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**WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION
VIRTUAL MEETING
September 1, 2022
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
AGENDA**

HOW TO JOIN THE COMMISSION MEETING:

The public is invited to participate in the virtual meeting in a number of ways:

YouTube Live Stream: You may view the meeting via YouTube live stream by clicking on this link: <https://youtu.be/t58gcjhKaaU>. Public comment will not be accepted through this platform. Please note there may be a slight delay when streaming the meeting content. ***In order to preserve bandwidth for presenters and individuals providing comment, the Department highly encourages those who are not presenting or providing comment to utilize this method to view or listen to the meeting.***

Join by Zoom via Videoconference: You may join the meeting by clicking on this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81939588207?pwd=S1hrK3F5TGV2eUo1djBCalZHc3JyZz09>. To prevent background noise, all attendees will be muted upon joining the meeting. To improve bandwidth during the meeting, only members of the Commission, Department staff, and those presenting or addressing the Commission will appear on video display. ***Please see page 2-3 for instructions on how to submit public comment.***

Join by Zoom via Telephone: You may join the meeting by dialing 1(253)215-8782. When prompted, enter the meeting ID (819 3958 8207) and passcode (352194). To prevent background noise, all callers will be muted upon joining the meeting. ***Please see page 2-3 for instructions on how to submit public comment.***

Timing of Agenda Items: If a specific time is indicated for an agenda item, every effort will be made to consider the item as close to the scheduled time as possible. However, because of the uncertain length of time needed for each agenda item, scheduled times may be modified. Those wishing to hear discussion on a specific item should join at the beginning of the meeting to avoid missing the discussion.

Meeting Materials: Staff reports for individual agenda items, when available, can be found on the Commission's website by clicking on the following link: https://apps.wrd.state.or.us/apps/misc/wrd_notice_view/Default.aspx?notice_id=41.

COMMISSION MEETING: Thursday, September 1, 2022 (10:00 AM – 2:00 PM)

- A. Commissioner Comments (10:00 AM – 10:30 AM)**
Commissioners will report on their recent activities, share information, and comment on a variety of water resource topics.
- B. Approval of Minutes (10:30 AM – 10:35 AM)**
The minutes of the June 16-17, 2022 meeting will be presented for Commission approval. *The Commission will be asked to approve the minutes.*
- C. Director's Report (10:35 AM – 11:05 AM)**
Tom Byler, Director, will provide an update on Department business and late-breaking issues. *This is an informational report.*

BREAK (11:05 AM – 11:15 AM)

- D. Project Implementation Update (11:15 AM – 12:45 PM)**
Tom Byler, Director, will discuss the implementation of projects following the 2021 Legislative Session, including the status of recruitments, projects, and rulemaking. In addition, several agency managers will brief the Commission on their workload responsibilities, priorities, and progress to date. *This is an informational report.*

LUNCH (12:45 PM – 1:30 PM)

- E. 2021 Field Services Division Activity Update (1:30 PM – 2:00 PM)**
Ivan Gall, Field Services Division Administrator, will update the Commission on 2021 Field Services Division activities and regulatory actions. *This is an informational report.*
- F. Public Comment and Other Issues (Approximately 2:00 PM)**

MEETING PROCEDURES

Agenda items are generally taken in the order listed above. However, under certain circumstances the Commission may elect to take an item out of order.

- * **Public Testimony and Written Comments:** The Commission encourages public comment on any agenda item, however public testimony is limited on items marked with an asterisk (*). Items marked with an asterisk are subject to a formal public hearing or contested case hearing. Please note the Commission cannot accept comments on items with an asterisk, as the public comment period for those items is closed.

Written Comments: Early delivery of written comments is strongly encouraged. To ensure full consideration by the Commission, written comments should be sent to [Nirvana Cook](#) via email by 1:00 PM on Monday, August 29. **Please note Commissioners may not have sufficient time to review materials received after the recommended deadline.** A confirmation email will be sent. If you do not receive a confirmation email or have questions about submission of written public comment, please contact Nirvana Cook at (503)798-3196.

Oral Comments: Oral comments may be limited to three minutes. Comments relating to a specific agenda item will be heard by the Commission as each agenda item is considered. Comments on other topics may be made during the public comment period. To make an oral comment, you must electronically submit an Oral Public Comment Request Form or notify [Nirvana Cook](#) by email or phone prior to the start of the meeting. **The Commission will do its best to accommodate requests received after the start of the meeting, however, please note it may not be feasible.** Oral Public Comment Request Forms can be found on the Commission’s webpage.

To find the form, click on the following link and scroll to the bottom of the webpage: www.oregon.gov/owrd/aboutus/Commission/Pages/default.aspx. A confirmation email will be sent. If you do not receive a confirmation email or have questions about making oral public comment, please contact Nirvana Cook at (503)798-3196.

Executive Session: The Commission may also convene in a confidential Executive Session where, by law, only members of the press and Department staff may attend. Before convening such a session, the presiding Commission member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

Special Accommodations: If special accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise Nirvana Cook (contact information below) as soon as possible, but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Staff Contact: If you have any questions about this agenda or the Commission’s procedures, please contact Nirvana Cook at nirvana.z.cook@water.oregon.gov or (503)798-3196.

WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

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Kathy Kihara	Bend	East Side at Large	2025
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