

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA – January 12, 2021
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Meeting will take place via ZOOM Webinar

- 8:15 a.m. **(Begin Call/Sign-in Testing for Video and Audio Connections -- Please review CRGC Zoom Protocol)**
- 8:30 a.m. **Call to Order and Roll**
- 8:35 a.m. **Approval of Minutes for December 8, 2020 Commission Meeting**
- 8:40 a.m. **Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Word of the Day:** Commissioner Carina Miller will share the word Yak'i k'ila as the word of the day.
- 8:45 a.m. **Opportunity for Treaty Tribe Nations to Address Commission:** As part of the Government-to-Government consultation process, the Commission welcomes input from treaty tribe members on any issue on the agenda and any other matters.
- 8:50 a.m. **Public Comment* for items not on the agenda.**
- 9:00 a.m. **Work Session: Commission “Best Practices” and Governance Performance Measures:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski, Executive Director, will review the staff report on the Commission’s best practices for Calendar Year 2020 and the Commission will provide definitions and parameters for some of the best practices where clarifications are necessary.
- 9:30 a.m. **Work Session: Commission Work Plan for 2021*:** Lisa Naas-Cook, Vital Sign Indicators (VSI) Planner and Joanna Kaiserman, Sr Land Use Planner, will discuss the proposed roadmap for 2021 Commission priority initiatives and proposed milestones as check-in points for Commission engagement and guidance. Commissioners may suggest/discuss Vital Sign Indicators for resource protection in preparation for a staff presentation at the February Commission meeting.
- 10:00 a.m. **Information Item: 2020 Annual Report for Compliance:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski, Executive Director, will present an overview of compliance issues resolved from 2019 and new pending compliance issues identified for 2020 and their status for resolution.
- 10:30 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:45 a.m. **Executive Director’s Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski will provide an update on Commission Initiatives and on agency operations.
- 11:15 a.m. **U.S. Forest Service NSA Manager’s Report:** Casey Gatz will provide an update on Forest Service activities in the National Scenic Area
- 11:30 p.m. **Other Business**
- 11:40 p.m. **Executive Session:** Executive Session pursuant to Commission Rule 350-11-006(1)(g) to consult with counsel concerning the Commission’s legal rights and duties with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.
- 12:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

NOTE: The * indicates that public comment is welcome and is limited to 3 minutes.

The times listed on the agenda are approximate. The chair of the Commission reserves the opportunity to change the order and time of the items if earlier agenda items run long or to accommodate invited speakers’ schedules.

Meeting materials are available on our website at: [January 12, 2021 Gorge Commission Meeting](#)

GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Commission welcomes your input and offers the following guidelines for making your comments the most effective. If you wish to speak to the Commission during the public comment period or to address one of the agenda items marked for public input, please follow the Public Commission Meeting Protocol found on our website at: [January 12, 2021 Gorge Commission Meeting](#)

Be courteous and professional.

Your message is best received if it has a neutral and professional tone.
Address the issues and facts that are of interest to you, not personalities.

Effective use of public comment time.

All speakers will be offered three (3) minutes to express their thoughts. The Chair may announce a change in a meeting's time limits in order to keep the meeting on schedule.

Plan your speaking points in advance to help ensure a clear message for the Commission to hear. The points you are making will have the most impact if you can ensure their accuracy. Organize your thoughts in the following manner: your Point, Reasoning, an Example of your point, and Summary of your point. The Commission strives to use this P.R.E.S. model in its own discussions and will be listening for these parts of your message.

Please be respectful of your time so that others may also have an opportunity to speak.

Submitting written comments.

If you would like your comments entered into the record, please email your written comments to PublicComment@gorgecommission.org before noon on January 11, 2021 to allow Commissioners adequate time to review your comments.

Thank you again for commenting on issues important to you. We appreciate your interest in the future of the National Scenic Area and the time and thought you put into your comments.