



**OREGON WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING**

**June 14 & 15, 2018**

**City of Redmond - Public Works Department**

**Training Room East and West**

**243 E. Antler Avenue**

**Redmond, Oregon 97756**

**AGENDA – Revised (6-7-18)**

*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 11:30 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 [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).*

**TOUR: Thursday, June 14, 2018**

The Commission will depart from the City of Redmond Public Works Department at 8:00 am. They will tour the Central Oregon Irrigation District's Juniper Ridge Power Plant and the Opal Springs Fish Passage Project and Power Plant. The group will return to the City of Redmond Public Works Department at 11:45 pm.

The public is invited to attend the tour, but transportation will be provided only for Commissioners and Department staff. If you wish to join the tour, you must make your own transportation arrangements. Please contact Cindy Smith at (503) 986-0876 by close of business, Monday, June 11, if you plan to attend.

Individuals attending the tour should bring comfortable close-toed shoes/boots, a jacket, and a hat.

**COMMISSION MEETING: Thursday, June 14 (1:00 pm)**

**Welcome from the Mayors of Redmond, Bend and La Pine (1:00 p.m. – 1:15 pm)**

Mayor George Endicott, City of Redmond; Mayor Casey Roats, City of Bend; and Mayor Dennis Scott, City of La Pine, will welcome the Commission and give a brief overview of the critical issues facing the cities.

**A. Report on 2017 Field Regulation and Enforcement Activities and Update from Watermaster District 11 (1:15 pm – 2:15 pm)**

Ivan Gall, Field Services Division Administrator, will report on 2017 field regulation and enforcement activities. Jeremy Giffin, District 11 Watermaster, will provide an overview of his district. *This is an informational report.*

**B. Klamath Basin Update (2:15 pm – 2:45 pm)**

Ivan Gall, Field Services Administrator, will provide an update on water-issues in the Klamath Basin. *This is an informational report.*

**C. Legislative and Budget Update (2:45 pm – 3:15 pm)**

Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, and Lisa Snyder, Administrative Services Division Administrator, will provide an overview of the Department's efforts in preparing for the 2019 Legislative Session. *This is an informational report.*

**BREAK (3:15 pm – 3:30 pm)**

**D. Review of Final Certificate for Permit 51439 and T-6621E - Umatilla River Exchange (3:30 pm – 4:00 pm)**

Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, will brief the Commission on the claim of beneficial use and public comments received. *The Commission will be asked to consider approving the Department's issuance of the water right certificate.*

**E. Harney Basin Groundwater Study and Planning Update (4:00 pm – 5:15 pm)**

Justin Iverson, Groundwater Manager; Mark Owens, Harney County Commissioner; and Brenda Smith, Executive Director of the High Desert Partnership, will provide an update on water-related efforts in the Harney Basin. *This is an informational report.*

**COMMISSION MEETING: Friday, June 15 (8:00 am)**

**General Business (8:00 am – 9:00 am)**

**F. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the December 2017, March 2018, and May 2018 meetings will be presented for Commission approval. *The Commission will be asked to approve the minutes.*

**G. Commission Comments**

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

**H. Director's Report**

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

**I. Strategic Planning (9:00 am – 10:30 am)**

Tom Byler, Director, and Kim Ogren, Water Resources Development Program Manager, will brief the Commission on the Department's ongoing strategic planning efforts. *This is an informational report.*

**BREAK (10:30 am – 10:45 am)**

**J. Scenic Waterway Briefing (10:45 am – 11:30 am)**

Brenda Bateman, Technical Services Division Administrator; Ken Stahr, Surface Water Section Manager; and Alex Phillips, Bikeways and Waterways Coordinator for Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, will provide an update on efforts underway and next steps regarding scenic waterway designations. *This is an informational report.*

**K. Public Comment (approximately 11:30 am)**

**L. 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 11:30 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.

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### **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.*

Meg Reeves, Chair	Corvallis	West Side at Large	2020
Bruce Corn	Ontario	Eastern Region	2021
Bob Baumgartner	Tigard	Northwest Region	2021
Mike Faught	Medford	Southwest Region	2021
Kathy Kihara	Bend	East Side at Large	2021
Eric Quaempts	Adams	North Central Region	2021
Joe Moll	Eugene	West Central Region	2021

### **DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING**

**From I-5** – take exit 253; head east onto OR-22 towards Detroit Lake/Bend; go 83 miles, at Santiam Junction, continue onto US 20E for another 26 miles; continue through Sisters; take left onto Hwy 126 towards Redmond for 19 miles; turn left onto Hwy 97N; go ½ mile, take slight right on E Antler. Go ¼ mile and location is on your left.

**From I-84** – take exit 87 towards Dufur/Bend; head south on US-30/US-197/Dalles California Hwy for 38 miles; as you enter Maupin, stay on US197 S for another 22 miles; follow US 197S for another 25 miles to Shaniko Junction, it will turn into US 97S; Continue south on US 97 for 27 miles; turn left onto SE Evergreen Avenue/OR-126; go 1/8 mile to SE Franklin Avenue, turn left; go ¼ mile, turn right onto E Antler. Location is on your left.