

OWEB Climate and Water Committee
December 15, 2022
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Agenda

1) Quantifying climate benefits of riparian reforestation

Rose Graves, Natural Climate Solutions Scientist with The Nature Conservancy, will talk about a new statewide project aimed at quantifying the climate benefits, primarily related to carbon sequestration and storage, of riparian reforestation. The committee will also discuss how additional funds from OWEB could enhance understanding of climate adaptation-related benefits.

2) Emerald ash borer invasion in the PNW: potential impacts on riparian areas and management options

Staff from the Oregon Department of Forestry will talk about the recent discovery of emerald ash borer in Oregon and its implications for wetlands and riparian areas in the state. The committee will have a chance to discuss impacts, policy considerations, and next steps.

3) Discuss committee priorities and intersectionality between committees

Committee members will discuss Climate/Water committee priorities and cross-cutting topics with the DEI and Grants Committee.

4) Update on Climate Resolution rulemaking process

Eric Hartstein, Board and Legislative Policy Coordinator, will update the committee on the Climate Resolution rulemaking process.

5) Public comment

6) Good of the order/potential topics for next committee meeting

Written and verbal public comment

The Committee encourages public comment on any agenda item.

Written comments

Written comments should be sent to April Mack at April.mack@oweb.oregon.gov. Written comments received by Wednesday, December 14th at 4:00 p.m. will be provided to the committee in advance of the meeting.

Verbal comments

Verbal comments are limited to three minutes and will be heard in the public comment period (Agenda Item 5). To provide verbal comment, you must email April Mack at April.mack@oweb.oregon.gov by December 14th at 4:00 p.m. and provide your name and the topic you wish to comment on. You will then be provided with information on how to access the meeting.