

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

November 15, 2023

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Agenda Item:	6a	<b>Action</b>
Public Comment Allowed:	<b>Yes</b>	
Topic:	<b>ATV Committee Member Reappointments</b>	
Presented by:	<b>Stefanie Coons, Deputy Director of Administration</b>	

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### **Background:**

The All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Advisory Committee is made up of sixteen voting members and one nonvoting member representing a wide variety of agencies and disciplines. OPRD is seeking to reappoint eight positions that will continue serving on the ATV Advisory Committee.

The ATV Advisory Committee as directed by ORS 390.565 is tasked with: reviewing accidents and fatalities resulting from ATV recreation, reviewing changes to statutory vehicle classifications as necessary for safety considerations, reviewing safety features of all classes of ATVs and recommending appropriate safety requirements to protect child operators and riders of ATVs.

Originally, the 12-member committee from 2009 had the 4 positions expire on January 1, 2012, 4 in 2013 and 4 in 2014. Additional bills in 2011 and 2015 added 5 more members to the group of 4 that expired January 1, 2012. Therefore creating 9 positions all expiring on January 1, 2024. We are currently recruiting for the Emergency Medical Services Provider position since Jim Cole stepped down, due to a recent change in position.

### ***Reappointment of Representatives***

Nine ATV Advisory Committee Representative positions are set to expire January 1, 2024, and are eligible for 4-year reappointments. Two positions, ADA, and Class IV Organizations Representatives will also serve on the ATV Grant Subcommittee which is responsible for reviewing and recommending funding of grants in support of ATV recreational activities statewide.

The following ATV Advisory Committee members currently serving have agreed to serve an additional term and staff recommends the following reappointments:

### **ADA Representative: Ann Haak**

Ann is an active member of Pacific NW Four Wheel Drive Association (PNW4WDA) and has a Jeep and side-by-side. Ann has found that the use of Jeeps and side-by-sides allows her, and others with disabilities, to access ATV riding areas throughout the State.

**Class IV (side-by-side) Organization: Matt Miller**

Matt is part of the Central Oregon Side-by-side (SxS) Club. He is also owner of Octane Rental which rents Side-by-side in the Central Oregon area and is based in Bend.

**Department of Forestry: Reid Brown**

Reid is the OHV Coordinator for the Tillamook State Forest and based in the Forest Grove office. He is an avid dirt biker and won many races over the years.

**Department of Transportation: Amy Joyce**

Amy is the Administrator of Oregon's Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division (DMV), which is part of the Oregon Department of Transportation. Amy has worked with State Parks for many years regarding proposed legislation related to ATV activities.

**Department of Human Services: Peter Geissert**

Peter is an EMS & Trauma Informatics Research Analyst for the Oregon Department of Human Services, Public Health Division. Peter provides injury data related to Off-Highway vehicle use.

**Department of Fish and Wildlife: Greg Jackle**

Greg works out of the Prineville office and sees much ATV use in the Ochoco National Forest.

**Rural Fire Protection District: Jody Phillips**

Jody is a volunteer for the Hauser Fire Department and a member of the Save the Riders Dunes Club. Jody is one of the first responders to many accidents in the sand dunes in the Coos Bay area.

**Non-voting member from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department: Jeff Trejo**

Jeff is the ATV Safety Coordinator for State Parks. The primary functions of the full committee are related to safety and reviewing accidents, therefore OPRD's ATV Safety position fills this role.

**Prior Action by Commission:** Ongoing appointments and re-appointments.

**Action Requested:** Approval to move forward with the appointment of recommended ATV Advisory Committee Members.

**Attachments:** None

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