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Work Session Agenda

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

March 4, 2026, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Virtual/WSPRC HQ, 300 Desmond Dr Se, Lacey, WA 98503

Commissioners: Chair Holly Williams, Vice Chair Scott Merriman, Ali Raad, Alfie Alvarado-Ramos, Laurie Connelly, and Sophia Danenberg

Director: Diana Dupuis

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission will be holding their regularly scheduled work session virtually on March 4, 2026. Please note that this is an online meeting. We will be providing a meeting space for the public to watch at the WSPRCHQ, 300 Desmond Dr Se, Lacey, WA 98503. Staff/commissioners will be attending virtually.

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Watch the meeting on TVW: <https://twv.org/watch/?eventID=2026031016>

You can find the agenda and presentations on our website:

<https://parks.wa.gov/about/strategic-planning-projects-public-input/parks-commission>

Public Comment: The public is invited to attend, but no verbal public comment will be taken at this meeting.

Written Public Comment:

Written public comments will be accepted for all agenda items until 5 p.m. on February 27 by email or mail. Any comments received after the cutoff will be given to the commission before its next meeting.

Email: Commission@parks.wa.gov

Mail: WSPRC, Attn: Becki Ellison, PO Box 42650, Olympia, WA 98504.

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The meeting minutes and recording will be loaded within one week after the meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER – Scott Merriman, Vice Chair

- Call of the Roll
 - o Chair Holly Williams, Vice Chair Scott Merriman, Ali Raad, Sophia Danenberg, Alfie Alvarado-Ramos and Laurie Connelly

- o Director Diana Dupuis; Executive Assistant Becki Ellison; Business Support Services Director Laura Holmes; Workforce, Technology and Equity Director Amber Erdahl; External & Legislative Relations Director Brian Considine; Parks Development Director Heather Saunders; and Stewardship Director Lisa Lantz
- o Assistant Attorney General Andy Woo
- Changes to agenda
- Logistics

9:03 a.m. FINANCIAL UPDATE – Laura Holmes, Business Support Services Director

- This item reports to the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission on 1) 2025-27 biennium operating and capital budget expenditures, 2) Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account (PRSA) revenue, and 3) supplemental budgets released during Legislative Session.

9:17 a.m. LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE – Brian Considine, Legislative Relations and Public Affairs Director

- This item reports to the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission an update on the 2026 Legislative Session.

9:44 a.m. EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT SURVEY 2025 – Amber Erdahl, Workforce, Technology, & Equity Division Director

- This item provides an update to the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission on a high-level overview of the 2025 employee engagement survey results.

10:28 a.m. ADJOURN

Submitted by Becki Ellison, Executive Assistant

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