

Lower Deschutes River Managers Meeting Agenda

November 8, 2024

10 AM – 1:00 PM

BLM – Prineville, Or.

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CHAIR : BLM – Lisa Clark

10:00 AM Welcome and introductions:

Review/ Additions to agenda/ approval of agenda:

2024: Approval of meeting minutes from Managers Meeting on February 9,

Old Business

- **Mary Discussed with IIT regarding what their role is, which is to develop project goals for upcoming 2 years.**
- **Mary updated information in May minutes for clarification**
- **Follow up with field/float trip in July.**

New Business

Clarification as to chair rotations in the coming years.

- 2024 Managers/ BLM IIT/CTWS
 - 2025 Managers/OPRD IIT/ Local Govt.
 - 2026 Managers/ ODFW IIT/ BIA
 - 2027 Managers/ CTWS IIT/ BLM
 - 2028 Managers/ Local Govt. IIT/ OPRD
 - 2029 Managers/ BIA IIT/ ODFW
 - 2030 Managers/ BLM IIT/ CTWS
 - 2031 Managers/ OPRD IIT/ Local Govt.
 - 2032 Managers/ ODFW IIT/ BLM
 - 2033 Managers/ CTWS IIT/ OPRD
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- **Recommendations from IIT regarding projects for 2024. Will work on 2 year recommendations (2025) at their October meeting.** – Still awaiting a spread sheet that Brad was going to work on for projects and time lines. The following is some projects that IIT came up with. The group had an in-depth discussion regarding how some projects may be put on hold for longer periods of time due to budget issues for agencies as well as potential of loss of staff.
 - More campsites on Segments 1 and 4. ODFW working with BLM to re-establish camps in segment 3, specifically where fire has gone thru and reduced shade. Have already done some weed whacking and cleared brush in some sights. Will follow up this winter to see if some new sites are being utilized. Segment 1 has already added some sites at Whisky Dick and White Horse, signage is still needed. Campsite development will continue to be a work in process.
 - All user fee for walk-ins, bike in's, camping is on hold at this time due to budget constraints.
 - The potential NEPA or EA on Segment 4 regarding user impacts is on hold at this time due to budget constraints – unless something changes.

- ROKS in segment 2 and 3 was completed in 2024.
 - Road work projects – completed and this would be on a 10 year rotation
 - Continue work on new Deschutes River Guide. Everyone to add any additions to Mike or Katie, specifically area information that would be educational.
 - Websites to engage more of the public: group had discussion and various agencies committed to each take a piece of this. OPRD will again look at their website and banners as a way to notify the public in a more friendly way. Katie from BLM shared she can figure out a way to add a banner to the REC.Gov site to advise about meetings. Mike M shared that he is working with Lisa regarding finding a previous list of “friends of the River” which included members of the public and guides and outfitters. It was also suggested that everyone who applies for a permit would be added to an email listing to get this information.
- **Boater Pass Numbers/ Any limits or changes?**
 - **Update from OPRD regarding Mary’s position going into next year. Process?**

Round Table Discussions and Updates

- **Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs –**
- **OSMB/ Oregon State Marine Board –**
- **ODFW/ Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife –**
- **Wasco Co. Sheriff Dept. –**
- **OPRD/ Oregon Park and Recreation Departments –**
- **BLM/ Bureau of Land Management –**
- **Local Government –**
- **BIA – Bureau of Indian Affairs-**

- OSP – Oregon State Police-
- Sheriff/ Wasco Co. –

Public Comment:

Final Discussions, Follow up, Action Items:

Next Meetings:

- Generally Managers meet in February, May and late October or early November. Once those dates are set then Mary will set up IIT meetings at least 2 weeks prior to Managers.

Meeting adjourned: