



## Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Meeting

### AGENDA

**Tuesday, January 23, 2024**  
**9:00 AM to NLT 12:00 PM**

#### Microsoft Teams meeting

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Meeting ID: 239 917 602 124; Passcode: SRNujV

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

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Bryan Nordlund, Facilitator

Larissa Rohrbach, Facilitation Support, Anchor QEA

Kirk Truscott, Casey Baldwin (Alt), CCT

Tom Lorz, CTUIR

Curt Dotson, Tom Dresser (Alt), GPUD

Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS

Bill Gale, USFWS

Chad Jackson, A. Murdoch (Alt) WDFW

Keely Murdoch, Brandon Rogers (Alt), YN

#### **Action Items**

- PRCC members will review the 2016 sub-yearling workshop agenda and materials, and recommend topics or speakers for the 2024 workshop.

#### **Review Items**

- Proposal from Real Time Research to evaluate *Avian Predation on ESA-listed Juvenile Salmonids on the Middle Columbia River, 2024*, distributed on January 4 and associated presentation of 2023 results, distributed on January 12, 2024.
- Project specification sheet from the Quincy Valley Tourism Association regarding the 2024 Northern Pikeminnow Fishing Derby in Wanapum Reservoir.

## **Decisions and Approvals**

- The PRCC approved SOA 2023-02 regarding Grant PUD’s Draft 2025-2027 Smolt Survival Study Plan on November 28, 2023, with the inclusion of dead-fish releases documented in version 7b of the study plan.

## **Agenda**

### **I. Welcome, Announcements and Introductions**

### **II. Agenda Review**

### **III. Meeting Minutes Status**

The November 19 PRCC meeting minutes were distributed by Larissa Rohrbach by email on December 21, 2023, with revisions due before the next meeting.

### **IV. Actions Items Review**

### **V. Request for NNI funding – RTR’s 2024 Avian Predation Work**

### **VI. Request for NNI funding – Quincy Pike Minnow Derby**

### **VII. Subyearling Chinook Salmon Workshop Planning**

### **VIII. 2023 Fish Passage Operations Report**

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

#### ***B. Fish spill updates***

#### ***C. Fish counts for 2023 (April 15 – November 15)***

The following are final fish counts for 2023:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Spring Chinook Salmon (Adult + Jack)</b>	<b>Summer Chinook Salmon (Adult + Jack)</b>	<b>Fall Chinook Salmon</b>	<b>Sockeye Salmon</b>	<b>Coho Salmon</b>	<b>Steelhead</b>
Priest Rapids*	18,888	51,102	44,970	235,270	16,651	7,617
Wanapum	19,152	57,251	27,884	228,172	11,461	7,522
Rock Island	17,619	51,574	17,628	247,772	17,690	8,326

## **UPDATES**

### **IX. Review of Outstanding NNI Funded Projects**

A. **Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II**  
(No update anticipated)

B. **Northern Pike Removal (2022-2024)**  
(No update anticipated)

C. **WDFW PIT tag barge**  
(no update anticipated)

D. **2024 Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby**  
(2024 Proposal for PRCC Approval)

E. **2024 RTR Avian Predation study**  
(2024 Proposal for PRCC Approval)

**X. Sub-Committee Updates**

Nordlund has forwarded the latest subcommittee distributions he has received to date to PRCC members and alternates.

- Priest Rapids Fish Forum – met January 3, next meeting February 7.
- Habitat Subcommittee – met January 11, next meeting February 8.
- Fall Chinook Work Group – met October 3, next meeting May 7.
- Hatchery Subcommittee – met November 15, next meeting January 17.

**XI. SOAs discussed in 2024**

SOA number	Key Words	Last Discussed	Status
2023-02	Survival Study	November 28, 2023	Approved November 28; final revisions and SOA distributed on December 11, 2023

**XII. Next Meetings**

The next PRCC meeting is scheduled for February 27 at 9 a.m., virtual only.