



Commission Meeting Agenda

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

March 6, 2024, 9:00 a.m. – 1:20 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 commission meeting virtually on March 6, 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.

9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER – Sophia Danenberg, Chair

- Call of the Roll
- Introduction of Staff
- 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

9:05 a.m. REQUESTED ACTION

- Item E-1: Commission Priorities 25/27
This item Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission to approve categorical Commission priorities for the 25-27 biennium. Performance measures will be defined over the next year as part of the 2025-2027 Director's Performance Agreement.

9:45 a.m. REPORT

- Item E-2: Financial Update
This item reports to the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission on 1) 2023-25 biennium operating and capital budget expenditures, 2) Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account (PRSA) revenue, 3) Calendar Year 2024 over 2023 Revenue and Visitation, and 4) the 2025-27 Budget Development.

10:15 a.m. BREAK

WORK SESSION DISCUSSIONS

10:15 a.m. BRIDLE TRAILS LAND CLASSIFICATION UPDATE – Nikki Fields, Planning & Real Estate Program Manager, Matt Birkliid, Park Ranger 1 and Brittany Hunter, Park Ranger 2

- This presentation will give the Commission an overview of a proposal to update land classifications at Bridle Trails State Park to allow for future development of an environmental education classroom and welcome center in partnership with the Bridle Trails Park Foundation.

11:00 a.m. BOATING PROGRAM UPDATE – Rob Sendak, Boating & Winter Recreation Program Manager and Catherine Buchalski Smith, Clean Vessel Act Grant Program Manager

- This presentation will provide the Commission with a review of the Recreational Boating Safety Program, the Marine Law Enforcement Training and Education Program and the Clean Vessel Act Grant Program.

11:40 a.m. WINTER RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATE – Rob Sendak, Boating & Winter Recreation Program Manager and Corey Tolar, Winter Recreation Programs Manager

- This presentation will provide the Commission with a review of the Non-Motorized Winter Recreation Program and the Snowmobile Program.

12:20 p.m. BREAK

12:30 p.m. 2024 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Owen Rowe, Policy & Governmental Affairs Director

- This item provides the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission with an overview and update of the 2024 legislative session.

12:50 p.m. EVERYONE OUTDOORS – Janette Chien, DEI Director

- This item provides the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission with an introduction to the Everyone Outdoors pilot program - a program providing free annual Discover Passes to applying groups and organizations that serve communities who face barriers to accessing the outdoors.

1:20 p.m. ADJOURN

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