

**JOINT INTERIM TASK FORCE ON FUNDING FOR FISH, WILDLIFE,
AND RELATED OUTDOOR
RECREATION AND EDUCATION**

March 30, 2016
10:00 AM

Hearing Room 50

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Labhart, Chair
Sen. Chris Edwards
Sen. Doug Whitsett
Rep. Ken Helm
Rep. Wayne Krieger
Robert Ball
Paul Donheffner
Enriqueta Gonzalez
Michael Herbel
James Martin
Robert Morrison
James Nash
Bradley Pettinger
Claire Puchy
Kenji Sugahara
Bruce Taylor
Latricia Tillman
Karianne Westlund

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Nancy Bales
Meryl Redisch

STAFF PRESENT: Beth Patrino, Committee Administrator
Samantha Koopman, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Informational Meeting
Introductions and Housekeeping Items
Public Comment Opportunity
Blue Ribbon Panel on Sustaining America's Diverse Fish &
Wildlife Resources – Recommendations
Task Force Problem Statement
Proposed Use of Alternative Funding
Guiding Principles, Criteria, Funding Concepts and Task Force
Sub-groups
Public Comment Opportunity
Next Steps and Assignments

00:00:25 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:26 Chair Labhart

00:00:59 **Introductions and Housekeeping Items - Informational Meeting**
00:01:00 Chair Mark Labhart, Commissioner, Tillamook County
00:01:25 Mike Herbel, business owner, Neskowin, Oregon
00:01:45 Tricia Tillman, Public Health Director, Multnomah County Health
Department
00:02:13 Sen. Whitsett
00:02:30 Curt Melcher, Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:02:54 Bruce Taylor, Oregon Habitat Joint Venture
00:03:17 Mike Finley, Chair, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission
00:04:02 Queta Gonzalez, Director, Center for Diversity and the Environment
00:04:32 Rep. Helm
00:04:56 Claire Puchy, retired, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:05:29 Paul Donheffner, Oregon Hunter's Association
00:05:56 Robb Ball, retired lawyer
00:06:07 Bradley Pettinger, Oregon Trawl Commission
00:06:32 Kari Westlund, CEO, Travel Lane County
00:06:56 Rep. Krieger
00:07:07 Jim Martin, fish biologist
00:07:46 Scott Welch, Columbia Sportswear Company
00:08:10 Jim Owens, Facilitator
00:08:55 Beth Patrino, Committee Administrator
00:09:08 Roger Fuhrman, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:09:42 Brett Brownscombe, Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Governor's Office
00:10:09 Kenji Sugahara, Executive Director, Oregon Bicycle Racing Association;
member, Oregon Tourism Commission
00:10:48 James Nash, rancher, Enterprise, Oregon
00:12:04 Ed Bowles, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:12:10 Carl Finley, resident
00:12:15 Kevin Blakely, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:12:19 Jennifer Hughes, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:12:23 Ron Anglin, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:12:26 Shannon Hurn, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
00:12:35 Loren Goddard, Owner, Dockside Charter
00:12:45 Adam Meyer, Oregon Conservation Network
00:12:48 Briana Springer, Pac/West
00:12:55 Bob Olsen, Northwest Steelheaders; Friends of the Gorge
00:12:59 Joe Rohleder, Seafood Oregon
00:13:03 Tom Wolf, Executive Director, Oregon Council, Trout Unlimited
00:13:13 Patricia Allen, Director, Communications, Association of Fish & Wildlife
Agencies
00:13:19 Stephen Kafoury, Oregon Chapter, Wildlife Society
00:13:23 Bill Kluting, Carpenters Industrial Council
00:36:19 Dave Chanda, Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies

00:52:20 Amanda Rich, The Nature Conservancy
00:52:22 Meg Mitchell, US Forest Service

00:52:25 **Public Comment Opportunity - Informational Meeting**
00:52:26 Chair Labhart
00:52:32 Jim Owens, Facilitator
00:52:45 Bill Kluting, Carpenters Industrial Council
01:00:45 Loren Goddard, Owner, Dockside Charter

