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Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Business Meeting – 8:00 a.m.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the April 21 board meeting will be held virtually. The public is welcome to listen to the meeting through the following methods:

- YouTube Streaming: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0dl-TOwLt4Sp-i1KEa OA/featured.
- Phone: Dial 1-669-900-6833. When prompted, enter ID number 788 784 256.

For each agenda item, the time listed is approximate. Anyone interested in a particular agenda item is encouraged to give ample time, and listen in to the meeting at least 30 minutes before the approximate agenda item time.

Time has not been allotted for oral public comment to be provided at the virtual meeting. However, written comments will still be accepted on any item before the board. Written comments should be sent to Eric Hartstein. Written comments received by 5:00 pm on Monday, April 20 will be provided to the board for their deliberations.

A. Review and Approval of Minutes (8:25 a.m.)

The minutes of the January 22-23, 2020 meeting in Jacksonville will be presented for board approval. *Action item*.

B. Board Co-Chair Election (8:30 a.m.)

The current term of Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Co-Chair Randy Labbe ends in April 2020. Board members will vote to elect one board Co-Chair position for a new two-year term. *Action item*.

C. Public Comment (8:35 a.m.)

This time is reserved for the board to review the written public comment submitted for the meeting.

D. OWEB Monitoring Grants- Administrative Rules (8:50 a.m.)

Deputy Director Renee Davis, Effectiveness Monitoring Coordinator Ken Fetcho, and Senior Policy Coordinator Eric Hartstein will present monitoring grants administrative rule revisions for board consideration and approval. Public comment associated with this item may be heard as part of general public comment. However, because this item has already been the subject of a formal public hearing and a comment period, further public testimony may not be taken except upon changes made to the item since the original

public comment period, or upon the direct request of the board members in order to obtain additional information. *Action item*.

F. Board Committee Structure (10:00 a.m.)

Senior Policy Coordinator Eric Hartstein will present the new board committee structure and board membership. *Information item*.

G. Director's Update (10:20 a.m.)

Executive Director Meta Loftsgaarden and OWEB staff will update the board on agency business and late-breaking issues. *Information item*.

M. Water Acquisition Grant Program- Administrative Rules (11:30 a.m.)

Grant Program Manager Eric Williams, Partnerships Coordinator Jillian McCarthy, and Senior Policy Coordinator Eric Hartstein will present administrative rule revisions for the water acquisition grant program for board consideration and approval. Public comment associated with this item may be heard as part of general public comment. However, because this item has already been the subject of a formal public hearing and a comment period, further public testimony may not be taken except upon changes made to the item since the original public comment period, or upon the direct request of the board members in order to obtain additional information. *Action item*.

N. Telling the Restoration Story (12:30 p.m.)

Conservation Outcomes Coordinator Audrey Hatch will provide a *written* update to the board on the 'Telling the Restoration Story' targeted grant offering, and provide an example from Coyote Creek in the Long Tom watershed. *Information item*.

O. Board Committee Updates (12:35 p.m.)

Representatives from board subcommittees will provide *written* updates on subcommittee topics to the full board. *Information item*.

Meeting Rules and Procedures

Meeting Procedures

Generally, agenda items will be taken in the order shown. However, in certain circumstances, the board may elect to take an item out of order. To accommodate the scheduling needs of interested parties and the public, the board may also designate a specific time at which an item will be heard. Any such times are indicated on the agenda.

Please be aware that topics not listed on the agenda may be introduced during the Board Comment period, the Executive Director's Update, the Public Comment period, under Other Business, or at other times during the meeting.

Oregon's Public Meetings Law requires disclosure that board members may meet for meals when OWEB meetings convene.

Voting Rules

The OWEB Board has 18 members. Of these, 11 are voting members and 7 are ex-officio. For purposes of conducting business, OWEB's voting requirements are divided into 2 categories – general business and action on grant awards.

General Business

A general business quorum is **6 voting members**. General business requires a majority of **all** voting members to pass a resolution (not just those present), so general business resolutions require affirmative votes of **at least 6 voting members**. Typical resolutions include adopting, amending, or appealing a rule, providing staff direction, etc. These resolutions cannot include a funding decision.

Action on Grant Awards

Per ORS 541.360(4), special requirements apply when OWEB considers action on grant awards. This includes a special **quorum of at least 8 voting members** present to take action on grant awards, and affirmative votes of at least six voting members. In addition, regardless of the number of members present, **if 3 or more voting members** object to an award of funds, the proposal will be rejected.

Public Testimony

The board encourages public comment on any agenda item.

Written comments will be accepted on any item before the board. Written comments should be sent to Eric Hartstein at Eric.Hartstein@oregon.gov. Please note that written comments received after 5:00 pm on April 20, 2020 will not be provided to the board in advance of the meeting.

Executive Session

The board may also convene in a confidential executive session where, by law, only press members and OWEB staff may attend. Others will be asked to leave the room during these discussions, which usually deal with current or potential litigation. Before convening such a session, the presiding board member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

More Information

If you have any questions about this agenda or the Board's procedures, please call April Mack, OWEB Board Assistant, at 503-986-0181 or send an e-mail to april.mack@oregon.gov. If special

physical, language, or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise April Mack as soon as possible, and at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Membership

Voting Members

Barbara Boyer, Board of Agriculture
Molly Kile, Environmental Quality Commission
Mark Labhart, Fish and Wildlife Commission
Brenda McComb, Board of Forestry
Meg Reeves, Water Resources Commission
Jason Robison, Board Co-Chair, Public (Tribal)
Gary Marshall, Public
Jamie McLeod-Skinner, Public
Randy Labbe, Board Co-Chair, Public
Bruce Buckmaster, Public
Liza Jane McAlister, Public

Non-voting Members

Eric Murray, National Marine Fisheries Service
Stephen Brandt, Oregon State University Extension Service
Debbie Hollen, U.S. Forest Service
Anthony Selle, U.S. Bureau of Land Management
Ron Alvarado, U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service
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2020 Board Meeting Schedule

January 22-23, in Jacksonville April 21, Virtual June, TBD July 21-22, in Sisters October 20-21, in Enterprise

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