

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA – April 9, 2019

Holiday Inn Express

477 NW Phoenix Drive, Troutdale, Oregon

- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order and Roll**
- 9:05 a.m. Hearing on Motions to Dismiss, Jody Akers v. Clark County and Friends of the Columbia Gorge v. Clark County, Nos. COA-C-18-01 and COA-C-18-02 (consolidated cases)**
The Gorge Commission will hold a hearing on motions to dismiss the above appeals filed by intervenors Judith Zimmerly, Jerry Nutter, and the Nutter Corporation. The Gorge Commission will hear oral argument from the parties and deliberate to an oral decision. The Chair of the Commission will issue a final written order at a later date. Please contact the Commission’s Counsel, Jeff Litwak, for copies of the briefs. The Gorge Commission will take a break at some point during the morning.
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:00 p.m. Welcome to new Oregon Governor Appointed Gorge Commissioner *Carina Miller***
- 1:05 p.m. Welcome to Troutdale: *Mayor Casey Ryan***
- 1:10 p.m. Approval of Minutes for March 12, 2019 Commission Meeting**
- 1:15 p.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.
- 1:20 p.m. Public Comment ***
- 1:30 p.m. Information Item: “Gorge 2020” Update - County Land Use Designations and Clarifications.**
Mike Schrankel, GIS Manager, Gorge Commission, will present the work to clarify land use designations in Wasco, Hood River, Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties. (Multnomah County was completed in 2016).
- 2:15 p.m. Executive Director’s Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski will provide updates on:
- March 25, 2019 Oregon budget hearing and WA budget status
 - Commission schedule for future Gorge “2020” topics
 - Governor Dan Evans Tribute at Gorge-ous Night Out in Olympia
 - Status of recruiting for a new Administrative Assistant
- 2:30 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.
- 2:45 p.m. Other Business**
- 3:00 p.m. Executive Session:** The Commission may hold an executive session pursuant to Commission Rule 350-11-006(1)(g) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of the Commission with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.
- 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.

Meeting materials and audio will be available on our website at <http://www.gorgecommission.org/about-crgc/commission-meetings>.

If you have a disability that requires any special materials, services, or assistance, please contact us so we may arrange for appropriate accommodations: Columbia River Gorge Commission, Box 730, White Salmon, WA 98672, Phone: 509-493-3323, Fax: 509-493-2229, email: info@gorgecommission.org, <http://www.GorgeCommission.org>

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.