

Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Meeting

AGENDA

**Tuesday, July 28, 2026
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**In Person at Wanapum Hydro Office Building
and Microsoft Teams**

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Meeting ID: 296 448 064 756 111

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PRCC Representatives, Alternates, and Facilitation

Larissa Rohrbach, Anchor QEA, Facilitator
Kristi Geris, Anchor QEA, Technical Support
Tom Lorz, Pete McHugh (Alt), CRITFC for CTUIR
Dennis Moore, Casey Baldwin (Alt), CTCR
Tom Dresser, Rod O'Connor (Alt),
Tim Taylor (Alt), GPUD

Scott Carlon, Emi Melton (Alt), NMFS
Chad Jackson, Andrew Murdoch (Alt), WDFW
Clayton Buck, Nathan Buck, Wanapum
Bill Gale, USFWS
Keely Murdoch, Brandon Rogers (Alt), YN

Action Items

- Anchor QEA will add Dennis Moore (CTCR PRCC Acting Representative) to the PRCC monthly meeting invites and PRCC primary email list. *(Note: This was completed.)*
- L. Rohrbach will work with T. Dresser to identify proposed dates for a PRCC Policy Committee meeting, including a timeline for materials preparation. *(This item is ongoing.)*
- Grant PUD will review and respond to the Joint Fisheries Parties' (JFP's) revisions to the draft statement of agreement (SOA) *Survival Evaluations - Path Forward*. *(This item is ongoing.)*

- Grant PUD will provide a summary of LGL Limited's (LGL's) findings on route-specific survival data as they relate to avian predation from Grant PUD's past survival studies.
- Grant PUD will provide a synthesis report for the *Summary of Juvenile Chinook Salmon Survival Studies*, as presented during the PRCC June 23, 2026, meeting.
- Grant PUD will inquire internally about the ability to shift spill from right bank to left bank, concurrent with shifting turbine load, as an alternative to total spill outages during the Priest Rapids Dam Spillway Stability Improvement Project.

Agenda

I. **Welcome, Announcements, Agenda Review, and Meeting Minutes Approval**

The draft June 23 PRCC meeting minutes for review were distributed on July 15. The revised minutes for approval were distributed on July 21.

II. **Actions Items Review**

III. **White River (30 mins)**

The PRCC HSC recommendations memo was distributed on July 21.

IV. **2026 Smolt Survival Study Update**

V. **2026 Fish Passage Operations**

A. ***Fish ladder inspections***

B. ***Fish spill updates***

PRD Spillway Stability Improvement Project Update (5 mins)

C. ***Adult Fish counts for 2026 (April 15 – November 15)***

The following are final adult fish counts from April 15 through July 12:

Project	Spring Chinook Salmon ^a		Summer Chinook Salmon ^b		Fall Chinook Salmon ^c		Sockeye Salmon	Coho Salmon	Steelhead
	Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks	Adults	Jacks			
PRD	10,307	200	26,934	186	0	0	59,490	14	252
WAN	9,945	272	26,608	210	0	0	55,694	0	246
RIS	8,573	563	25,610	597	0	0	53,065	0	183

Notes:

a: Chinook counted from April 15 to June 13 are considered spring Chinook Salmon.

b: Chinook counted from June 14 to August 13 are considered summer Chinook Salmon.

c: Chinook counted after August 14 are considered fall Chinook Salmon.

PRD = Priest Rapids; WAN = Wanapum; RIS = Rock Island

UPDATES

VI. NNI-Funded Projects

A. Northern Pike Removal

No update anticipated.

B. WDFW PIT Tag Barge

No update anticipated.

C. 2026 Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby

General update.

D. 2026 RTR Avian Predation Study

See RTR weekly reports via email.

E. Tag Effects Evaluation for Summer Subyearling Chinook Salmon

General update.

VII. Subcommittee Updates

K. Geris has forwarded the latest subcommittee distributions she has received to date to PRCC members and alternates.

- Priest Rapids Fish Forum – met July 1, next meeting Tue, August 4 (Wells tour).
- Habitat Subcommittee – met July 9, next meeting August 13
- Fall Chinook Work Group – met April 30, next meeting October 5.
- Hatchery Subcommittee – will meet July 15 to 16, next meeting August 19 to 20.

VIII. SOAs discussed in 2026

SOA number	Key Words	Last Discussed	Status
2026-01	Decoupling Summer Subyearling Survival	February 24, 2026	Approved (March 20, 2026)
2026-XX	Survival Evaluations - Path Forward	April 28, 2026	In Review

IX. Next PRCC Meeting

The next PRCC meeting will be on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., to be held in-person at the Wanapum Hydro Office Building in Beverly, Washington.

The next Subyearling Joint Session (Session 17) with the HCP-CC is to be determined.