



## Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Meeting

### AGENDA

**Tuesday, June 23, 2026  
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**In Person at Confluence Technology Center  
and Microsoft Teams**

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Meeting ID: 242 121 229 466 95

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#### **PRCC Representatives, Alternates, and Facilitation**

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Larissa Rohrbach, Anchor QEA, Facilitator

Kristi Geris, Anchor QEA, Technical Support

Tom Lorz, Pete McHugh (Alt), CRITFC for CTUIR

Kirk Truscott, 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**

- 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 do the following after completion of this year's smolt survival study:
  - 1) Verify whether dead fish releases were used in the studies presented in the ongoing review of past survival studies; 2) Consider looking into route-specific survival data as they relate to avian predation presented in the ongoing review of past survival studies; and 3) Continue discussing the "Past Survival Studies Review" agenda topic. *(Note: Items 1 and 2 are ongoing; Item 3 will be discussed during the PRCC June 23 meeting.)*

- Grant PUD will update the draft White River Spring Chinook Program Public Outreach and Stakeholder Engagement Guide with suggested responses to the talking points. *(This item is ongoing.)*
- Anchor QEA will locate the PRCC meeting protocols working document, and the PRCC will consider updating the meeting minutes approval protocols as necessary. *(Note: This working document was located, and the voting criteria are consistent with the Salmon and Steelhead Settlement Agreement [SSSA].)*
- 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*.
- Anchor QEA will confirm with Tracy Hillman (PRCC Hatchery Subcommittee [HSC] Chair) the PRCC's role in the White River Spring Chinook Salmon Program decision process, and coordination for the PRCC Policy Committee.
- Grant PUD will share outcomes of the 2026 Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby with the PRCC.
- Grant PUD will provide Grant PUD's and Chelan PUD's final *Study Proposal: Tag Effects for Subyearling Summer Chinook Salmon* for distribution to the PRCC and HCP-CCs. *(Note: The final study plan was distributed to the PRCC and HCP-CCs by K. Geris on May 5, 2026.)*

## **Agenda**

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

The draft April 28 PRCC meeting minutes for review were distributed on May 12.

The final Subyearling Joint Session 16 (April 28) meeting minutes were distributed on June 2.

### **II. Actions Items Review**

### **III. Northern Pike Suppression and Monitoring Funding**

A draft NNI Cost Match Letter was distributed to the PRCC by K. Geris on June 15.

### **IV. 2026 Smolt Survival Study Update**

### **V. Past Survival Studies Review**

Yearling Chinook Salmon

### **VI. 2026 Fish Passage Operations**

#### **A. Fish ladder inspections**

**B. Fish spill updates**

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

The following are final adult fish counts from April 15 through June 11:

| Project | Spring Chinook Salmon <sup>a</sup> |       | Summer Chinook Salmon <sup>b</sup> |       | Fall Chinook Salmon <sup>c</sup> |       | Sockeye Salmon | Coho Salmon | Steelhead |
|---------|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
|         | Adults                             | Jacks | Adults                             | Jacks | Adults                           | Jacks |                |             |           |
| PRD     | 9,430                              | 196   | 0                                  | 0     | 0                                | 0     | 44             | 0           | 30        |
| WAN     | 9,416                              | 261   | 0                                  | 0     | 0                                | 0     | 12             | 0           | 35        |
| RIS     | 8,043                              | 540   | 0                                  | 0     | 0                                | 0     | 6              | 0           | 49        |

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**

**VII. NNI-Funded Projects**

**A. Northern Pike Removal**

Covered above.

**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.

**VIII. 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 June 3, next meeting July 1.
- Habitat Subcommittee – met June 11, next meeting July 9.
- Fall Chinook Work Group – met April 30, next meeting October 5.
- Hatchery Subcommittee – will meet June 17 to 18, next meeting July 15 to 16.

**IX. SOAs discussed in 2026**

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

**X. Next PRCC Meeting**

The next PRCC meeting will be on Tuesday, July 28, 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.