

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA – June 13, 2017

Fort Dalles Readiness Center
402 E. Scenic Drive, The Dalles, Oregon

- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order and Roll**
- 9:05 a.m. Approval of Minutes for April 11, 2017 Commission Meeting**
- 9:10 a.m. Oral Argument for Union Pacific Railroad Co. v. Wasco County, No. COA-W-16-01 and Friends of the Columbia Gorge, et al. v. Wasco County, No. COA-W-16-02:** The Commission will hear oral argument and deliberate to a decision in these appeals. The authority for the Commission to hear these appeals is Section 16(a)(2) of the National Scenic Area Act. The appeals have been consolidated into a single proceeding and the Commission provided a notice of hearing to the parties explaining the procedure for the oral argument. The public may attend this oral argument and deliberation, but this is not a public hearing. Except for the parties and *amicus curiae* entities that have filed briefs, there is no opportunity for any person to participate in the oral argument.

There will be a break during the morning at a time to be determined at the hearing.

Copies of the notice of hearing and briefs are available on the Commission's website. Questions about this agenda item should be directed to the Commission's counsel, Jeff Litwak at jeff.litwak@gorgecommission.org.

- 12:30 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:30 p.m. Continuation of Deliberation and Decision (if necessary).**
- TBD Review of Multnomah County Ordinance 1242 ***
The Commission will hold a public hearing on Multnomah County Ordinance 1242, which amends the county's National Scenic Area land use ordinance. The ordinance expressly prohibits the use of accessory buildings as dwellings and addresses other requirements for accessory buildings. The Commission staff is recommending the Commission find the ordinance consistent with the Management Plan.

If time permits, the Commission may conduct the following other agenda items:

- TBD 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. The Commission requests treaty tribe members not address the oral argument, Commission deliberation or decision earlier in the day.
- TBD Public Comment ***
The Commission requests the public not address the oral argument, Commission deliberation or decision earlier in the day.
- TBD Committee Assignments:** Chairman Bowen Blair will review committee assignments
- TBD Executive Director's Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski will provide updates on:
- 2017-2019 Legislative/Budget Update
 - Outreach to 4 Treaty Tribes
 - Gorge 2020 Management Plan Review and Update
 - Visit of Governor Jay Inslee to the National Scenic Area

TBD **U.S. Forest Service NSA Manager's Report:** Lynn Burditt will provide and update on Forest Service activities in the National Scenic Area.

TBD **Other Business**

TBD **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.