

## MEETING OVERVIEW

*For the November 30, 2022 YBFWRB Board of Directors Meeting*

**In-person attendees are invited to join us for a pizza lunch at 12:00 in the Board's office at 1200 Chesterly Drive, Suite 280 in Yakima (please RSVP so we know you are coming!) prior to the meeting.**

**The Online GoTo meeting option will start at 12:30 pm.**

**Meeting link:** <https://www.gotomeet.me/AlexC/ybfwrb-meetings>

**You can also dial in using your phone at:** [+1 \(786\) 535-3211](tel:+17865353211) with **Access Code:** 692-652-957

### NOTES ON DIGITAL MEETING:

- 1. We are using GoTo Meeting. Please join the meeting 5-10 minutes early so that you have time to set up any required plug-ins, etc.*
- 2. If you are having trouble joining the meeting, email or text Kayla at (360) 991-6660; [kgallentine@ybfwrb.org](mailto:kgallentine@ybfwrb.org)*
- 3. Please do use the computer link so that you can view shared materials and use the chat bar to participate and request a chance to speak.*
- 4. Use of video is optional but recommended.*
- 5. Note that using computer audio and/or video requires a fast web connection; if your connection is struggling, call in via phone.*
- 6. We will be monitoring the chat bar during the meeting; please do use “??” if you would like us to call on you to speak. We may also use the chat function to call for Yeas and Nays on motions.*
- 7. When not talking, please mute yourself on the GoTo meeting control panel to avoid feedback and background noise.*

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At 12:30 we will be recognizing Paul Ward for his long service on the Board (something we never did in person given these strange three years) and hearing from him about his current work on federal salmon policy.

From ~1 to 1:45 we will have an informal workshop discussion focused on Board priorities and perspectives.

The regular business meeting of the Board of Directors will commence at 2 pm

#### 1. Introductions, Agenda and Minutes

We'll start the meeting with introductions, review/approval of the agenda, and review/approval of the minutes from our August Annual Meeting. The **agenda (Item #1)** and **draft minutes for the September Board of Directors meeting (Item #3)** are attached, along with **notes from the November 17 Executive Committee meeting (Item #4)**.

## 2. Public Comment

Members of the public will be invited to speak to any items on the agenda, or any additional items of interest.

## 3. Announcements and Updates

We'll give a brief power point with a number of partner and program updates; Do also feel free to bring your own updates to share!

There only correspondence of note is the **letter to the Governor (item #5)** the Board sent based on direction given at the last Board of Directors meeting.

## 4. Board Logistics

- a. We will touch base on the participation of the City of Union Gap in Board Meetings and review a **proposed letter to the City (item #6)** regarding the lack of participation in the Directors seat held by the city.
- b. We will review the goals of our **proposed year end letter to member governments (item #7)** and review and approve the draft letter to member governments to be sent the third week of December.
- c. We will discuss plans for the January 25<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting. Our pre-meeting workshop will focus on starting our strategic planning exercise; we will review possible topics for the business meeting.
- d. We will review the **RFP for consultant support for Strategic Planning (Item #8)** and discuss (and recruit volunteers for) the process to review proposals and select a contractor. We hope to have a contractor selected in December (proposals are due the 12<sup>th</sup>), with contracting completed by early January. This will require the Board to make a **motion to delegate approval of a contract to the Chair or Executive Committee, potentially with email review by the full Board of Directors.**

## 5. Lead Entity Program

Michael Horner will update the Board on the 2022 SRFB Grant Round. Over \$7.5 million have already been awarded to Yakima Basin projects in 2022 through our regular grant round and the SRFB's new Targetted Investment program.

\$3.6 million is due to be awarded to a large project from the Yakima on December 7. Michael will **review the two proposed projects and ask the Board to approve the final large project ranking (item #9).**

Michael will then update the Board on preparations for the 2023 grant round and implementation of our BLM funding agreement.

## 6. State Legislative Outreach

We will discuss plans for legislative outreach in early 2022. The new legislative outreach committee met in October to discuss priorities and messages for legislative outreach (see item #10) and will

meet again in early January to develop specific talking points for the Board to approve at the January 25<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting. We've got a good group on the committee but would also welcome additional volunteers!

**7. Outreach Program Update and Plans**

Kayla will give an update on recent outreach activities and the Board's outreach plan, followed by an in-depth discussion of planned area-specific workshops. The **current work plan for the first- a Kittitas County workshop for streamside landowners- is attached as item #11**; we will be looking for input on the timing and focus of subsequent Yakima and Benton County workshops, and possibly a Yakama Nation workshop.

**8. Recovery Program Updates**

Alex provide updates on:

- a. Recent activities of the Yakima Bull Trout Working Group
- b. Steelhead Recovery Program contracts
- c. Columbia River Policy developments