



# REGIONAL SOLUTIONS

## Mid-Valley Region Regional Solutions Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda (Marion, Polk, and Yamhill Counties)

January 8, 2026

1:30-3:30 pm

Chemeketa Community College, Bldg. 9, Rm. 128, Salem

X	Committee Members	Role
	Jessica Howard	Convener
	Craig Pope	County Representative
	Kenna West	City Representative
	Philip Higgins	Business Representative
	Kim Hanson	Philanthropy Representative
	Chris Mercier	Tribal Representative
	Miriam Vargas Corona	Community-Based Organization Representative
	<b>Committee Staff</b>	
	Beth Wytoski	Regional Solutions Coordinator

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<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	Welcome and Agenda Review	<i>Jessica Howard</i>
<b>1:35 p.m.</b>	Adoption of October Meeting Minutes	
<b>1:40 p.m.</b>	Public Comment	
<b>1:45 p.m.</b>	Natural Resource Stewardship Introduction of Panelists	<i>Beth Wytoski</i>
<b>1:50 p.m.</b>	Benefits of the Forest Sector <b>Oregon Forest Resource Institute</b>	
<b>2:05 p.m.</b>	Sustainable & Economical Forestry <b>Zena Forest Products</b>	
<b>2:20 p.m.</b>	The Challenge of Building Near Resource Lands <b>City of Independence</b>	
<b>2:35 p.m.</b>	The Balance of Conservation and Development <b>Department of State Lands</b>	
<b>2:50 p.m.</b>	Oregon's Working Lands: Ranchers and Farmers as Stewards <b>Department of Agriculture</b>	
<b>3:05 p.m.</b>	Water Management & Quality <b>Oregon Water Resources Department</b>	
<b>3:20 p.m.</b>	Debrief by Natural Resource Policy Expert <b>Chandra Ferrari</b>	
<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	Adjourn Meeting	<i>Jessica Howard</i>