



Oregon Recreation Trails Advisory Council

Minutes

Friday, October 23, 2015
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
City Hall, 163 E. Gower Street,
Cannon Beach, OR 97110

Housekeeping

Attendance:

- X Nancy Ream-Enabnit, Chair, and District 3
 - X Kent Howes, Vice-Chair, and District 2
 - X Jim Thayer, District 1
 - X Rod Sell, District 4
 - X Becky Wolf, District 5
 - X Lauralee Svendsgaard, District 5 (Coast Representative)
 - X Julie Chick, District 5 (Coastal Representative)
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Agenda Item:	August 2015 Minutes	(Action)
Presented by:	Rocky Houston, OPRD	

August 2015 ORTAC meeting minutes were reviewed.

Motion to approve May 2015 minutes by Rod Sell.
Seconded by Becky Wolf.

Motion carried unanimously.



Local Agency / Trail Advocate Updates

Agenda Item: Salmonberry Trail (Information)
Presented by: Rocky Houston

A PowerPoint was presented that provided an overview of the status of the Salmonberry Trail work and identification of key tasks to be worked on over the next year.

Agenda Item: OPRD – Oregon Coast Trail (Information)
Presented by: JR Collier

JR provided an overview of the following projects:

- Depoe Bay connection
- Cape Foulweather connection
- North Coast restoration RTP grant

JR discussed an internal meeting OPRD had to discuss the management of the Oregon Coast Trail. Items being discussed include operation and management, signage, maps and working with external partners.

Agenda Item: Lower Nehalem Community Trust (Information)
Presented by: Dale Cramer-Burr

An overview of the Alder Creek Farm site and the planning for trails was completed. Future work and issues was reviewed.

Agenda Item: Estuary Trail (Information)
Presented by: Tom Bender

An overview of the Estuary Trail was completed. It connects three villages (Wheeler, Nehalem and Manzanita).



Agenda Item: North Coast Trails Coalition (Clatsop) (Information)
Presented by: Steven Blakesly

A review of activities over the past year was completed. The coalition help develop a regional map and formed the current coalition from previous trail groups. They are focused on increasing outdoor recreation and improving the health of the community. They will begin to focus more on trail maintenance in the near future.

Agenda Item: North Coast Trails Alliance (Information)
Presented by: Morgan Soller

They are a new mountain bike focused group with 26 members. They are affiliated with Northwest Trails Alliance. An overview of their recent activities and future plans was completed.

Agenda Item: Oregon Equestrian Trails – North Coast Chapter (Information)
Presented by: Diane Berry

A concern was raised about the status of equestrian facility development at Ft. Stevens State Park. A master plan was completed, but development has not occurred. A request for an update was made.

Agenda Item: BLM (Information)
Presented by: David Moore

A review of the Salem District was completed.

- Tillamook County – plans for the Tillamook Ridge trail system along Wilson River.
- Polk County – plans for the Gooseneck Ridge trail system near Dallas.
- Yamhill County – a review of Alsea Falls trail work and future plans.
- Clackamas County – Molalla River has restoration and planning; Sandy Ridges has an additional 3 miles planned; Mt. Hood Villages has connector trails planned.
- A new recreation management plan is underway.



Agenda Item: Oregon Coast Pathway (Information)
Presented by: Dan Kaufman

A review of the concept was presented. It is an active transportation concept that is additive to the Oregon Coast Trail and Coast Bike Route. A non-profit has been formed.

Agenda Item: North Coast Land Trust (Information)
Presented by: Bonnie Henderson

Information presented about property just south of Seaside and potential trail connections to Ecola State Park.

Agenda Item: OCT Advocacy + Projects (Information)
Presented by: Connie Soper

A review of local efforts on determining the route from Nehalem Mountain to Manzanita and potential project funding efforts.

Agenda Item: North County Recreation District (Information)
Presented by: Steven Cangelosi; Jeremy Mulcahy-Hill

A review of activity in North Tillamook County was completed.

Council Business Items

Agenda Item: OPRD – FY 15-17 Trail Projects (Information)
Presented by: JR Collier

A spreadsheet was handed out that showed the list of projects for the FY 15-17. A review of some of the FY 13-15 projects was made.



Agenda Item: Scenic Bikeway Update (Action)
Presented by: Alex Phillips

Alex presented a handout that summarized Bikeway Committee work over the past year and future activities planned. The Bikeway Program is seeking to goto OPRD's Commission to open up rule making for the Bikeway Program to make some changes.

Motion: ORTAC supports the Scenic Bikeway Committee seeking approval from the OPRD Commission to open up Rulemaking for the Scenic Bikeway to make the proposed rule changes.

Motion made by Jim Thayer
Motion Seconded by Becky Wolf
Motion passed with unanimous approval

Agenda Item: Scenic Trail Applications (Action)
Presented by: Rocky Houston

Santiam Wagon Road – A sub-committee reviewed the trail in August 2015. It did not recommend the trail as a Scenic Trail due to the trail condition and scoring criteria.

Motion: The Santiam Wagon Road did not meet Scenic Trail criteria and is not being recommended to be moved forward in the process.

Motion made by Rod Sell
Motion Seconded by Becky Wolf
Motion passed with unanimous approval

Peterson Ridge Trail – a revised route was reviewed by a sub-committee in October 2015. The sub-committee does not recommend the route as proposed, but did identify variations of the proposed route that would meet Scenic Trail criteria.

Motion: ORTAC does not recommend the Peterson Ridge Trail route revision as proposed.

Motion made by Kent Howes
Motion Seconded by Jim Thayer
Motion passed with unanimous approval



Motion: ORTAC recommends OPRD work with the proponent to review the alternative routes the sub-committee recommended to determine if those proposals are of interest to the proponent. ORTAC would recommend one of the alternative routes as a scenic trail.

Motion made by Lauralee Svendsgaard
 Motion Seconded by Julie Chick
 Motion passed with unanimous approval

South Shore Phillips Lake Trail – ORTAC reviewed the management plan. A public meeting is scheduled for later in the month.

Motion: ORTAC recommends moving the South Shore Phillips Lake Trail to the OPRD Commission for designation as a Scenic Trail after the public meeting and if a majority of public comments are in support for the designation.

Motion made by Jim Thayer
 Motion Seconded by Kent Howes
 Motion passed with unanimous approval

Agenda Item:	Officer Elections	(Action)
Presented by:	Rocky Houston	

Chair: Motion: Lauralee Svendsgaard as Chair
 Motion made by Jim Thayer
 Motion Seconded by Julie Chick
 Motion passed with unanimous approval

Vice Chair: Motion: Kent Howes as Vice Chair
 Motion made by Lauralee Svendsgaard
 Motion Seconded by Becky Wolf
 Motion passed with unanimous approval

Council Site Visits

A walking tour from the meeting room along the trail system in Cannon Beach was completed.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 PM



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October 24, 2015

Tillamook County, Oregon

8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Council Site Visits

A review of the Nehalem Water Trail occurred near Wheeler, OR.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 PM