



Columbia River Gorge Commission Commission Meeting

November 12, 2025 – 8:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
via Zoom Webinar

**ZOOM LINK to register for the November 12, 2025, Gorge
Commission Meeting:**

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AGENDA

- 8:30 a.m. Begin Call/Sign-In – Test for video and audio connections**
- 8:30 a.m. Call to Order and Roll**
- 8:33 a.m. Approval of the September 9, 2025, Commission Meeting Minutes**
- 8:35 a.m. Land Acknowledgment – Chair Michael Mills**
- 8:38 a.m. Treaty Tribe Word of the Day – Carina Miller**
- 8:40 a.m. Public Comment* for items related to the National Scenic Area not on the agenda.**
- 8:50 a.m. Executive Director’s Report – Krystyna U. Wolniakowski, Executive Director, and staff will provide updates on actions taken by staff to assist landowners impacted by the Rowena and Burdoin fires, meetings with county commissions, meetings with treaty tribes, and legislator outreach.**
- 9:10 a.m. USDA Forest Service Report – Donna Mickley, Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Forest Supervisor, and Casey Catz, Resources, Planning and Lands Staff Officer, will provide an update on USDA Forest Service activities in the National Scenic Area.**

- 9:20 a.m. Disaster Replacement Amendment Hearing***
The Gorge Commission will hold a public hearing and may vote on a proposed Plan Amendment to the Management Plan that addresses rebuilding in the National Scenic Area after a disaster.
- 10:00 a.m. Opportunity for Treaty Tribe Nations to Address the Commission on the Plan Amendment, other items on the agenda, or any other matters.**
- 10:40 a.m. Public Comment on the Plan Amendment** (approximate time)
- 11:50 a.m. Break after Plan Amendment Hearing**
- 12:00 p.m. 2026 Commission Meeting Schedule and Work Plan Priorities**
- 12:30 p.m. Committee Reports:**
- Communications Committee
 - Economic Vitality Committee
- 1:00 p.m. Elections for 2026 Chair and Vice-Chair**
- 1:30 p.m. Other Business**
- 1:45 p.m. Adjourn**

NOTE: The * indicates that comments are welcome and are limited to three minutes.

The times listed on the agenda are approximate. The Commission Chair reserves the right to change the order and time of the items if earlier agenda items run long or to accommodate invited speakers' schedules.

Meeting materials are available on our website [November 12, 2025, Gorge Commission Meeting](#).

GUIDELINES FOR COMMENTING

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 comment period or to address one of the agenda items marked for comment, please:

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 comment time – All speakers will be offered three minutes to express their thoughts. The Chair may announce a change in a meeting's time limits 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 ensure their accuracy. Organize your thoughts in the following manner: your Point, Reasoning, an Example of your point, and a Summary of your point. The Commission strives to use this P.R.E.S. model in its discussions and will be listening to these parts of your message.

Please be mindful of your time so others have a chance to speak.

Submitting Written Comments

If you would like your comments entered into the record, please email your written comments to PublicComment@gorgecommission.org by noon on Monday, November 10, 2025. This allows the Commissioners adequate time to review your comments before the meeting.

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