



**Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Meeting  
FINAL AGENDA**

Tuesday, Nov 15, 2022  
1:00 PM

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**PRCC Representatives**

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Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS  
Keely Murdoch, Brandon Rogers (Alt), YN  
Chad Jackson, A. Murdoch (Alt) WDFW  
Curt Dotson, Tom Dresser (Alt), GPUD

Jim Craig, USFWS  
Kirk Truscott, Casey Baldwin (alt), CCT  
Tom Skiles, CTUIR

**Decisions, Actions and Approvals Made During Oct 25, 2022, Meeting**

1. **APPROVAL:** Keely Murdoch's edits to the PRCC meeting operation protocols were approved by all committee members.
2. **ACTION:** C. Dotson will work with Mike Clement (Grant PUD) to schedule a visit for T. Skiles to observe the fish ladders when dewatered for annual maintenance.
3. **ACTION:** C. Dotson to send DRAFT SOA 2022-03, Revised Fish Mode at Wanapum Dam, to be distributed electronically.
4. **ACTION:** T. Dresser will provide a DRAFT SOA for Survival Standards Achieved prior to the November PRCC meeting and will request a vote at that time.

**Agenda**

**I. Welcome, Announcements and Introductions**

**II. Agenda Review**

**III. Meeting Minutes Status**

- A. October 25, 2022, PRCC meeting minutes were distributed by Bryan Nordlund by email on November 7, with comments due within 30 days. September 27, 2022 PRCC meeting minutes comments were due November 10, and are in the process of being finalized.

#### IV. Status of Actions Items and Approvals from October 25, 2022, Meeting

- A. **ACTION:** Survival Study Talking Points: Curt Dotson will continue to update the survival study talking points for PRCC review and comment. PRCC members should pass any comments, questions, or suggestions to Curt (continuing).
- B. **ACTION:** Fish Survival Studies: Curt Dotson will draft an example document (draft study proposal) describing how Grant PUD could conduct a fish survival study (continuing).
- C. **ACTION:** C. Dotson will work with Mike Clement (Grant PUD) to schedule a visit for T. Skiles to observe the fish ladders when dewatered for annual maintenance.
- D. **ACTION:** C. Dotson to send DRAFT SOA 2022-03, Revised Fish Mode at Wanapum Dam, to be distributed electronically.
- E. **ACTION:** T. Dresser will provide a DRAFT SOA for Survival Standards Achieved prior to the November PRCC meeting and will request a vote at that time.
- F. **ACTION:** Meeting protocols revised with Keely's edits and send for posting on Grant PUD website.

#### V. 2021 Fish Passage Operations Report

- A. **Update on investigations for fish count discrepancy:**  
(T. Dresser / C. Dotson)
- B. **Fish ladder inspections:**  
Completed for 2022 – possible dewatered ladder observation later in 2022.
- C. **Fish spill updates:**
- D. **Fish counts for 2022 (April 15 – November 2)**

Project	Spring Chinook (final)	Summer Chinook (final)	Sockeye	Fall Chinook	Steelhead	Coho
Priest Rapids	21091	61932	654402	29005	4625	17861
Wanapum	21165	59778	724552	20888	4065	9265
Rock Island	22487	64497	659933	10614	7363	22653

Priest Rapids and Wanapum counts may be incomplete.

#### VI. Discussion/Vote on revised Fish Mode at Wanapum Dam.

#### VII. Continuing preliminary discussion - Survival study talking points.

Curt will distribute his updates to the working document based on previous survival study experience and the PRCC will discuss.

- VIII. Continued discussion – Path forward from check-in survival study results
- IX. Revived discussion – PRCC definition of survival study objectives
- X. Discussion involving RTR’s avian work in the region and their involvement in 2023.

**UPDATES**

**XI. Review of Outstanding NNI Funded Projects**

- A. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II. (No updates)
- B. Avian Predation on ESA-listed Juvenile Salmonids on the Mid-Columbia River, 2022. (Presentation forthcoming?)
- C. Northern Pike Removal (2022-2024). (Presentation forthcoming?)

**XII. Sub-Committee Updates**

Bryan Nordlund has forwarded the latest subcommittee distributions he has received to date via email.

- A. Priest Rapids Fish Forum – conference call held on Nov 2.
- B. Habitat Subcommittee – met on Nov 10.
- C. Fall Chinook Work Group – last met October 4 (?).
- D. Hatchery Subcommittee – Next conference call scheduled for November 16.

**XIII. SOA’s discussed in 2022**

SOA number	Key words	Last Discussed	Status
2021-06	Facilitator selection	January 25, 2022	closed

**XIV. Next Meetings**

The next PRCC meetings are scheduled for December 16 at 1 PM and January 24 at 9 AM (both virtual).

**XV. Today’s Action Item Summary:**