

# HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LAND USE, AND WATER

January 12, 2022  
02:30 PM

Hearing Room Remote E

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Ken Helm, Chair  
Rep. Susan McLain, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Mark Owens, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Jami Cate  
Rep. Pam Marsh  
Rep. Jeff Reardon  
Rep. Anna Scharf  
Rep. David Brock Smith  
Rep. Marty Wilde  
Rep. Anna Williams  
Rep. Brad Witt

**STAFF PRESENT:** Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst  
Omar Santillan, Committee Assistant

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

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** Organizational Meeting  
Adoption of Committee Rules  
Introduction of Committee Measures – Work Session  
Informational Meeting  
Oregon Water Resources Department Implementation of  
2021-2023 Budget and Policy Priorities  
State-Supported Regional Water Planning and Management  
Workgroup – Implementation of HB 5006, Section 238  
A Look Back on 2021: Drought and Water Challenges on  
Tribal Lands  
Federal Funding Opportunities for Water and Other Natural  
Resources

*This meeting was held virtually with remote participation only*

00:00:24 Meeting Called to Order  
00:00:25 Chair Helm  
00:01:56 ROLL CALL

00:03:02 [Adoption of Committee Rules - Organizational Meeting](#)  
00:03:03 Chair Helm

- 00:03:25 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR MCLAIN MOVES ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RULES
- 00:03:49 VOTE: 11-0-0  
AYE: CATE, MARSH, REARDON, SCHARF, BROCK SMITH, WILDE, WILLIAMS, WITT, MCLAIN, OWENS, HELM
- 00:04:39 **Introduction of Committee Measures - Work Session**
- 00:04:40 Chair Helm
- 00:11:03 Vice-Chair Owens
- 00:11:44 Vice-Chair McLain
- 00:12:07 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR MCLAIN MOVES LC 164, LC 114, AND LC 207 BE INTRODUCED AS COMMITTEE MEASURES
- 00:13:15 Rep. Scharf
- 00:14:13 VOTE: 10-0-1  
AYE: CATE, MARSH, REARDON, SCHARF, BROCK SMITH, WILDE, WILLIAMS, MCLAIN, OWENS, HELM  
EXCUSED: WITT
- 00:15:28 **Oregon Water Resources Department Implementation of 2021-2023 Budget and Policy Priorities - Informational Meeting**
- 00:15:29 Chair Helm
- 00:15:48 Thomas Byler, Director, Oregon Water Resources Department
- 00:36:38 **State-Supported Regional Water Planning and Management Workgroup - Implementation of HB 5006, Section 238 - Informational Meeting**
- 00:36:39 Chair Helm
- 00:39:43 Vice-Chair Owens
- 00:40:50 Rep. Reardon
- 00:42:26 Thomas Byler, Director, Oregon Water Resources Department
- 00:45:46 Rep. Marsh
- 00:47:14 Robin Harkless, Senior Project Manager, Oregon Consensus
- 00:58:59 Vice-Chair McLain
- 01:05:54 **A Look Back on 2021: Drought and Water Challenges on Tribal Lands - Informational Meeting**
- 01:05:55 Chair Helm
- 01:07:53 Kelly Coates, Manager, Water and Environmental Resources Program, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- 01:14:22 Kat Brigham, Chair, Board of Trustees, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
- 01:19:52 Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst
- 01:20:01 Eric Quaempts, Director, Department of Natural Resources, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
- 01:29:07 Brenda Meade, Chair, Coquille Indian Tribe; Chair, Legislative Commission on Indian Services

**01:36:27** Donald C. Gentry, Chairman, The Klamath Tribes  
**01:46:39** Rep. Cate  
**01:55:16** Rep. Scharf  
**02:01:36** Rep. Brock Smith

**02:04:20** **Federal Funding Opportunities for Water and Other Natural Resources - Informational Meeting**

**02:04:21** Chair Helm  
**02:05:24** Scott Berry, Director of Policy and Government Affairs, US Water Alliance  
**02:13:35** Jon Unger, Program and Policy Coordinator, Business Oregon  
**02:27:33** Ari Neumann, Director, Community and Environmental Services, Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)  
**02:36:18** Laura Kentnesse, LPRO Analyst  
**02:36:31** Meeting Adjourned