01:02:53 **Blue Ribbon Panel on Sustaining America's Diverse Fish & Wildlife Resources - Recommendations - Informational Meeting**
01:02:54 Chair Labhart
01:03:09 Dave Chanda, Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies
01:07:59 EXHIBITS 1-3: Patricia Allen, Communications Director, Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies
01:26:47 Sen. Edwards
01:27:02 Kenji Sugahara, Executive Director, Oregon Bicycle Racing Association; member, Oregon Tourism Commission
01:30:01 Jim Martin, fish biologist
01:34:54 Rep. Krieger
01:38:09 Robb Ball, retired lawyer
01:38:41 Jim Owens, Facilitator
01:42:47 Claire Puchy, retired, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
01:46:21 Tricia Tillman, Public Health Director, Multnomah County Health Department
01:50:46 Brett Brownscombe, Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Governor's Office
01:53:49 Scott Welch, Columbia Sportswear Company
01:54:12 Curt Melcher, Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
01:57:27 Paul Donheffner, Oregon Hunter's Association
02:00:24 Meeting Recessed
02:01:01 Meeting Reconvened

02:01:18 **Task Force Problem Statement - Informational Meeting**
02:01:19 EXHIBIT 4: Chair Labhart
02:02:07 Sen. Whitsett
02:03:54 Mike Finley, Chair, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission
02:10:05 Jim Martin, fish biologist
02:11:14 Jim Owens, Facilitator
02:12:42 Scott Welch, Columbia Sportswear Company
02:14:07 Robb Ball, retired lawyer
02:14:15 Kari Westlund, CEO, Travel Lane County
02:14:53 Claire Puchy, retired, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
02:15:16 Bruce Taylor, Oregon Habitat Joint Venture
02:15:32 Brett Brownscombe, Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Governor's Office

02:17:20 **Proposed Use of Alternative Funding - Informational Meeting**

02:17:21 Chair Labhart
02:17:24 Brett Brownscombe, Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Governor's Office
02:17:31 Jim Owens, Facilitator
02:19:11 EXHIBIT 5: Curt Melcher, Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
02:31:26 Mike Finley, Chair, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission
02:31:52 Sen. Whitsett
02:36:33 James Nash, rancher, Enterprise, Oregon
02:39:25 Scott Welch, Columbia Sportswear Company
02:41:57 Jim Martin, fish biologist
02:47:01 Kenji Sugahara, Executive Director, Oregon Bicycle Racing Association; member, Oregon Tourism Commission
02:52:39 Mike Herbel, business owner, Neskowin, Oregon
02:55:52 Claire Puchy, retired, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
02:58:01 **Guiding Principles, Criteria, Funding Concepts and Task Force Sub-groups - Informational Meeting**
02:58:02 Chair Labhart
02:58:16 EXHIBIT 6: Jim Owens, Facilitator
03:01:15 Jim Martin, fish biologist
03:02:28 Brett Brownscombe, Natural Resource Policy Advisor, Governor's Office
03:03:40 Meeting Recessed
03:03:41 The Task Force split into two groups to discuss the following topics: guiding principles, alternative funding evaluation criteria and topics for work groups. Minutes from the break out group discussions can be found in the March 30 meeting summary.
03:03:46 Meeting Reconvened
03:06:32 Kenji Sugahara, Executive Director, Oregon Bicycle Racing Association; member, Oregon Tourism Commission
03:07:58 Scott Welch, Columbia Sportswear Company
03:16:15 Kari Westlund, CEO, Travel Lane County
03:20:28 Sen. Edwards
03:26:11 Rob Morrison, Leupold & Stevens, Inc.
03:28:15 Mike Finley, Chair, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission
03:30:51 Curt Melcher, Director, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
03:33:11 Paul Donheffner, Oregon Hunter's Association
03:33:40 **Public Comment Opportunity - Informational Meeting**
03:33:41 Chair Labhart
03:33:43 The following is submitted without public testimony:
EXHIBIT 7: Clair Klock, retired farmer, Corbett, Oregon
03:33:45 **Next Steps and Assignments - Informational Meeting**
03:33:46 Chair Labhart
03:37:20 Rep. Helm
03:37:30 Jim Owens, Facilitator

03:37:31 Kari Westlund, CEO, Travel Lane County
03:41:01 Jim Martin, fish biologist
03:41:07 Kenji Sugahara, Executive Director, Oregon Bicycle Racing Association;
member, Oregon Tourism Commission
03:41:40 Bruce Taylor, Oregon Habitat Joint Venture
03:42:44 Meeting Adjourned