



AGENDA

ENTIAT WATERSHED PLANNING UNIT MEETING

March 2nd, 2022

4:00-5:30 PM

Zoom conference meeting

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Facilitator: Mark Ingman, Cascadia CD

Mtg begins: 4:03 pm

Attendance: Mark Ingman, Chris Clemons, Graham Simon, Nada Wentz, Renee Swearingen, Amanda Barg, Alex Harwell, Steve Kolk, Stephen Lesky, Alan Schmidt, Kodi Jaspers, Kari Grover Wier.

4:00 Welcome and introductions

Mark Ingman/ALL

- Introductions, all participants – round table intros
- Review agenda; call for new items – Update from the Entiat Forest Ranger District regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Mad Roaring Mills Restoration project. No other topics were requested for this meeting – Agenda stands.

4:15 EWPU, Procedural Information, Questions/Discussion

Mark Ingman/ALL

The meeting was called to order with a brief history of the development of the Entiat Watershed Planning Unit (EWPU), the groups goals and the mission statement of the founders. Questions and ideas were discussed as to how to get the group active again and what incentives are needed for landowners to attend.

4:30 Discussion of Entiat Resident Interests for Planning Unit

ALL

Some of the problems noted were time of day and meeting place options, poor phone/cell phone/internet connections making virtual meetings difficult, topics of interest to landowners, and the pandemic in general.

Some incentives mentioned were meetings at the Fire Station, agency involvement in community events, progress of completed project goals, an all-inclusive community / agency

calendar for better coordination of events and meetings, site visits, project construction information, information on fishing seasons, all agency inclusive mailings, brag boards and food.

It was mentioned that residents would like to get follow-up reports on completed projects and they would rather see what is done than hear promises.

5:00 Additional Topics for Q2 Meeting

ALL

A brief discussion followed regarding the Entiatwatershed.org website. Feedback was requested from the group. The intent is to include Entiat events, meetings, agency news, project updates and links to resources for residents to search.

5:15 Roundtable Updates

ALL

UCSRB is requesting project info.

Kari – Gave a brief report on the updated assessment. Mad Roaring Mills Assessment – lower Entiat in the Mad/Roaring/Mills watersheds. Fuels reduction work, restoration, stream restoration on Mad and Roaring creeks. Improvements to road system. The draft is different than what has been done in the past.

Tillicum area, tree thinning over the years. Got partnership with DNR to do 3,000 acres of thinning. Will see a lot of contractors cutting small trees in that area.

The Yakama Nation's Silver Falls Campground project will have helicopter placement of wood this summer. Folks' up valley will be able to see the work.

Send landowners to Kodi Jaspers with any beaver issues.

Alex – just started last week. Working in Wenatchee watershed, tying in with Entiat. Excited to be here.

Renee – discover Entiat, up Entiat river trails. Would like to put out to all agencies. Help us to preserve and keep the area pristine. Let's educate people ahead of time. Lot of people in the woods that don't know what they are doing. Any info can give Renee a heads up.

Chris – river mile 24 up to the Silver Falls will be closed. I will keep in communication with you.

Mark – would like to change one word – transform conflicts - instead of - avoid conflicts.
Conflicts can be a path for progress. Recreation is a valuable piece of the valley.

Renee – email in the chat – please talk with me to coordinate events.

Mark – appreciate your contributions.

Next Meeting, Wednesday June 1, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Entiat WRIA 46 Planning Unit Mission Statement

“To voluntarily bring people together to improve communication, reduce conflicts, address problems, reach consensus, and implement actions to improve natural resource management on associated private and public lands in the Entiat WRIA 46”