



**North Central Regional Solutions Advisory Committee Minutes**  
*Representing Hood River, Sherman, and Wasco Counties*

**Monday, July 9, 2018**

**Committee Members in attendance**

Ken Bailey  
Keith Mobley  
Maui Meyer  
Andrea Klaas  
Gary Thompson  
Rod Runyon  
Celeste Hill-Thomas  
Steve Lawrence  
Frank Toda  
Scott Reynier

**Staff in attendance**

Nate Stice

Rod Runyon called the meeting to order at 10:10 am as acting convener

**Public Comment**

None offered.

**Regional Infrastructure Fund Application Review and Prioritization**

The committee received three application for the Regional Infrastructure Fund with a maximum request of \$563,378. Nate Stice discussed the team recommendation contained in the attached memo, and then invited representative of each of the three projects to offer comments.

Commissioner Rod Runyon made a motion to recommend all three for full funding but with the caveat, that if the state grant and loan review committee chooses to fund the region at the minimal \$200,000 level, that it split that amount between the Sherman Broadband and Dee Irrigation project.

### **Update on Regional Workforce Efforts**

Heather Ficht, executive director of the East Cascade Workforce Investment Board, presented their recent state of the workforce report. Kathy Ursprung of the Port of The Dalles presented on the Gorge Works program.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am