



Meeting: Conservation &
Recreation Advisory Committee
Meeting – Virtual Attendance
Time: July 11, 2022 1:00 PM
Pacific Time (US and Canada)

1 *Committee minutes are considered draft until approved by the Advisory Committee.*

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3 Those attending part all or part of the meeting included:

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5 Advisory Committee Members

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| 6 Dr. Karl Wenner (Chair, Klamath Mountains) | 11 Jane Hartline (Willamette Valley) |
| 7 Mauricio Valadrian (Vice-Chair, at-large) | 12 Dr. Sristi Kamal (at-large) |
| 8 Maret Pajutee (East and West Cascades) | 13 Commissioner Mark Labhart |
| 9 Kelly Timchak (Nearshore and Coast Range) | 14 Cailin O'Brien Feeney, Office of Outdoor |
| 10 Mark Stern (at-large) | 15 Recreation |

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17 ODFW Staff

- 18 Dr. Charlotte Regula-Whitefield, OCRF Coordinator
19 Davia Palmeri, Conservation Policy Coordinator
20 Sarah Reif, Habitat Division Administrator
21 Michelle Weaver, ODFW Internship Coordinator

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23 6 Members of the Public

- 24 Ken McCall
25 Brain Barns
26 Stephanie Wiger
27 Terry Martin
28 James Frasier
29 Kelly Baez

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31 **MEETING**

32 **Welcome**

33 On Monday, July 11th, 2022 at 1:00 p.m., Chair Karl Wenner, called the Oregon Conservation and
34 Recreation Advisory Committee (the Committee) meeting to order. This meeting was held online only
35 via the Zoom platform. Warm up - Committee members introduced themselves and shared something
36 recent from their lives.

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38 **Review and Approve Meeting Minutes**

39 Objective: Review and approve minutes from June 13th, 2022, meeting.

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41 *Vice Chair Mauricio Valadrian moved to approve the meeting minutes with the continued authority to*
42 *correct spelling, grammar, and punctuation. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Kelly*
43 *Timchak and the motion passed with six (7) in favor.*

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45 **Update on OCRF Active Grants**

46 ODFW/OCRF Staff Charlotte Regula-Whitefield presented a summary of all past OCRF grants. This
47 summary included numbers of projects from each funding round, projects status (open, closed, or
48 incomplete), and an outline for paperwork filing.

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2 *Committee member Marc Stern thanked staff for the report and asked to be provided a more detailed*
3 *overview of project status as well we a centralized location for project reports to be accessed by*
4 *Committee members.*

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6 **Public Comment**

7 Public was invited to comment on agenda items or strategic priorities for the OCRF.

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9 *Ken McCall provided comments on interest in next funding round.*

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11 **Update on OCRF Funding and Expenditures**

12 ODFW/OCRF Staff Charlotte Regula-Whitefield presented a summary of all OCRF funding sources and
13 spending amounts to date. This summary included how much has been spent on each round of funding,
14 donation values, and amounts of special projects.

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16 *Chair Karl Wenner asked to be provided a more detailed overview of donations to date and how much*
17 *funding has been allocated to project match since the last biennium. There was group interest from the*
18 *Committee Members to keep total restricted donation to \$500,000 each year.*

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20 **Drought Funding Workshop**

21 ODFW/OCRF Staff Charlotte Regula-Whitefield provided an overview of the format and content of the
22 OCRF upcoming Drought Coordination workshop. A draft agenda was provided to the Committee
23 Members for their consideration.

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25 *No questions were asked about the update*

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27 **Discussion on August 2022 RFP Release**

28 ODFW/OCRF Staff Charlotte Regula-Whitefield provided an overview of the upcoming grant opportunity.
29 A draft timeline was presented to the Committee members for their consideration.

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31 *Staff proposed a project specific funding cap of no more then \$50,000 and a total spend of roughly*
32 *\$1,000,000. All Committee members agreed to request this removal – no formal vote was needed to*
33 *direct staff to begin this process*

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35 *Chair Karl Wenner discussed with the Advisory Committee the recommendation to request from the*
36 *ODFW Commission to remove the restriction of submittal of project proposals to a minimum of 60 days*
37 *prior to a scheduled OCRF Advisory Committee meeting. All Committee members agreed to request this*
38 *removal – no formal vote was needed to direct staff to begin this process.*

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40 *Committee Member Marc Stern began a conversation about limiting the overhead/indirect costs that*
41 *applicants can apply for within grant applications. Prior to this meeting the OCRF Expenditure*
42 *framework had no restriction/guidance set. Following Committee discussions, all Committee members*
43 *agreed to set the indirect/overhead limits to no more than 20% of total budget requests. The motion was*
44 *seconded by Committee Member Kelly Timchak and the motion passed with six (7) in favor.*

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46 **Chair Karl Wenner adjourned the meeting at 4:02 p.m.**