

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA – September 13, 2016

Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
5000 Discovery Drive, The Dalles, Oregon

- 8:45 a.m. Committee Meetings**
- **Assessment Committee**
 - **Tribal Relations Committee**
- 10:00 a.m. Call to Order and Roll**
- 10:05 a.m. Welcome: City of The Dalles**
- 10:10 a.m. Approval of Minutes for July 12, 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 ***
- 10:30 a.m. Travel Oregon: Gorge Tourism Studio for the National Scenic Area:** Kristin Dahl, Travel Oregon; Kevin Gorman, Friends of the Columbia Gorge; Casey Roeder, Columbia Gorge Tourism Alliance and the Skamania Chamber of Commerce; and Stan Hinatsu, U.S. Forest Service will present the process and outcomes of the Gorge Tourism Studio, a six-month collaborative effort facilitated by Travel Oregon
- 11:30 a.m. Follow-Up to the Mosier Oil Train Derailment and the Washington State New Oil Transport Law and Implementation Rules:** Robert Duff, Senior Policy Advisor – Natural Resources and Environment, Washington Governor’s Policy Office; and Dale Jensen, Spills Program Manager, Washington Department of Ecology; and Jason Lewis, Senior Transportation and Legislative Policy Advisor, Utilities and Transportation Commission
- 12:30 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:15 p.m. Vital Sign Indicators Update *:** Jessica Gist, Natural Resources Planner, will present an update on recent staff work and next steps for implementing VSI.
- 1:45 p.m. Committee Reports: *Assessment* and *Tribal Relations*** Committees will present information about the outcomes from the morning discussions. Other committees may also provide updates as needed.
- 2:00 p.m. Executive Director’s Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski
- Recruitment for new NSA Planner
 - Final Budget for FY 16 and Budget Request for FY 17-19
 - IT Security Audit
 - Legislative Strategy and Commissioners’ Involvement
 - October Commission Meeting Preview:
 - Management Plan “Gorge 2020” Roadmap—introduction for October Commission meeting
 - Urban Area Boundaries Legal Descriptions
 - Visual Monitoring Points/Key Viewing Areas in NSA Progress Report

- 2:20 p.m.** **U.S. Forest Service Area Manager's Report:** Robin Shoal, Natural Resources & Planning Staff Officer, U.S. Forest Service National Scenic Area
- 2:35 p.m.** **Other Business**
- 2:40 p.m.** **Executive Session:** The Commission will consult with counsel regarding current litigation or litigation likely to be filed pursuant to Section 350-11-006(g).
- 3:10 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.