcomes input from treaty tribe members on any issue on the agenda and any other matters
- 10:20 a.m.** **Public Comment ***
- 10:25 a.m.** **Special Presentation: Oil and Coal Transport through the Gorge:** Brady B. Kent, Water Quality Specialist, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation
- 11:15 a.m.** **Break**
- 11:25 a.m.** **Economic Development Strategy in the National Scenic Area*:** Amanda Hoey, Executive Director for Mid-Columbia Economic Development and Oregon Investment Board, and Pat Albaugh, Executive Director of the Economic Development Commission and Washington Investment Board, will make a presentation on the work of OIB/WIB and their newly adopted strategy.
- 12:00 p.m.** **LUNCH**
- 12:30 p.m.** **Retreat Review—Where do we go from here?***: Review the highlights of the June 14, 2016 retreat and determine next steps to create a 10-year vision for the National Scenic Area.
- 1:00 p.m.** **2017-2019 Commission Budget*:** The Commission will discuss a draft budget for the 2017-2019 biennium for Oregon and Washington. The budget will include the Commission’s current priorities and emerging needs in the National Scenic Area.
- 1:30 p.m.** **Committee Reports: Outreach and Communications** Committees will present information about the outcomes from the morning discussions. Other committees may also provide updates as needed
- 1:45 p.m.** **Executive Director’s Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski
- **New Website re-design** (view it at www.gorgecommission.org)
 - **Urban Area Boundaries update**
 - **Management Plan review process**
- 2:00 p.m.** **Federal Response to the Mosier Train Derailment:** Richard Franklin, Federal On-Scene Coordinator, U.S. EPA Region 10, Portland Office, will discuss their emergency response program and the coordinated response to the train derailment in Mosier.

- 3:00 p.m.** **Regional Transportation Vision in the National Scenic Area*:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski will report on meetings held with WA and OR transportation partners and discuss the “lens” by which the Commission may evaluate transportation project priorities in the NSA, and a general vision statement for the Commission to adopt. (Action item)
- 3:20 p.m.** **U.S. Forest Service Area Manager’s Report:** Lynn Burditt
- 3:35 p.m.** **Other Business**
Please Note: *There will be no Commission meeting in August. The next Commission meeting is on September 13, 2016 at the Discovery Center in The Dalles, Oregon.*
- 3:45 p.m.** **Adjourn**

NOTE: The times listed on the agenda are approximate. The chair of the Commission reserves the opportunity to change the order and time of the items if earlier agenda items run long or to accommodate invited speakers’ schedules.

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GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Commission welcomes your input and offers the following guidelines for making your comments the most effective. If you wish to speak to the Commission during the public comment period or to address one of the agenda items marked for public input, please carefully and completely fill out a sign-up sheet clearly indicating which item or items in you wish to participate. Please respect the Commission meeting by handing your completed sheet and any written testimony or other documents to the Commission’s Assistant prior to the start of the public comment on that item(s). The Commission’s Assistant sits at the end of the side table closest to the audience.

NOTE: The chair reserves the right to not to hear comments if a comment sign-up sheet is incomplete or illegible.

Be courteous and professional.

Your message is best received if it has a neutral and professional tone.
Address the issues and facts that are of interest to you, not personalities.

Effective use of public comment time.

All speakers will be offered three (3) minutes to express their thoughts. The Chair may announce a change in a meeting’s time limits in order to keep the meeting on schedule.

Plan your speaking points in advance to help ensure a clear message for the Commission to hear. The points you are making will have the most impact if you can ensure their accuracy. Organize your thoughts in the following manner: your Point, Reasoning, an Example of your point, and Summary of your point. The Commission strives to use this P.R.E.S. model in its own discussions and will be listening for these parts of your message.

Please be respectful of your time so that others may also have an opportunity to speak.

Submitting written comments.

If you would like your comments entered into the record, please bring a printed original for the record. If you like you may email your comments to the Commission prior to the meeting, or bring 15 printed copies to the meeting. Your written comments may contain more information and detail than your oral public comments.

Thank you again for commenting on issues important to you. We appreciate your interest the future of the National Scenic Area and the time and thought you put into your comments.