



Special Water Resources Commission Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2025

Virtual Meeting, Salem, Oregon

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Commission Meeting – Friday, October 3, 2025

Attendees

All participants and attendees were virtual

Commissioners	OWRD Staff		Others		
Julie Smitherman	Ivan Gall	Racquel Rancier	Milen Bowen	Stacy Clark	Chandra Ferrari
Kathy Kihara	Mindy Lane	Doug Woodcock	John A. Short	Ken Bierly	Patty Dorroh
Janet Neuman	Cassidy Fredlund	Jason Spriet	Caylin Barter	Zach Freed	Laura A Schroeder
Joe Moll	Kelly Meinz	Justin Iverson	Jared Wedel	Lisa Brown	Dominic Bachman
Woody Wolfe	Laura Hartt	Maggie Sommer	Breanna	Chris Hall	Sue Arbuthnot
Jan Lee	Jason Cox	Kim Fritz-Ogren	Jerry Grondin	Ken Bentz	Kristen Shelman
	Bryn Hudson	Annette Liebe	Mario Petrilli	Heather M.	Nicholas Green
	Tim Seymour	Susan Douthit	Mike	Becker	Lewis Flippence
	Ben Scandella	Steve Ahlquist	Jeff Nadeau	Karen Moon	Laurie O'Connor
	Jeana Eastman	Darrick Boschmann	Bobby Cochran	Gordon Lyford	Melissa Petschauer
			Conor Butkus	Todd Titus	Scott Montgomery
			Mike Billman	Richard	Elizabeth Howard
			Marika Sitz	Don Cody	Owen McMurtrey
			Kellie Frank	Jen	Rick Eichstaedt
			Camille Torres	Christopher Hicks	Alejandro Figueroa
			City of Hines	Schwabe	Barbara Cannady
			Carl Newman	Kirby Isaac	Matthew Bearden
			Jacob Davis	Tom Davis	Kurt Blackburn
			Dan Otley	Fred Otley	Bryce Otley
			Erik Steen	Andy Root	Sabrina Maki
			Tony Hackett	Donald Doverspike	Harney Public Comments
			Mario Petrilli	Erick Keerins	Lorissa Singhose

[Vice-Chair Smitherman convened the meeting.](#)

A. [Amending and adopting Division 512 rules concerning groundwater management in the Malheur Lake administrative basin; Petition for](#)

[Rulemaking to Amend Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 690, Division 512](#)

Rep Mark Owens and others from the City of Hines and City of Burns were given 45 minutes to present on their petition.

The Commissioners accepted public comments on the petition for rulemaking and the Department's proposed amendments to amend Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 12.

[Darrick Boschmann, Hydrogeologist, presented the Department's technical evaluation of the petition to amend Division 512.](#)

[Commission Discussion](#)

[Commissioner Moll questions](#)

[Commissioner Neuman questions](#)

[Public Comment, Milen Bowen](#)

[Director Gall Comment](#)

[Public Comment from Water Partner Groups](#)

[Commission Discussion and Questions](#)

[Public Comment, Christopher Hicks](#)

[Public Comment, Nicholas Green](#)

[Public Comment, Dominic Bachman](#)

[Public Comment, Kurt Blackburn](#)

[Public Comment, Tom Davis](#)

[Public Comment, Dan Otley](#)

[Public Comment, Bryce Otley](#)

[Public Comment, Lewis Flippence](#)

[Public Comment, Sabrina Maki](#)

[Public Comment, Jacob Davis](#)

[Public Comment, Andy Root](#)

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[Public Comment, Kristen Shelman](#)

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[Public Comment, Fred Otley](#)

[Public Comment, Carl Newman](#)

[Vice-Chair Smitherman closing comments.](#)

[The meeting was adjourned.](#)

Submitted by Mindy Lane, Executive Support, Director's Office.