



Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Meeting

AGENDA

Tuesday March 28, 2023

9:00 a.m. to NLT 12:00 p.m.

Douglas PUD Auditorium and Webex

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Join by phone: 1-877-309-3457; 2464 179 2126

PRCC Representatives and Alternates, and Facilitation

Bryan Nordlund, Facilitator	Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS
Larissa Rohrbach, Facilitation Support, Anchor QEA	Jim Craig, USFWS
Kirk Truscott, Casey Baldwin (Alt), CCT	Chad Jackson, A. Murdoch (Alt) WDFW
Tom Skiles, CTUIR	Keely Murdoch, Brandon Rogers (Alt), YN
Curt Dotson, Tom Dresser (Alt), GPUD	

Actions Items

- Request for K. Truscott to coordinate a presentation by CTCR on 2022 Northern Pike Removal Efforts.
- K. Truscott will identify a PRCC Policy Representative for the CTCR.
- Dotson will distribute comments on the revised draft survival study plan with Grant PUD responses.
- Grant PUD's draft 2022 Activities Under Priest Rapids Hydroelectric Project report (P&I report) was distributed by Deb Firestone (Grant PUD) on March 6, with comments due to her or T. Dresser by April 6, 2023.

Review Items

- A. Murdoch gave the presentation entitled, “*UCR Overshoot Steelhead, Part 2*” in the February 28 meeting, for review and further discussion in the March 28 meeting.
- Grant PUD’s draft 2022 Activities Under Priest Rapids Hydroelectric Project report (P&I report) was distributed by Deb Firestone (Grant PUD) on March 6, with comments due to her or T. Dresser by April 6, 2023.

Decisions and Approvals

- SOA 2022-02 regarding *Grant PUD Hatchery Production Objectives, Release Years 2024-2033*, was approved by the PRCC the February 28 meeting (S. Carlon approved via email the same day).
- Tom Skiles and Scott Carlon agreed to serve as 2023 spill committee representatives.

Agenda

I. Welcome, Announcements and Introductions

II. Agenda Review

III. Meeting Minutes Status

The February 28 PRCC meeting minutes were distributed by Larissa Rohrbach by email on March 14, 2023, with comments due by March 27, or earlier.

IV. Actions Items Review

V. PRCC Policy meeting planning – timing, format, discussion.

VI. Steelhead Fallback – ongoing coordination and discussion.

VII. Survival study planning – ongoing coordination and discussion.

VIII. New GPUD requirement for insurance for funded projects – brief follow-up.

IX. 2022 Fish Passage Operations Report

A. Fish ladder inspections

B. Fish spill updates

No updates until fish spill commences in 2023.

C. Final Fish counts for 2022 (April 15 – November 15)

Project	Spring Chinook (final)	Summer Chinook (final)	Sockeye	Fall Chinook	Steelhead	Coho
Priest Rapids	21091	61932	654407	33384	4887	25796
Wanapum	21165	59778	724522	25957	4203	8978
Rock Island	22487	64497	659933	11941	7496	25424

UPDATES

X. Review of Outstanding NNI Funded Projects

A. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II.

(no update)

B. Northern Pike Removal (2022-2024)

(Kirk will coordinate future presentation)

C. WDFW PIT tag barge.

(Chad will coordinate future presentation)

D. Quincy Northern Pikeminnow Derby

(no update)

E. 2023 RTR Avian Predation study

(Follow-up from presentation of 2022 results)

XI. Sub-Committee Updates

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

A. Priest Rapids Fish Forum – next meeting is April 5

B. Habitat Subcommittee – next meeting is April 13.

C. Fall Chinook Work Group – did not meet in March, will meet in April.

D. Hatchery Subcommittee – next meeting is April 19.

XII. SOAs discussed in 2023

SOA number	Key words	Last Discussed	Status
2022-03	Fish Mode revision	January 24, 2023	Closed
2023-01	Sockeye Salmon Program	January 24, 2023	Closed
2022-02	Hatchery Production Objectives, 2024-2033	February 28, 2023	Closed

XIII. Next Meetings

The next PRCC meetings are scheduled for April 25, May 23, and June 27 at 9 a.m., in person at the Douglas PUD Auditorium and on Webex.

XIV. Today's Action Item Summary: