

## Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Conference Call

### AGENDA

**Tuesday, January 28, 2025**  
**9:00 AM to NLT 11:00 AM**  
**11:00 AM to 12:30 PM (joint session with HCP-CC)**

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#### PRCC Representatives, Alternates, and Facilitation

Tom Dresser, Rod O'Connor (Alt), Tim Taylor (Alt) GPUD  
 Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS  
 Bill Gale, Jason Romine (Alt), USFWS  
 Chad Jackson, Andrew Murdoch (Alt), WDFW  
 Kirk Truscott, Casey Baldwin (Alt), CTCR

Keely Murdoch, Brandon Rogers (Alt), YN  
 Tom Lorz, CTUIR  
 Clayton Buck, Wanapum  
 Larissa Rohrbach, Anchor QEA, Facilitator  
 Kristi Geris, Anchor QEA, Technical Support

#### Action Items

- K. Truscott will verify the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CTCR) PRCC Policy Committee representation. *(This item is ongoing.)*
- T. Lorz will provide an updated Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission (CRITFC) PRCC Representation Designation Letter. *(This item is ongoing.)*
- L. Rohrbach will work with T. Dresser to identify proposed dates for a PRCC Policy Committee meeting, including a timeline for materials preparation, tentatively in the June to July 2025 time frame. *(This item is ongoing.)*
- PRCC representatives will provide questions for Real Time Research (RTR) to address during a presentation of their No Net Impact (NNI) avian predation 2024

work and 2025 proposal (scheduled for January 9, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.) to Anchor QEA no later than Friday, December 20, 2024. *(Note: questions received were sent to RTR on December 23, and to the PRCC on December 26.)*

- Anchor QEA will provide H. McLellan with the updated PRCC NNI-Funded Project Specifications and Guidance Document (distributed to the PRCC on October 15). *(Note: the updated guidance was forwarded to H. McLellan after the meeting on December 16.)*

## Agenda

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

The draft November 18 PRCC conference call minutes were distributed by K. Geris on December 13, 2024.

The draft December 16 PRCC conference call minutes were distributed by K. Geris on January 13, 2025.

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

### III. **RTR 2025 Avian Predation Work**

DECISION: Request for NNI funding.

### IV. **2025 Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby**

DECISION: Request for NNI funding.

### V. **PRCC Hatchery Subcommittee Update – White River Hatchery Program**

### VI. **2025-2027 Smolt Survival Study Updates**

### VII. **2025 Fish Passage Operations**

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

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

Select two agency spill reps for 2025 spill season.

#### C. ***Adult Fish counts for 2024 (April 15 – November 15)***

The following are final adult fish counts from April 15 through November 15, 2024:

| Project       | Spring Chinook Salmon (Adult + Jack) <sup>a</sup> | Summer Chinook Salmon (Adult + Jack) <sup>b</sup> | Fall Chinook Salmon <sup>c</sup> | Sockeye Salmon | Coho Salmon | Steelhead |
|---------------|---|---|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| Priest Rapids | 15,720  | 40,766  | 31,252                           | 699,785        | 38,799      | 9,766     |
| Wanapum       | 16,810  | 37,622  | 16,365                           | 697,922        | 28,514      | 9,218     |
| Rock Island   | 15,676  | 44,621  | 11,163                           | 728,872        | 26,701      | 8,869     |

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.

**UPDATES**

**VIII. NNI-Funded Projects**

**A. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II**

(No update anticipated)

**B. Northern Pike Removal (2022-2025)**

H. McLellan is working with Grant PUD on a change order to add eDNA monitoring to the 2025 contract. A proposal for post-2025 work is forthcoming (Feb-Mar, TBD).

**C. WDFW PIT Tag Barge**

Preliminary update in spring 2025 (TBD).

**D. 2025 Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby**

(Covered above)

**E. 2025 RTR Avian Predation Study**

(Covered above)

**IX. Sub-Committees**

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

- Priest Rapids Fish Forum – met Nov 6, Dec/Jan canceled, next meeting Feb 5.
- Habitat Subcommittee – met Dec 12, Jan canceled, next meeting Feb 13.
- Fall Chinook Work Group – met Oct 8, next meeting May 6.
- Hatchery Subcommittee – met Jan 15, next meeting Feb 19-20.

**X. SOAs discussed in 2025**

| SOA number | Key Words | Last Discussed | Status |
|------------|-----------|----------------|--------|
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**XI. Next PRCC Meeting**

The next PRCC meeting will be on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., to be held virtually. A joint session with the HCP-CC for a Subyearling Chinook Salmon Workshop Recap (Joint Session 3) will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (TBD).

**XII. Subyearling Workshop Recap (11:00 a.m. Joint Session 2 with HCP-CC)**

Matrix, List of questions