

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON RIVER GOVERNANCE

September 9-11, 2024 | Richland, WA



Agenda

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Lodging Location

The Courtyard by Marriott at Columbia Point
480 Columbia Point Drive
Richland, WA 99352
(509) 942-9400

Meeting Location

The Courtyard by Marriott at Columbia Point
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Monday, September 9th

5:30 – 7:30 pm **Welcome Reception and Dinner– REACH Museum** (Invitation only)
1943 Columbia Park Trail
Richland, WA 99352

Tuesday, September 10th

8:00 am **Hosted Continental Breakfast**
Foyer

8:30 am **Welcome, Opening Remarks and Roundtable Introductions**

- Senator Claudia Kauffman, WA LCRG Chair
- Opening Prayer – Nez Perce/Yakama
- LCRG Members
- Speakers & Guests in attendance
- CSG West Staff

9:15 am **Columbia River Basin Project & The Odessa Groundwater Replacement Project**

- Derek Sandison, Director, Washington State Department of Agriculture

9:45 am **Columbia River Treaty: Agreement in Principle on Amendments**

- Abraham D. Wise, Public Diplomacy Advisor, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, US Department of State
- Stephen Gluck, Lead Negotiator Columbia River Treaty, Global Affairs Canada

10:45 am **Six Sovereigns Agreement: Panel Discussion**
Moderated by LCRG Chair Senator Claudia Kauffman

- Chairman Shannon Wheeler, Nez Perce Tribe
- Tom Iverson, Regional Coordinator, Yakama Nation Yakama Fisheries
- Corrinne Sams, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation

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Tuesday, September 10th (Continued)

- 12:00 pm **Hosted Lunch**
Foyer
- 1:30 pm **Saving our Salmon: Salmon Preservation and Conservation**
- Chairman Shannon Wheeler, Nez Perce
 - Jeremy Takala, member on the Yakama Nation Tribal Council and Chair of the Columber River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission
 - Aja DeCouteau, Executive Director, Columber River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission
 - David Blodgett, Program Manager, Yakama Nation Fisheries
- 2:30 pm **NOAAA Fisheries Activities and Updates**
- Michael Tehan Assistant Regional Administrator, West Coast Region
- 3:15 pm **Break**
- 3:30 pm **Roundtable Discussion: What is happening in your state or tribe to work in partnerships to protect salmon, other native fish and natural resources? What opportunities do we have as Pacific Northwest legislators to act together?**
- Senator Claudia Kauffman, Moderator
 - All LCRG Members, Tribal Leaders and Legislators
- 4:15 pm **6-PPD Legislation and Roundtable Discussion**
- Senator Jesse Salomon, Washington
- 4:45 pm **A look ahead and adjourn for Dinner Event (Invitation only)**
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Wednesday, September 11th

- 8:00 am **Hosted Continental Breakfast**
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- 8:30 am **Meeting Called to Order**
- 8:45 am **CSG West Resolution on Harmonizing State & Provincial Approaches to Invasive Species**
- Senator Claudia Kauffman, LCRG Chair
 - Edgar Ruiz, Director, CSG West
- 9:00 am **Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention and Mitigation: A Four State Update**
- Keith DeHart, Invasive Species and Wildlife Integrity Supervisor, Oregon Department of Fish & Game
 - Justin Bush, Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife
 - Nicholas Zurfluh, Bureau Chief, Idaho Invasive Species and Noxious Weeds
 - Thomas Woolf, Aquatic Invasive Species Bureau Chief, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks
- 9:50 am **Aquatic Invasive Species Canine Inspection and Detection Demonstration**
- Nick Knauss, Aquatic Invasive Species Inspector and Canine Handler, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
 - Fin, Aquatic Invasive Species Canine, Aquatic Invasive Species Inspector, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- 10:30 am **The Future of Energy on the Columbia River**
- Ali Zbib, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- 11:15 am **Legislative Council on River Governance Business**
- **CSG West Director's Report**
 - **Rotation of 2025 LCRG Chair**
 - **Know Before You Go: Ice Harbor Dam Tour Briefing**
- 11:30 am **Adjournment**
- 12:45 pm **Depart for Ice Harbor Dam Tour**
Vehicles for those needed transport will board in front of the Hotel starting at 12:30 pm
- 1:30 pm **Tour Ice Harbor Dam**