



Meeting: Conservation &
Recreation Advisory Committee
Meeting – Virtual Attendance
Time: June 22, 2020 10:00 AM
Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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2 *Committee minutes were approved by the Committee on July 20, 2020.*
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4 Those attending part or all of the meeting included:
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6 Advisory Committee Members

7 Dr. Karl Wenner (Chair, Klamath Mountains)

8 Mauricio Valadrian (Vice Chair, at-large)

9 Chris Hager (at-large)

10 Jane Hartline (Willamette Valley)

11 Maret Pajutee (East and West Cascades)

12 Mark Stern (at-large)

13 Mark Labhart, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commissioner

14 Cailin O'Brien-Feeney, Director, Oregon Office of Outdoor Recreation
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16 ODFW Staff

17 Davia Palmeri, Conservation Policy Coordinator

18 Michelle Tate, Executive Assistant
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20 Guests

21 Cheralynn Abbott, Facilitator, Pivotal Resources
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23 8 Members of the Public

24 Kay Brown, Restoration & Enhancement Board

25 Meghan Martin, The Wildlife Society, OR

26 Chapter

27 Greg Mintz, Representative Ken Helm's office

28 Jim Akenson, Oregon Hunters Association

29 Jim Greer, retired ODFW

30 Clair Klock, Clackamas SWCD

31 Sristi Kamal, Defenders of Wildlife

32 Amy Patrick, Oregon Hunters Association

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35 **MEETING**

36 **Welcome**

37 On Monday, June 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., Chair Karl Wenner, called the Oregon Conservation and
38 Recreation Advisory Committee (the Committee) meeting to order. This meeting was held online only
39 via the Ring Central platform.
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41 Warm up - Committee members introduced themselves and shared something recent from their lives.
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43 The Chair and Committee members recognized Dr. Suzanne Fouty for her service to the Committee in
44 acknowledgement of her resignation on June 15.
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46 **Review and Approve Meeting Minutes**

47 Objective: Review and approve minutes from June 3 meeting
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1 Committee member Mark Stern moved to approve the June 3, 2020 meeting minutes with the continued
2 authority to correct spelling, grammar, and punctuation. Member Jane Hartline seconded the motion.
3 The motion carries with six (6) in favor.
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5 **Project & Portfolio Criteria**

6 Objective: Discuss and approve criteria for the type of portfolio we'd like to have for the short-term and
7 criteria for selecting specific projects.
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9 *ODFW Staff updated the Committee members on the status of the Conservation & Recreation Fund*
10 *(OCRF) and the process that the Committee began on June 2 for developing a portfolio of projects to*
11 *demonstrate what OCRF is about. Approximately \$70,000 has been raised for the OCRF as of June 22 at*
12 *8am. The Committee members talked briefly about uncertainty surrounding the \$1 million General Fund*
13 *Special Appropriation from HB 2829 in relation to likely '19-'21 budget changes that may come from the*
14 *Legislature during a special session. The Fundraising Committee will proceed as planned until the*
15 *Legislature takes action.*
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17 *At the June 3 meeting, the Committee discussed a plan to make multiple small-scale, diverse*
18 *expenditures in the short-term to aid the fundraising effort by demonstrating the types of work the*
19 *Committee intends to support. Today the Committee discussed some metrics to ensure the suite of*
20 *projects is diverse enough to represent the full breadth of work the Committee can support.*
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23 *The Committee next discussed how they will evaluate the proposals received for short-term expenditures.*
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25 Individual Project Metrics

- 26 • Clarity of the proposal – well presented, organized and with clear deliverables
- 27 • Project outcomes align with OCRF Program Priorities identified in the Expenditure Framework
- 28 and are consistent with the Oregon Conservation Strategy – the more the better, but strong
- 29 alignment with at least one as specified in the framework
- 30 • Timeliness and/or necessary approvals in place – implementable in the short-term
- 31 • Proven track record of applicant to achieve outcomes
- 32 • Appropriate partnership and demonstration of partner investment – project engages a variety of
- 33 partners and shows commitment from participants
- 34 • Measurability – the ability to quantify the results of the project
- 35 • Broad appeal - likelihood of being attractive or interesting to a diverse audience
- 36 • Meets the above Portfolio Metrics
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38 **Short Term Expenditure Project Concepts**

39 Objective: Allow members to bring forth and discuss project concepts with the committee.
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41 *The Committee members discussed a variety of example projects that have been brought forward to the*
42 *Chair, members, and staff since the origin of the Committee. The Committee members also described*
43 *additional ideas that have emerged. See "Example Projects" document with meeting materials. Projects*
44 *were organized under which Program Priority they meet.*
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46 **Concepts to Move Forward**

47 Objective: Select concepts that should be developed into full proposals for committee consideration at
48 the next meeting.
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1 *The Committee reviewed the project concepts identified in the previous agenda item and each identified*
2 *their top 7 choices to solicit more detailed pre-proposals. There were 10 concepts with support from 3 or*
3 *more Committee members and 5 with support from at least 2 Committee members. The Committee*
4 *members agreed to use the next month to recruit short proposals from partners, focusing on the 15*
5 *concepts identified today and pasted below.*

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7 Replacement of tidegates on the coast
8 Fencing for Highway 97 Gilchrist wildlife underpass
9 Western pond turtle community science and nesting habitat creation
10 Oregon Connectivity Assessment & Mapping Project
11 Sea Otter Reintroduction Feasibility Study
12 Expanding Trail Camera Community Science Programs
13 Backyard bioblitz and other backyard habitat programs
14 Family day-trip activities on Oregon's Wildlife Areas
15 Translating existing recreation materials in to other languages
16 Ochoco National Forest trails
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18 Engaging Oregonians in Surveying for Ringtails
19 Summer programs for Oregon's children
20 Deschutes Children's Forest/Discover your forest
21 Train ODFW & OPRD Ambassadors
22 Park Pulse Project – mapping and related applications
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24 *The Committee members also discussed what types of information should be collected from project*
25 *proponents and organized this in to a basic template.*
26 *Action Item: The Chair will write a letter to partners to introduce the template and request short*
27 *proposals for consideration at the July 20 Committee meeting. The July 6 meeting was cancelled in*
28 *recognition that four weeks is a more reasonable time period for these requests.*
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30 Template for Describing Project Concepts

- 31 • Title
- 32 • Contact person
- 33 • Lead Organization & Partners involved
- 34 • Program Priorities met
- 35 • Geography/Ecoregion
- 36 • Connection to OCS
- 37 • Funding Amount Requested (prefer under \$10,000)
- 38 • Total Project Cost
- 39 • Abstract (~200 words)
- 40 • Timeline
- 41 • What will OCRF dollars be spent on
- 42 • Other media/information sources on the project
- 43 • Reporting/outcome measurement

44 **Public Comments**

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1 The Committee heard comments from these members of the public:

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- Sristi Kamal
- Jim Akenson
- Clair Klock
- Jim Greer

Chair Wenner adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

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