

Water Resources Department

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OREGON WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING

January 26 & 27, 2017
Water Resources Department
Conference Room 124
725 Summer Street NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

AGENDA

If a specific time is indicated for an agenda item, an effort will be made to consider that item as close to that 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 of an item should arrive at the beginning of the meeting to avoid missing the item.

A public comment period will be provided at approximately 11:15 am on Friday for issues not included on the agenda. Public comment on agenda items will be taken as each item is considered by the Commission. Asterisks denote items on which public comment may be limited (please see page 3).

Staff reports for individual agenda items, when available, will be on the Commission's website at http://www.wrd.state.or.us/files/Publications/staff_reports/.

COMMISSION MEETING: Thursday, January 26 (9:00 am)

- A. Secretary of State's Performance Audit (9:00 am 11:00 pm)

 Tom Byler, Director, and the Commission will discuss the audit. *This is an informational report*.
- B. 2017 Update to Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy (11:00 pm 11:45 am) Alyssa Mucken, IWRS Coordinator, will provide an overview of activities related to updating Oregon's Integrated Water Resources Strategy. *This is an informational report*.

LUNCH BREAK (11:45 am – 1:00 pm)

C. Groundwater Work Plan Update (1:00 pm – 1:45 pm)

Brenda Bateman, Technical Services Division Administrator, and Justin Iverson, Groundwater Manager, will provide a status update on the development of the work plan. *This is an informational report*.

D. Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Concern (GHVGAC) Update (1:45 pm – 2:30 pm)

Dwight French, Water Right Services Division Administrator, Justin Iverson, Groundwater Manager, and Harmony Burright, Place-Based Planning Coordinator, will provide an update on the status of actions in the Greater Harney Valley as required by rules previously adopted by the Commission. *This is an informational report*.

E. Walla Walla Subbasin Division 507 Rulemaking Update (2:30 pm – 3:15 pm)

Brenda Bateman, Technical Services Division Administrator, Justin Iverson, Groundwater Manager, will brief the Commission on the status of the rulemaking and community outreach in the Walla Subbasin. *This is an informational report*.

BREAK (3:15 pm - 3:30 pm)

F. Request for Concurrence on the Adoption of Management Rules for the Chetco and Molalla Scenic Waterways (3:30 pm – 4:00 pm)

Brenda Bateman, Technical Services Division Administrator, and, Ken Stahr, Hydographics Manager, will present a request for concurrence on the adoption of rules for the management of the Molalla and Chetco Scenic Waterways. *The Commission will be asked to concur with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission's rules*

G. Overview of the Report of the Task Force on Drought Emergency Response (4:00 pm – 5:00 pm)

Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, will present an overview of the Task Force's recommendations. *This is an informational report*.

COMMISSION MEETING: Friday, January 27 (8:00 am)

H. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 13 and 14, 2016 meeting will be presented for Commission approval. *The Commission will be asked to approve the minutes.*

I. Commission Comments

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

J. Director's Report

Director Tom Byler will update the Commission on Department business and late-breaking issues. *This is an informational report*.

K. Budget Update (8:45 am – 9:15 am)

Lisa Snyder, Acting Administrative Services Division Administrator, and Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, will provide an overview of the Governor's Recommended Budget. *This is an informational report.*

L. Legislative Update (9:15 am – 9:45 am)

Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, will provide preview of the 2017 Legislative Session. *This is an informational report*.

M. Evaluation of Key Performance Measures (9:45 am – 10:15 am)

Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, will brief the Commission on the process the Department intends to use to evaluate and review its Key Performance Measures. *The Commission will be asked for feedback on this process*.

BREAK (10:15 pm - 10:30 pm)

N. Process Improvement Update (10:30 am – 11:15 am)

Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, and Brenda Bateman, Technical Services Administrator, will discuss the recent activities related to process improvement. *This is an informational report.*

O. Public Comment (approximately 11:15 am)

P. Other Issues

Meeting Procedures: Generally, agenda items will be taken in the order above. However, in certain circumstances, the Commission may elect to take an item out of order. Please be aware that topics not listed on the agenda may be introduced during the Commission Comment period, the Director's Report, the Public Comment period, Other Issues or at other times during the meeting.

Oregon's Public Meetings Law requires disclosure that Commission members may meet for meals on Thursday and Friday.

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. Others will be asked to leave the room during these discussions, which usually deal with current or potential litigation. Before convening such a session, the presiding Commission member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

Public Testimony: The Commission encourages public comment on any agenda item. However, public testimony may be limited on items marked with an asterisk (). The asterisk means that the item has already been the subject of a formal public hearing or contested case hearing. On certain items marked with an asterisk, the Commission may be authorized to allow public comments. People wishing to speak to the Commission are asked to fill out a comment request sheet (available at the information table). 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 on Friday at approximately 11:15 am.

Every attempt will be made to share with the Commission written comments that are delivered to the Director's Office in advance of the meeting date. Early delivery of written comments is strongly encouraged so that Commissioners have sufficient opportunity to review materials prior to the meeting. To submit written comments directly to the Commission, please bring at least ten copies to the meeting.

Questions? If you have any questions about this agenda or the Commission's procedures, please call Cindy Smith, Commission Assistant, at 503-986-0876.

If special physical, language or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise Cindy Smith at the phone number above as soon as possible but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Water Resources Commission

(with city of residence, region represented, and year of term expiration)

The Commission is a seven-member citizen body that sets state water policy and oversees activities of the Water Resources Department.

John Roberts, Chair	Jacksonville	Southwest Region	2016
Ray Williams, Vice-Chair	Milton-Freewater	East Side at Large	2017
Eric Quaempts	Adams	North Central Region	2017
Meg Reeves	Corvallis	West Side at Large	2020
Bruce Corn	Ontario	Eastern Region	2017
Bob Baumgartner	Tigard	Northwest Region	2017
Carol Whipple	Elkton	West Central Region	2017

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There are six 2-hour parking stalls located between our building and the Employment Building to the south. Parking is also available in the Yellow Lot which is located two blocks south of the building for a fee.