



Fish and Wildlife Commission Tour

Tour:

Thursday, September 12, 2024; 8:00 AM
Best Western Plus Hood River Inn
1108 E Marina Dr
Hood River, OR 97031

Meeting:

Friday September 13, 2024; 8:00 AM
Fort Dalles Readiness Center
402 E Scenic Dr
The Dalles, OR 97058

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The Hood River Watershed:

***An exploration of glaciers, natural and working lands, and communities
from the headwaters of the Hood River to the Columbia River***

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- 8:00 AM Meet outside of the entrance of the [Best Western Plus, Hood River](#)
- 8:00 - 8:30 AM **Introductions, Tour Overview**
Nick Myatt, East Region Manager
Sara Gregory, Deschutes Watershed District Manager
- 9:00 -10:30 AM **Climate impacts to natural and working lands**
[Eliot Glacier Debris Field](#)
- Overview of glacial activity (Stop 1A)
 - Impact to irrigation/ working lands (0.5 mi walk to Stop 1B)
- Jason Seals, District Fish Biologist*
Richard Iverson, Retired USGS
Craig DeHart, Middle Fork Irrigation District
- 11:00 AM -12:00 PM **Strengthening working lands and their ability to support fish and wildlife**
[Farmers' Diversion Screen](#) (Stop 2)
- Infrastructure to manage water for fish and farms
 - Hood River Focused Investment Partnership
- Ian Tattam, La Grande Fish Research Project Leader*
Peter Harkema, Farmers Conservation Alliance
Alexis Vaivoda, Farmers Irrigation District
Cindy Thieman, Hood River Watershed Group
- 12:30 - 1:30 PM **Lunch—Supporting community interests and needs**
[Hood River Marina Park Picnic Shelter](#) (Stop 3)
- Hood River County 40-year Carbon Storage Project
 - Engaging a diverse community in habitat restoration through the Hood

River Focused Investment Partnership (FIP)

Doug Thiesies, Hood River County Forest Manager

Kris Schaedel, Conservation Program Manager, Hood River SWCD

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Columbia Basin Fisheries – conservation, opportunity, and expanding access

[The Spit](#) (walk from picnic shelter if conditions allow ~0.25 mi) (Stop 4)

- Role of the Hood River in conservation and fisheries in the Columbia Basin
- Expanding connections and understanding the needs and barriers of diverse communities

Art Martin, Columbia River Section Manager

Tucker Jones, Ocean Salmon and Columbia River Program Manager

Antonio Salgado, Community Engagement Coordinator

3:30 PM

End Tour at Best Western