



COLT Board Meeting

December 8th, 2016

**Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission
700 NE Multnomah St., 5th Floor Commission Room**

Call-in Information:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/893610189>

(669) 224-3212, Access Code: 893-610-189#

8:30-9:00am: Coffee and networking

9:00: Meeting begins

9:00-9:15: Approve meeting agenda and September minutes – Kathleen Ackley
ACTION ITEM

9:15-9:45: Round robin member updates - Kathleen

9:45-10:45: Strategic Plan update, finance report, approval of 2017 Budget* and ED performance review – Kelley, Kathleen
ACTION ITEM

Kelley will provide a high-level update of COLT's Strategic Plan and walk the board through the draft 2017 budget. COLT's Executive Committee reviewed and approved the budget for board consideration. (*Approximately 30 min*)

EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH FULL BOARD

Staff will leave and the full board will discuss COLT's proposed 2017 budget and executive director performance review. (*Approximately 30 min*)

10:45: Peer Learning Topic: Building Relationships with Diverse Communities

Hear from land trusts that are making diversity, equity and inclusion part of their core work, why they are doing it, and how they incorporate this work on the ground. **Esther Lev** (The Wetlands Conservancy) will share her experience working in Harney County with a diverse group of people to create a common vision and new language for shared conservation strategies. **Tom Pinit** (The Conservation Fund) will share lessons learned from a yearlong initiative on equity, diversity and inclusion. Kathleen will facilitate a conversation among COLT members.

12:00pm: Lunch, with short presentation from staff of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

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1:00: COLT working lands gap analysis and SWCD partner update – Nellie McAdams

COLT worked with Nellie to survey the current landscape of land trusts and other eligible entities that conserve farm, forest and ranch lands. The analysis studied 1) the current capacity among eligible entities to hold working land easements 2) the demand from landowners, and 3) barriers to the purchase of conservation easements, including gaps in technical expertise, organizational capacity and funding. The Executive Summary is included in board packet. Nellie will also brief the board on OACD's Working Lands Preservation Committee. (30 mins)

1:30-2:45: Government Relations Discussion – Glenn Lamb (75 minutes)

1. Post election summary and discussion
2. Approval of COLT's 2017 Legislative Priorities *ACTION ITEM*
 - a. Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program (See memo from GR committee)
 - b. Restoring Recreation Immunity in Oregon (See issue brief)
 - c. Support OWEB's 2017-2019 Budget
 - d. Support Oregon State Parks acquisition funding
 - e. Monitor Oregon Farm Bureau wetlands liability bill
3. OWEB acquisition survey
 - a. Board will discuss a proposed approach to conducting the survey.
 - b. See summary document for background (Claire Fiegenger)
4. Federal Update
 - a. LWCF, PCSRF, Farm Bill, tax shelters from the Land Trust Alliance

2:45: Break (15min)

3:00: Land Trust Alliance update – Brad Paymar (30 minutes)

- Policy update with Bethany Erb, Western Advocacy & Outreach Manager
- ACE Summary of year 5 awards; Update on phase 2
- Sharing of a story from ACE
- Other updates

3:30: Communications Initiative update – Kelley (20 min)

3:50: 2017 board meeting schedule: SAVE THE DATES!

- **March 2**, Portland (Thursday)
- **June 1**, Willamette Valley TBD (Thursday)
- **September 14 and 15** COLT summer retreat, Corvallis
- **December 1**, Portland (Friday)

4:00: Adjourn

Happy Hour Reception – location TBD, 4:30-6:00pm approx.

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