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Commission Work Session Agenda

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

August 21, 2024, 9:00 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Virtual/WSPRC HQ, 1111 Israel Rd SW, Olympia, WA 98504

Commissioners: Chair Sophia Danenberg, Vice Chair Laurie Connelly, Secretary Holly Williams, Michael Latimer, Ken Bounds, Scott Merriman, and Ali Raad

Director: Diana Dupuis

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission will be holding their regularly scheduled work session virtually on August 21, 2024. Please note that this is an online meeting. We will be providing a meeting space for the public to watch at the WSPRC HQ, 1111 Israel Rd. SW, Olympia, WA 98504. Staff/commissioners will be attending virtually.

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Time: Opening session will begin as shown; all other times are approximate.

- 9:04 a.m. CALL TO ORDER** – Laurie Connelly, Vice Chair
- Call of the Roll
 - Vice Chair Laurie Connelly, Secretary Holly Williams, Michael Latimer, Ali Raad, Ken Bounds and Scott Merriman
 - Absent: Chair Sophia Danenberg
 - Introduction of Staff
 - Director Diana Dupuis, Deputy Director Mike Sternback, Administrative Services Director Laura Holmes, Operations Director Jon Crimmins, Stewardship Director Lisa Lantz, Parks Development Director Heather Saunders, Policy & Governmental Affairs Director Owen Rowe, Communications Director Clare DeLong, Human Resources Director Amber Erdahl, Tribal Relations Director Jenna Bowman, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Director Janette Chien, and Executive Assistant Becki Ellison
 - Assistant Attorney General Andy Woo
 - Indigenous Land Acknowledgement
 - We respect and affirm tribal sovereignty and honor indigenous peoples whose traditional lands we occupy. The State Parks and Recreation Commission is committed to working with all Tribes to help preserve and restore a healthy natural environment for future generations.
 - Changes to agenda
 - Logistics
- 9:06 a.m. BEEBE BRIDGE PARK** – Scott Griffith, Eastern Region Superintendent and Nikki Fields, Planning and Real Estate Program Manager
- This item reports to the Commission an opportunity to lease Beebe Bridge Park, owned by Chelan County Public Utility District, north of Daroga State Park, along the Columbia River.
- 9:30 a.m. REVENUE UPDATE** – Laura Holmes, Administrative Services Director
- This presentation will provide the Commission a closer look at revenue collections to date for the 2023-25 biennium.
- 9:47 a.m. COMMISSION PRIORITIES UPDATE** – Diana Dupuis, Director
- This presentation will provide the Commission with an update on agency progress on the Commission’s 2024 Priorities.
- 10:29 a.m. BREAK**

10:40 a.m. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chair Connelly: *The Commission will enter executive session at 10:40 a.m. to discuss potential litigation with the Commission's assigned legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The Commission will be in executive session until 11:40 a.m. No action will be taken during the executive session. The Commission will adjourn after the conclusion of the executive session.*

11:40 a.m. Vice Chair Connelly: *The Commission is extending the executive session until 12:40 p.m.*

12:40 p.m. Vice Chair Connelly: *The Commission is extending the executive session until 1:41 p.m.*

1:41 p.m. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Connelly: *The Commission ended the executive session at 1:45 pm. No action was taken. Meeting adjourned.*

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