



Oregon Environmental Restoration Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

12:00pm – 5:00pm

Location of Meeting

Land Board Room in the State Lands Building, 775 Summer St NE, Salem, OR 97301 ([map](#))

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Meeting Materials

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Public Comment

The Oregon Environmental Restoration Council welcomes written or verbal public comment. All written comments and requests to make verbal comments to the Council should be submitted following the instructions on oregonerf.org

The deadline for submitting written comments and requests is **5pm, Monday, May 4, 2026**.

Written comments will be provided to the Council before the meeting. Verbal comments are limited to up to three minutes and will be heard in the public comment period (Agenda Item 3).

More Information

If physical, auditory, language, or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please contact Clare Lanusse at 971-707-1190 or Clare.K.Lanusse@OWEB.oregon.gov as soon as possible, and at least 48 hours before the meeting.

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If you have any questions about this agenda or the Council's procedures, please contact Clare Lanusse at 971-707-1190 or Clare.K.Lanusse@OWEB.oregon.gov.

AGENDA

Time	Topic Description
12:00 pm	Roll Call and Opening Remarks, Meeting Overview and Objectives (Co-Chair Michael Dembrow and Vice Chair Cheyenne Holliday)
12:10 pm	Item 1 – Consent Items (Co-Chair Michael Dembrow) Meeting minutes from March 18, 2026
12:15 pm	Item 2 – State Agency Presentations (Rachel Thompson, Program Coordinator) Oregon Environmental Restoration Fund Program Coordinator Rachel Thompson will introduce staff from Oregon Department of State Lands, Oregon Department of Agriculture, and Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. Staff from those agencies will present to the Council on agency missions, strategic objectives, and areas of opportunities within their agencies that the Agency Program Fund may help to address. <i>Information item.</i> <i>Note: Additional eligible state agencies will present at upcoming Council meetings</i>
12:50 pm	Item 3 – Agency Program Fund Proposal Preview Senior Natural Resources Policy Advisor Geoff Huntington from the Governor’s Office and staff from involved state agencies will preview the Agency Program Fund Proposal. Council will have an opportunity to ask questions and request additional information from the Governor’s Office and agencies. <i>Information item.</i>
2:30 pm	Break
2:45 pm	Item 4 – Public Comment This time is reserved for the Council to hear public comments and review any written public comment submitted for the meeting. <i>Please see oregonerf.org for more information</i>
3:15 pm	Item 5 – Strategic Priorities (Nicole Maness, Program Manager, Rachel Thompson, Program Coordinator, Co-Chair Michael Dembrow, and Vice Chair Cheyenne Holliday) Oregon Environmental Restoration Fund Program Manager Nicole Maness and Oregon Environmental Restoration Fund Program Coordinator Rachel Thompson will introduce the strategic priority agenda item by sharing a proposed process and timeline for strategic priority adoption for Council’s consideration. The Council will be facilitated through a discussion session to develop shared definitions of key terms in the Monsanto settlement agreement and authorizing legislation, develop further articulation of the purpose of the Oregon Environmental Restoration Fund, and discuss consultation with the Environmental Justice Council on strategic priorities as described in ORS 541.882 . <i>Information item.</i>
4:55 pm	Next Steps, Reminders & Wrap Up (Vice Chair Cheyenne Holliday)
5:00 pm	Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings

June 22, 2026 (Fully Virtual)
July 15, 2026 (Salem/Hybrid)
September 16, 2026 (Salem/Hybrid)
November 18, 2026 (Salem/Hybrid)

Meeting Rules and Procedures

Voting Rules

The Oregon Environmental Restoration Council has 13 members. Of these, 11 are voting members and 2 are non-voting advisory members. A majority of the voting members of the Council constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. Once quorum is established, action items require affirmative votes of the simple majority.

Executive Session and Meals

The Council may 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 council member will make a public announcement and explain necessary procedures.

Council members may also gather for meals when convening for OERC meetings; however, Oregon's Public Meetings Law does not apply to these meals so long as communications do not convey deliberations or decisions that might reasonably come before the governing body. Please see [ORS 192.690\(m\)](#) and [OAR 199-050-0015\(3\)](#).

Oregon Environmental Restoration Council Membership

Voting Members

Jenn Bildersee, *Public, Scientific Expertise*
Debbie Colbert, *Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife*
Michael Dembrow, *Council Co-Chair, Public*
Leah Feldon, *Director, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality*
Cheyenne Holliday, *Council Vice Chair, Public*
Geoff Huntington, *Governor Designee*
Molly Kile, *ScD, Public, Scientific Expertise*
André Ourso, *Director Designee, Oregon Health Authority*
Alaí Reyes-Santos, *PhD, Public*
Chuck Sams, *Council Co-Chair, Public*
Leslie Wu, *Attorney General Designee, Oregon Department of Justice*

Non-Voting Members

Senator David Brock Smith, *Oregon Legislative Assembly*
Representative Ken Helm, *Oregon Legislative Assembly*

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