COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA – March 14, 2017
Metro Regional Center, Chambers Room
600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, Oregon

9:00 a.m. Committee Meetings
- Tribal Affairs Committee
- Assessment Committee

10:00 a.m. Call to Order and Roll

10:05 a.m. Welcome: Martha Bennett, Chief Operating Officer, Metro

10:10 a.m. Approval of Minutes for February 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: Gorge 2020 Management Plan Listening Session Summary Report* Jessica Gist, Natural Resources and Land Use Planner, will present the comments received during the three public Listening Sessions. and provide an update on other outreach methods, and Krystyna Wolniakowski, Executive Director, will summarize comments received during the City Council and County Commission meetings to date.

11:15 a.m. Information Item: Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission: Current Columbia River policy efforts. Charles Hudson, Intergovernmental Affairs Director, will provide a brief history and update on critical river management policies and agreements. He will provide a summary of their engagement in regional, national, and international climate change initiatives.

12:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. Information Item: Urban Growth Management Processes and Analyses in the Portland Metro Region. Ted Reid, Principal Regional Planner and Jeff Frkonja, Director, Research Center, will provide an overview of their work at Metro regarding urban growth boundaries.

2:30 p.m. Committee Reports: Tribal Affairs and Assessment Committees will present information about the outcomes from the morning discussions. Other committees may also provide updates as needed

2:45 p.m. Executive Director’s Report: Krystyna Wolniakowski will provide updates on:
- Klickitat County Development Review update
- Tenneson Engineering contract for remaining legal descriptions for exterior and SMA boundaries
- Forest Service grant status
- Updating the Annual Workplan
- Preparing for the 2017-2019 proposed budget hearings
- Gorgeous Night Out Events in Salem March 9 and Olympia March 23

3:05 p.m. U.S. Forest Service NSA Manager’s Report: Lynn Burditt

3:20 p.m. Other Business

3:30 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.