

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA – February 9, 2016

(Updated 2/3/16)

Camas Public Library

625 NE 4th Avenue, Camas, Washington

8:30 a.m.

Committee Meetings

- Outreach Committee
- Communications Committee

10:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Roll

10:05 a.m.

Welcome: Scott Higgins, Mayor of Camas, Washington

10:10 a.m.

Approval of Minutes for January 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 *

10:35 a.m.

Regional Transportation Planning in the National Scenic Area * - Krystyna Wolniakowski, Executive Director, will present an update on developing a process to identify a list of transportation priorities for consideration by the Gorge Commission, in coordination with Oregon and Washington partners. This is a follow-up to the presentation by Paul Koch, Port of Cascade Locks, at the January 2016 Commission meeting.

11:00 a.m.

Break

11:15 a.m.

Remember, Restore, Reconnect – The Historic Columbia River Highway and State Trail Update * - Wayne Stewart, Chair Historic Columbia River Highway Advisory Committee, and Kristen Stallman, ODOT Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Coordinator, will present a 12 minute video and make a presentation on the 100th anniversary of the Historic Columbia River Highway.

11:45 p.m.

FAST Act Special Presentation: Trevor Sleeman, ODOT Federal Affairs Advisor and Tribal Liaison, will present the FAST ACT and the NSA—background on the new transportation bill

12:15 p.m.

LUNCH

12:30 p.m.

Information Item “Fossil Fuel Transportation: National and Regional Perspectives”

Eric de Place, Policy Director, Sightline Institute, is a researcher and leading expert on energy policy and fossil fuel transport. Sightline is a public policy institute He will present updated information on fossil fuel transportation issues.

1:00 p.m.

Final Decision on Proposed Language to Address the Remand for Natural and Cultural Resources in the Management Plan *

Jeff Litwak, Legal Counsel, will present final language for the Commission’s adoption to address the Oregon Court of Appeals remand for cultural and natural resources.

1:30 p.m.

Committee Reports: Outreach and Communications Committees will present a brief summary about the outcomes from their morning discussions.

- 1:50 p.m. Executive Director's Report**
- Transition Plan/Vacancies: Principal Planner and GIS/Planner
 - Klickitat County Update
 - Listening Session with Tribes on Fossil Fuel Transport in the NSA
 - Financial Audit Results 2011-2015
 - Summary of WA Legislative Hearing on January 22, 2016
 - Gorge-ous Night Out (February 3 in Salem and February 9 in Olympia)
- 2:05 p.m. U.S. Forest Service Area Manager's Report**
- 2:20 p.m. Other business**
- 2:30 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.