

Working to restore viable and sustainable populations of salmon, steelhead and other at-risk species through collaborative, economically sensitive efforts, combined resources, and wise resource management of the Upper Columbia Region.



Citizens Advisory Committee 2015/2016 Recruitment

Background Information

The Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Board (UCSRB) approved the Chelan and Okanogan Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) recruitment process last December 12, 2013. Once the membership of either CAC committee falls below seven members, the UCSRB initiates a "call for nomination" through the local subbasin planning groups. The UCSRB requests that each planning group submit one or more citizen committee nominees. The Lead Entity Coordinator will transmit these nominations to the respective county commissions. Each county commission will provide a final candidate from these nominations to the UCSRB for approval. Please see the 2015 recruitment criteria, the list of current citizens committees (Table 1) and the anticipated timeline for this recruitment process (Table 2) below.

Recruitment Criteria:

1. Diverse Interest Representation
 - a. Currently seeking representatives from: local governments, business interest, tribes, volunteer groups, and other habitat interests.
2. Geographic Representation (from 2 subbasins in the Upper Columbia)
 - a. Nominees from the Entiat, and Methow subbasin are eligible at this time.

Table 1. Current Citizens Advisory Committees Representatives

Chelan County Members	Representation	Geographic Area
Mike Deason (City of Leavenworth)	City	Leavenworth/ Wenatchee
Jerry Gutzwiler (Former WDFW Fish and Wildlife Commission)	Citizen	Squilchuck/ Wenatchee
OPEN POSITION Currently Hal Hawley (Entiat Watershed Planning Unit & Cascadia Conservation District Board)	Conservation District	Entiat
Buford Howell (Interested Citizen)	Citizen	Leavenworth/ Wenatchee
Rick Smith (Chair) (Wenatchee Reclamation District)	Landowners/Business Interest	Wenatchee
Jon Small (Entiat Orchardist)	Landowner/Business Interest	Entiat
Currently Dave Graybill (WDFW Fish and Wildlife Commission & the Fishin Magician)	Business Interest/Habitat Interests	Leavenworth/ Wenatchee

Okanogan CAC Members	Representation	Geographic Area
Jerry Barnes (Okanogan Watershed Planning Unit)	Citizens	Okanogan
Bob Monetta (Business/Realtor)	Business Interest	Methow
Craig Nelson (Chair) (Okan. Conservation District)	Conservation District	Okanogan
OPEN POSITION Don Phillips (Interested Citizen)	Citizen/Landowner	Methow
Louis Sukuvaty (Farmer)	Business Interest	Methow
Dale Swedberg (WDFW)	Environmental Group	Okanogan
Will Keller (NRCS and Citizen)	Citizen/Landowner	Okanogan

Table 2. Recruitment Timeline

Citizens Advisory Committee Recruitment Timeline		
Sept. 16 to Oct. 23	Call for Nominations through the planning groups/Leads and forwarded to the LE Coordinator	Compilation of Nominees
Oct/Nov	LE Coordinator compiles and transmits to the County Commissions for selection	Nominee Selection
Dec. 10	UCSRB Meeting	Board Decision/Approval

Legislative Language:

The following excerpt is from the Washington State Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 77.85 Salmon Recovery Act as it pertains to Citizens' Committees.

"(b) The lead entity shall establish a committee that consists of representative interests of counties, cities, conservation districts, tribes, environmental groups, business interests, landowners, citizens, volunteer groups, regional fish enhancement groups, and other habitat interests. The purpose of the committee is to provide a citizen-based evaluation of the projects proposed to promote salmon habitat."

Conflict of Interest Statement:

A conflict of interest occurs if the candidate stands to benefit financially from a salmon recovery project's; or has a position that directly contributes to the development of salmon habitat proposal.

Planning Group Leads please send all nominees to:

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