

# Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Advisory Council

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | MEETING AGENDA

10:00am-2:00pm Pacific

## ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Diane Barlow (Chair)	Mike Dawson	Philip Hough	Michael Lithgow	Elizabeth Thomas
Randy Beacham	Michael DeCramer	Robert Kendall	Michael Liu	Diane Priebe (BLM)
Glenn Blakeslee	Dan Dinning	David Kennedy	Soisette Lumpkin	Erik Frenzel (NPS)
Frank Bob	Leah Dobby	Clifford Kipp	Elizabeth Nelson	Kevin Knauth (FS)
Jeffrey Chapman	Melinda DuPree	Jeff Kish	Ashley South	
Callum Cintron	Molly Erickson	Justin Kooyman	Adam Sowards	
Michael Cuffe	Luke Fisher	Michael Kroschel	Shelly Stevens	

## OBJECTIVES:

- Have quorum present and approve minutes for January 2023 meeting.
  - Allow time to share public comments intended for the meeting, if requested in advance by February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as noted in Federal Register Notice.
  - Post minutes within 90 days of the meeting (by 05/28/2024).
  - Provide opportunities for introductions, relationship-building, and perspective-taking.
- Priority goal setting and direction for the USFS in implementing the Comprehensive Plan
- Develop Agenda for April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

## MEETING AGENDA:

Time	Item	Owner
10:00	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members</li> <li>• USFS and Other Government Employees</li> <li>• Members of the Public</li> </ul>	Facilitator - Tom
10:15	<b>Council Business, Notes, &amp; Agenda</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approve Minutes from January 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting.</li> <li>• Review day's agenda</li> <li>• Review public comments received</li> <li>• April 9<sup>th</sup> Agenda (OLR Topic)</li> </ul>	Chair – Diane USFS – Jeff USFS – Lisa
10:30	<b>Update from Forest Service Region 6</b>	Sally Butts - Director - Recreation, Lands & Minerals
10:45	<b>Update on Discretionary Advisory Committee Request &amp; Effort.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status from Council</li> <li>• Status from USFS</li> </ul>	Chair – Diane
11:00	<b>Update on Service Mark</b>	USFS – Lisa
11:15	<b>Goal Setting &amp; Breakout Groups:</b>	Facilitator – Tom Chair – Diane USFS – Jeff USFS – Lisa
11:45	<b>BRIEF BREAK</b>	
12:00	<b>Goal Setting &amp; Breakout Groups Continued</b>	Facilitator – Tom Chair – Diane USFS – Jeff USFS – Lisa
12:30	<b>Goal Prioritization Process</b>	USFS – Jeff USFS – Lisa
01:00	<b>BRIEF BREAK</b>	
01:15	<b>Public Comment Period</b>	Facilitator – Tom
01:50	<b>Close-out &amp; Bin Items</b>	Facilitator – Tom
02:00	<b>Meeting Ends</b>	Facilitator – Tom

## HELPFUL LINKS

PNT Forest Service website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/pnt>

PNT Comprehensive Plan website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=52259>

PNT Advisory Council website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/pnt/working-together/advisory-committees>

## BREAKOUT GROUP EXERCISE:

**Intent:** To provide an opportunity for council members to provide advice and proposed direction to the USFS in the implementation of the PNT Comprehensive Plan.

**Purpose:** Work to create a list of prioritized goals and areas of action/implementation for the USFS in the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan. Goals will be specific and time bound.

### Groups:

- **Group 1:** Randy Beacham, Frank Bob, Mike Dawson, Dan Dinning, Melinda DuPree, Luke Fisher, Robert Kendall, Jeff Kish, Michael Kroschel, Michael Liu, Elizabeth Nelson, Adam Sowards, Elizabeth Thomas, and Erik Frenzel (NPS)
- **Group 2:** Glenn Blakeslee, Jeffrey Chapman, Michael Cuffe, Leah Dobey, Molly Erickson, Philip Hough, David Kennedy, Clifford Kipp, Justin Kooyman, Michael Lithgow, Soisette Lumpkin, Ashley South, Shelly Stevens, and Kevin Knauth (FS).

### Areas of Discussion:

- **Visitor Information and Interpretation:**
  - **Appendix G and Chapter 5 Considerations:**
    - Objectives and Practices for Trail Management: Coordinate with the managing agencies and partner organizations to provide essential trail usage and safety information as well as significant natural, historical, and cultural information to maximize and enhance knowledge and appreciation of the lands through which the PNT travels.
  - **Questions to Address:**
    - What opportunities already exist that can be built up on to support outreach and interpretation efforts associated with the trail?
    - What are the most important needs related to outreach, education, and interpretation?
    - Are there organizations/partners who can help lead/support interpretation and education efforts?
    - What are some key considerations/priorities related to visitor information and interpretation that should be addressed in the next 12-18 months?
- **Community, Collaboration, and Facilities:**
  - **Appendix G Considerations:**
    - Collaborative Management: Meet with managing agencies and partner organizations to discuss capacity and funding needs related to PNT management and implementation of this comprehensive plan, and to identify opportunities to strategically align and leverage resources.
    - Visitor Use Management: Coordinate with the National Park Service and the other managing agencies and partner organizations regarding trail management and administration.
  - **Questions to Address:**
    - Looking at localized geographic areas, are there potential collaborators/stakeholders/interested parties along the trail that the Forest Service should be coordinating trail management with?
    - What are the highest priority coordination needs that aren't already happening?
    - What facilities/infrastructure are needed to better meet the nature and purposes for which the trail was designated? What areas/needs should be the highest priority and why?

### Schedule:

11:15	<b>Visitor Information and Interpretation</b>	<b>Group 1</b> and Diane Barlow, Lisa Romano, Olivia Tong
	<b>Community, Collaboration, and Facilities</b>	<b>Group 2</b> and Jeff Kitchens, Tom Krekel, Jessica Ibarra
11:45	<b>BRIEF BREAK</b>	
12:00	<b>Visitor Information and Interpretation</b>	<b>Group 2</b> and Diane Barlow, Lisa Romano, Olivia Tong
	<b>Community, Collaboration, and Facilities</b>	<b>Group 1</b> and Jeff Kitchens, Tom Krekel, Jessica Ibarra
12:30	<b>Goal Prioritization Process</b>	USFS – Jeff USFS – Lisa