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## **Oregon Water Resources Commission**

### **Meeting Agenda**

**March 13 - 14, 2025**

725 Summer St. NE, Rooms 124A & B, Salem, OR  
and virtual via Zoom

### **Day 1 of Commission Meeting**

#### **A. Division 512 Rulemaking Update – 8:00 - 9:30 am**

Jason Spriet, East Region Manager, Tim Seymour, Assistant Groundwater Section Manager, and Kelly Mainz, Water Policy Analyst, will provide an update on model iteration results, discuss the plan for adaptive management in the Harney Basin, and present their proposed management plan. *This is an information report.*

#### **B. Integrated Water Resources Strategy Update – 9:30 - 10:30 am**

Crystal Grinnell, Integrated Water Resources Strategy Specialist, will provide an update on the content and timeline for Draft 2 of the IWRS. *This is an informational report.*

**Break 10:30 - 10:45 am**

#### **C. Strategic Plan Update – 10:45 am - 12:15 pm**

Laura Tesler, Policy Advisor and Danielle Gonzalez, Policy Section Manager will present an update on the development of the OWRD 2025-2030 Strategic Plan. *This is an informational update.*

**Lunch – Rogue Room 12:15 - 1:15 pm**

#### **D. Request for an Exception to the Sandy Basin Program by City of Tualatin under ORS 536.295 – 1:15 - 1:45 pm**

Martin Sanchez, Hydroelectric Project Analyst for OWRD, will present the application from the City of Tualatin for a minor hydroelectric project. *The Commission will be asked to consider an exception to the Sandy Basin Program to allow power generation.*

#### **E. \*Proposed Rulemaking for Division 601: Best Practices in Community Engagement for Water Projects – 1:45 - 2:45 pm**

Charlotte R. Whitefield, Community Engagement Coordinator, Margo Mashkovskaya, Policy Analyst, and Adair Muth, Grant Manager, will present on the proposed Division 601 rulemaking. The proposed rules identify community engagement best practices when the department funds community engagement plans for water projects funded through Feasibility Study Grants and Water Projects Grants and Loans. *The Commission will be asked to consider adoption of the new rules.*

**Break 2:45 - 3:00 pm**

**F. \*Proposed Rulemaking for Division 602: Place-Based Water Planning – 3:00 - 4:00 pm**

Lili Prah, Planning Coordinator, Margo Mashkovskaya, Policy Analyst, and Adair Muth, Grant Manager, will present on the proposed division 602 rulemaking related to Place-Based Water Planning (ORS 537.872 and 537.873). *The Commission will be asked to consider adoption of the rules.*

**Adjourn**

**Day 2 of Commission Meeting**

**G. Budget & Legislative Update – 8:00 - 9:30 am**

Bryn Hudson, Legislative Coordinator, and Lisa Snyder, Administrative Services Division Administrator will provide an update on the 2025 Legislative Session. *This is an informational report.*

**H. Director's Report – 9:30 - 10:15 am**

Ivan Gall, Director, will provide an update on Department business and late-breaking issues. *This is an informational report and includes informational report outs.*

**Break 10:15 – 10:30 am**

**I. Approval of Meeting minutes – 10:30 - 10:35 am**

The minutes of the December 2024 meeting will be presented for Commission approval. *The Commission will be asked to approve the minutes.*

**J. Commissioner Comments – 10:35 - 11:05 am**

Commissioners will report on their recent activities, share information, and comment on a variety of water resource topics.

**K. Public Comment and Other Issues – 11:05 - 11:30 am**

**Adjourn**

## **MEETING LOCATION AND PROCEDURES**

**Meeting Format:** Members of the public may join in-person or virtually.

**In-Person:** 725 Summer St. NE, Rooms 124A & B, Salem, OR 97301

### **Virtual Meeting Information – Day 1**

Observe By YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@OregonGovWRD/live>

Attend By Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85699024981?pwd=Npn2jzsdgYJS9bpDa1ZVOuDdwOgOZk.1>

Attend By Phone: (253) 215 8782      Meeting ID:856 9902 4981      Passcode: 301237

### **Virtual Meeting Information – Day 2**

Observe By YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@OregonGovWRD/live>

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**Timing of Agenda Items:** 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. If a specific time is indicated for an agenda item, every effort will be made to consider the agenda 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.

**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](https://apps.wrd.state.or.us/apps/misc/wrd_notice_view/Default.aspx?notice_id=41)

\* **Public Testimony and Comments:** Items marked with an asterisk have been subject to a formal public hearing or contested case hearing. Please note the Commission cannot accept testimony or comments on items with an asterisk, as the public comment period for those items has closed.

**Written Comments:** Early delivery of written comments is strongly encouraged. To ensure full consideration by the Commission, written comments should be sent to the staff contact below via email by 5:00 PM on Monday, March 10, 2025. *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 follow up with the staff contact below.

**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 the staff contact below by phone or email 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](#).

**Executive Session and Meals:** 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 Commissioner will make a public announcement and explain the necessary procedures. Oregon's Public Meetings Law requires disclosure that Commission members may meet for meals during the days prior to and days of the meeting.

**Special Accommodations:** If special accommodations are needed, please advise staff contact 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:

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Jan Lee	Sandy	Northwest Region	2025
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