



OREGON ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION COUNCIL

December 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL AT THE JANUARY 22, 2026 MEETING

December 18, 2025 Virtual Council Meeting

Zoom Webinar and live streamed on [YouTube](#)

All meeting materials can be found on oregonerf.org under the specific meeting date.

ATTENDEES

OERC MEMBERS

Debbie Colbert
Michael Dembrow
Leah Feldon
Rep. Ken Helm
Cheyenne Holliday
Geoff Huntington
Molly Kile
André Ourso
Chuck Sams
Sen. David Brock Smith
Leslie Wu
Absent: Alai Reyes-Santos

OWEB STAFF

Nicole Bettinardi
Clare Lanusse
Nicole Maness
Sara O'Brien
Rachel Thompson

OTHERS

Troy Abercrombie
Josh Alpert
Dave Bugni
Jennifer Butler
Sarah Clark
Ned Fairchild
Kevin Fenn
James Fraser
Marc Hudson
Michael Lang
Eric Main

OTHERS

Dani Marshall
Anca Matica
April McEwen
Hoang-Van Nguyen
Holly Purpura
Sarah Reif
Taylor Sarman
Neil Schulman
Alison Shane
Marie Simonds
Rebecca Wells-Albers

AGENDA

Timestamp	
	The meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm by Co-Chair Chuck Sams: Recording
00:02:23	Roll Call and Opening Remarks, Meeting Overview, and Objectives Co-Chair Sams opened the meeting and provided an overview of the agenda.
00:05:02	Item 1 – Consent Items Motion #1. Michael Dembrow moved acceptance of October 9 inaugural council meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Leslie Wu. Debbie Colbert, Michael Dembrow, Leah Feldon, Cheyenne Holliday, Geoff Huntington, Molly Kile, André Ourso, Chuck Sams, and Leslie Wu voted in favor. Alai Reyes-Santos was absent. Motion passed.
00:06:00	Item 2 – Program Manager Report Oregon Environmental Restoration Program Manager Nicole Maness provided updates to the Council.
00:43:20	Item 3 – Contact Counsel Introduction Diane Lloyd, Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice was introduced as the Council's Contact Counsel, provided background information, and answered Council member questions.
00:56:04	Item 4 – Public Comment This time was reserved for the Council to hear public comments and review any written public comment submitted for the meeting. All written public comments can be viewed on the website here . The following individuals provided verbal public comment: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Neil Schulman, North Clackamas Watersheds Council



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• James Fraser, Trout Unlimited• Michael Lang, Wild Salmon Center
	Break
01:20:10	Item 5 – Strategic Priorities Rachel Thompson, Oregon Environmental Restoration Program Coordinator, facilitated a discussion with Council on a conceptual model for defining and identifying Strategic Priorities for the OERF.
02:13:50	Next Steps, Reminders & Wrap Up Co-Chair Chuck Sams provided a preview of agenda items for the next Council meeting.
	The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 pm by Co-Chair Chuck Sams.