

HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON WATER

November 17, 2021
11:00 AM

Hearing Room Remote C

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Ken Helm, Chair
Rep. Mark Owens, Vice-Chair
Rep. Jeff Reardon, Vice-Chair
Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson
Rep. Lisa Reynolds
Rep. Anna Scharf

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED: Rep. Marty Wilde

STAFF PRESENT: Beth Patrino, LPRO Analyst
Omar Santillan, Committee Assistant

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

MEASURES/ISSUES: Organizational Meeting
Adoption of Committee Rules
Informational Meeting
2021 Drought
Update on Local Community Water Systems Affected by
2020 Wildfires

This meeting was held virtually with remote participation only

00:00:30 Meeting Called to Order

00:00:31 Chair Helm

00:01:55 ROLL CALL

00:02:34 [Adoption of Committee Rules - Organizational Meeting](#)

00:02:35 Chair Helm

00:02:54 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR OWENS MOVES ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RULES

00:03:18 VOTE: 5-0-2

AYE: BREESE-IVERSON, SCHARF, OWENS, REARDON, HELM

EXCUSED: REYNOLDS, WILDE

00:04:45 Rep. Anna Scharf, House District 23

00:05:22 [2021 Drought - Informational Meeting](#)

00:05:23 Chair Helm

00:06:21 Larry O'Neill, Director, Oregon Climate Services; Associate Professor, Oregon State University; climatologist, State of Oregon

00:17:56 Ryan Andrews, hydrologist, Water Resources Department

00:26:33 Racquel Rancier, Deputy Director, Strategy and Administration, Water Resources Department

00:32:39 Andrew Phelps, Director, Office of Emergency Management

00:39:00 Morgan Gratz-Weiser, Deputy Policy Advisor, Natural Resources, Office of the Governor

00:45:16 Andre Ourso, Administrator, Center for Health Protection, Public Health Division,

00:50:57 Jonathan Saudau, Oregon Department of Agriculture

00:55:40 Chandra Ferrari, Water Program Manager, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

01:03:28 Beth Patrino, LPRO Analyst

01:03:39 Tricia M. Hill, Gold Dust & Walker Farms; farmer, Klamath Basin

01:08:38 Denver Pugh, President, Pugh Seed Farm Inc./Ampac Seed Co.; farmer

01:14:33 Kevin Richards, Fox Hollow Ranch

01:25:08 Jessica Dorsey, Manager, Water Resources Department, City of Hillsboro; Vice Chair, Oregon Water Utility Council

01:31:03 **Update on Local Community Water Systems Affected by 2020 Wildfires - Informational Meeting**

01:31:04 Chair Helm

01:32:11 Jason Green, Executive Director, Oregon Association of Water Utilities

01:49:01 Karl Morgenstern, Watershed Restoration Program Manager, Eugene Water and Electric Board

02:04:38 Maryann Hills, Community Services Liaison, Board of Commissioners, Marion County

02:05:12 Greg Benthin, Superintendent, Public Works, City of Gates

02:13:24 Carl Tappert, General Manager, Rogue Valley Sewer Services

02:24:23 Rep. Breese-Iverson

02:26:34 Tom Byler, Director, Oregon Water Resources Department

02:28:21 Rep. Scharf

02:29:17 Vice-Chair Reardon

02:31:15 Meeting Adjourned