



Meeting: Conservation &
Recreation Advisory Committee
Meeting – Virtual Attendance
Time: October 2, 2023,
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 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 Liza Jane McAlister (Columbia Plateau & Blue |
| 7 Mauricio Valadrian (Vice-Chair, at-large) | 12 Mountains Ecoregion) |
| 8 Kelly Timchak (Nearshore and Coast Range) | 13 Dr. Sristi Kamal (at large) |
| 9 Mark Stern (at-large) | 14 ODFW Commissioner Mark Labhart |
| 10 Jane Hartline (Willamette Valley) | |

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16 ODFW Staff

- 17 Reva Gillman, OCRF Coordinator, ODFW
18 Sarah Reif, Habitat Division Administrator, ODFW
19 Tiffany Caldwell, Administrative Specialist, ODFW

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23 **MEETING**

24 **Welcome**

25 On Monday, October 2, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., Chair Karl Wenner, called the Oregon Conservation and
26 Recreation Advisory Committee (the Committee) meeting to order. This meeting was held online only
27 via the Microsoft Teams platform.

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29 Warm up - Committee members introduced themselves and shared something recent from their lives.
30 Reva introduced a new member of the ODFW Habitat Grants Team, Tiffany Caldwell.

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32 **Review and Approve Meeting Minutes.**

33 Review and approve minutes from September 11, 2023.

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35 The motions passed with six (6) in favor and two (2) absent members.

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37 **OCRF Administrative Rule Revisions**

38 ODFW Staff Reva Gillman referred to the proposed OCRF Oregon Administrative Rule revisions discussed
39 in the September meeting. Reva explained the next steps in the process for OAR revision include DOJ
40 and Director's Office review. Reva informed the Committee if there are any substantial changes during
41 that process she will send out a courtesy notice to the Committee.

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43 *OCRF Advisory Committee members discussed the 2023 rule revisions edits. Reva Gillman and Sarah Reif*
44 *gave explanation on Committee compensation and how that language will be in operating procedures*
45 *rather than rule. Chair Karl Wenner expressed concern regarding the program's flexibility and doesn't*
46 *want the revised OAR's to put constraints on future projects and asks Sarah for clarification. It is*
47 *explained that the OAR revisions aim to provide transparency with the public while retaining as much*
48 *flexibility as possible.*

1 Discussion followed regarding recreational project language in the program purpose statement.

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3 **Review and Approve OAR Revisions.**

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5 Mark Stern moved to approve the 2023 OCRF OAR rule revisions with the continued authority to correct
6 spelling, grammar, and punctuation in addition to the comments discussed.
7 Jane Hartline seconded the motion, motion carried.

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11 **OCRF Project Presentation: Assessing Shark Presence in Potential Sea Otter Reintroduction Areas in Oregon**

12 Taylor Chapple from the Oregon State University provided a presentation on the overlap of white sharks
13 and otters with the goal of reintroducing otters into Oregon to more of their historic range.

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17 *OCRF Advisory Committee members asked questions of the speaker, discussed the project, and expressed
18 their interest and appreciation of the project presentation.*

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20 **OCRF Project Presentation: Whychus Creek Stewardship Program**

21 Kolleen Miller from The Upper Deschutes Watershed Council provided a brief update on recent
22 restoration projects completed and in the works with help from the OCRF fund and community
23 members and resource partners.

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25 *OCRF Advisory Committee members expressed appreciation of the project and collaboration of the team
26 of the Deschutes Watershed Council.*

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29 **Stakeholder Outreach**

30 Pivotal Resources facilitator Cheralynn Abbott updated the committee on the stakeholder outreach
31 interviews she conducted.

32 *OCRF Advisory Committee members discussed the stakeholder outreach interviews and how we can
33 implement the stakeholders suggestions in the future.*

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35 **Strategic Plan – Building the Foundation**

36 Cheralynn Abbott led analysis of the strategic plan. The Committee followed up with questions for
37 Cheralynn.

38 Discussion followed.

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42 **Public Comment**

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

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45 *No public comment was received.*

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49 **Chair Karl Wenner adjourned the meeting at 3:42 p.m.**