

Clackamas Hydroelectric Project Settlement: Whitewater Recreation

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2.1 Clackamas River Recreation Work Group

PGE shall establish, appoint a representative to, and convene the CRRWG to coordinate implementation of the RRMP throughout the life of the new license and to facilitate consultation between PGE and those recreation stakeholders that are party to the Settlement Agreement. The entities other than PGE listed below shall each be entitled to appoint a representative to serve on the CRRWG. The CRRWG will meet once annually to coordinate implementation of the measures defined in this RRMP and to review long-term management objectives. This meeting will generally be held in the spring prior to the start of the recreation season each year. The CRRWG may also choose to meet at other times of the year, as needed, to address specific RRMP activities or unanticipated matters or circumstances.

A subset of this group, the Boaters Logistics User Body (BLUB), will coordinate implementation of measures associated with whitewater boating. BLUB issues will generally be addressed and discussed at the annual CRRWG meeting. However, in some years, specific measures requiring additional discussion may merit a separate annual meeting. Only signatories to the settlement agreement are eligible to participate in these groups. However, with regard to the BLUB only, new, non settlement party members may be added to the BLUB with the consent of the remaining original members of the BLUB. Participants may include the following:

Interest Group	Participants
Clackamas River Recreation Work Group (CRRWG)	USDA Forest Service - Mt. Hood National Forest
	Portland General Electric Company
	Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
	City of Estacada
	Bureau of Land Management

Interest Group	Participants
	Any member of the BLUB that is not already a member of CRRWG
	Oregon State Marine Board
	Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde
	Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon
	Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon
Boaters Logistics User Body (BLUB)	USDA Forest Service - Mt. Hood National Forest
	Portland General Electric Company
	Alder Creek Kayak Supply, Inc.
	All Star Rafting, Inc.
	American Whitewater
	Blue Sky Whitewater Rafting, Inc.
	Destination Wilderness, Inc.
	Playboatingnorthwest.com
	River Drifters Whitewater Tours, Inc.

Timely and effective communications and coordination between PGE and its recreation stakeholders will be crucial to the successful implementation of the RRMP and the achievement of resource goals. The CRRWG will review each year’s planned and completed actions under this RRMP. Where planned activities require additional subsequent coordination, provisions for such coordination will be made at the annual meeting. This review will include consideration of effects of planned actions on sensitive resources, particularly fish and aquatic resources. Accomplishments, issues and challenges of the concluding and upcoming years will be discussed. Measures proposed for implementation in the upcoming year will be presented by PGE as an action plan and distributed to the CRRWG at least two weeks prior to the annual meeting. Members of the CRRWG will have an opportunity to comment on this proposed plan at the annual meeting.

4.6 Clackamas River (Nodes 6 and 7)

PGE will implement the following measures for boating along this section of the Clackamas River:

- a. Improve warnings to boaters regarding the emergency release valve at Oak Grove Powerhouse. Signage will be developed in consultation with boaters and the USFS and installed.
- b. During the days of the Bob's Hole Rodeo kayaking event (up to three days), PGE will optimize generation timing slightly during the daylight hours when flows are available and able to benefit the event, for the life of the license. Real time river gaging will be improved at Bob's Hole by funding the station at Carter Bridge (RM 40.8) to provide the same flow and stage information as the other two USGS gages upriver. This will be completed within five years of license issuance.
- c. Gage 14209000 above Lake Harriet will be abandoned. PGE will fund installation and ongoing maintenance of a USGS gage at Ripplebrook campground.
- d. Gage 14209500 just below Oak Grove powerhouse is currently on a phone line, but can be converted to the satellite system that transmits data once an hour like Gage 14209000. PGE will fund this upgrade and this gage's annual maintenance.
- e. Provide annual contributions to local whitewater events held on the Clackamas River between Timothy Lake and River Mill Dam. This will include providing access to Promontory Park, other in-kind support as appropriate and direct financial support of \$4,000 annually. Such direct support shall be allocated by PGE based on requests submitted by BLUB.
- f. Provide three improved river access sites (each with shoreline access, staging and parking areas), three year-round toilets and one seasonal toilet at sites along the Clackamas River to benefit private as well as commercial boaters. These improvements will be implemented according to the schedule shown below. Possible sites include Indian Henry (Sandstone), Whitewater Bridge, Milepost

(MP) 35, MP 37, MP 41, and Bob's Hole. The precise sites prioritized for improvements and the nature of the improvements will be determined within one year of license issuance, and must be supported by PGE, interested settlement signatories, the USFS, and any other public entity having direct jurisdiction at the site. The implementation schedule will be as follows:

Years 1-5: Two access points, one permanent toilet, one seasonal toilet.

Years 6-15: One additional access point and two additional year-round toilets.

- g. If the improvements listed above are sited within the FERC Project boundary, PGE will maintain the site/facility. If the improvement is not sited within the Project boundary, BLUB will perform site/facility maintenance, with PGE's providing periodic in-kind support. Maintenance of sites located on National Forest System lands will be coordinated with USFS.

4.7 Clackamas River (Nodes 11 and 14)

PGE proposes the following for enhancing boating opportunities. PGE will allow boaters equal access to Project lands permitted to other recreationists, such as anglers.

Within five years of license issuance, PGE will contract with a specialist in playboating feature construction and other appropriate experts to determine the feasibility of a playboating feature at one of the two most highly-rated sites identified during the Faraday Diversion Whitewater Boating Study (Confluence Research and Consulting 2004). These two sites were the Faraday Diversion reach and the reach adjacent to McIver State Park, below River Mill Dam. If both of these sites are found to be infeasible, other sites may be considered.

If the specialist reaches a preliminary conclusion that either or both of the sites is likely to be feasible, the feasibility analysis will include conceptual design and preliminary engineering sufficient to allow presentation of the alternatives to the Fish Agencies for approval.

If such a feature is feasible (feasibility includes access, security and resource concerns), PGE will make the following contributions as scheduled below toward the costs of such a feature, if the feature's development and construction is coordinated by a subset of interested settlement parties (BLUB) provided however that prior to any such contribution, PGE shall consult with the Fish Committee and seek approval of the appropriate Fish Agencies. If Fish Agency approval cannot be obtained, the play boating feature will be deemed to be infeasible. This contribution may be in-kind or in cash, and may be used by the group to match grants or other funds to construct the feature. Fund use and feasibility will be determined by the BLUB and PGE.

- Year 6 or later: A one-time contribution of \$50,000, available anytime Year 6 or after, will be made.
- Beginning Year 7, for the life of the license: \$5,000 / year for maintenance of such feature.

If such a feature is not feasible or if matching funds sufficient for construction are not raised, PGE will provide the same funds, accumulated at the same rate, toward new whitewater boating-related opportunities or improvements on the Clackamas River. PGE shall create a tracking account for these funds. Funds not spent will remain in the account and be available for whitewater boating-related opportunities or improvements on the Clackamas River. Any siting of such opportunities or improvements must be coordinated with any agency having direct jurisdiction over the site.

In addition, PGE will work with the BLUB to convey information about major planned maintenance events that could affect river flows, provided that PGE shall not be obligated to provide unit outage information, and that PGE shall retain the right to revise the schedule, without notice and without updates.