

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA – December 12, 2017
Best Western Hood River Inn, Riverview Room
1108 East Marina Way, Hood River, Oregon

- 9:00 a.m. Committee Meetings**
- Tribal Affairs
 - Assessment
- 10:00 a.m. Call to Order and Roll**
- 10:05 a.m. Welcome:** Dustin Nilsen, new City of Hood River Planning Director
- 10:10 a.m. Approval of Minutes for November 14, 2017 Commission Meeting**
- 10:15 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.
- 10:20 a.m. Public Comment ***
- 10:30 a.m. INFORMATION ITEM: *Presentation from Metro regarding garbage transport and disposal RFP-- Will Elder* *** Senior Solid Waste Operations Planner, Property and Environmental Services. Metro is in the process of soliciting proposals for the transport and disposal of waste received at its two public transfer stations. Four landfills under consideration are located east of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area but the waste will travel through the National Scenic Area.
- 11:00 a.m. INFORMATION ITEM: *Presentation by the Gorge Community Foundation-- Jill Burnette*,** Executive Director, will present information about the Gorge Community Foundation and process for setting up a “National Scenic Area Fund” for Gorge Commission projects.
- 11:45 a.m. Committee Reports: *Assessment* and *Tribal Affairs*** will provide reports on their morning meeting. Other committees may also provide updates as needed.
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:00 p.m. Executive Director’s Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski will provide updates on:
- Meeting with the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Council in Lapwai, ID
 - Meeting with Representative Gina McCabe in Goldendale
 - Introducing new staff planners Joanna Kaiserman and Bryce Guske
 - Progress with County Planning Directors and Gorge 2020 Planning Workgroups
 - Gorge 2020 Management Plan Review and Revision Process
 - Climate Change Panel for February 2018 and other upcoming topics for future Commission meetings
 - Reviewing and deciding on the 2018 Commission Meeting Schedule
- 1:30 p.m. U.S. Forest Service NSA Manager’s Report:** Lynn Burditt will provide an update on Forest Service activities in the National Scenic Area
- 2:00 p.m. Other Business**
- 2:10 p.m. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Executive Session pursuant to Commission Rule 350-11-006(1)(h) to discuss Executive Director 18-Month Performance Review
- 2:30 p.m. Adjourn**

NOTE: 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.

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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 carefully and completely fill out a sign-up sheet clearly indicating which item or items in you wish to participate. Please respect the Commission meeting by handing your completed sheet and any written testimony or other documents to the Commission's Assistant prior to the start of the public comment on that item(s). The Commission's Assistant sits at the end of the side table closest to the audience.

NOTE: The chair reserves the right to not to hear comments if a comment sign-up sheet is incomplete or illegible.

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 bring a printed original for the record. If you like you may email your comments to the Commission prior to the meeting, or bring 15 printed copies to the meeting. Your written comments may contain more information and detail than your oral public comments.

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