



CALIFORNIA FISH PASSAGE FORUM

Governance Committee Meeting

Present: Holly Steindorf, Marisa Parish Hanson, Sandi Jacobson, Van Hare, Tim Loux, Anna Halligan, Gena Lasko

Absent: Andrew Hampton

[Meeting Attendance \(Google Sheets\)](#)

9/4/25 Agenda

- International Fish Passage Conference at UC Davis, May 4 – 8, 2026
- Prioritization meeting updates
- Tribal Engagement Outreach Letter
- Steering Committee meeting – Select time/date for virtual December, select date/location for in person Spring 2026 meeting.
- Leadership Transition updates

9/4/25 Meeting Minutes:

International Fish Passage Conference at UC Davis, May 4 – 8, 2026

Holly has asked Ross if he would be interested in partnering on a workshop for the Fish Passage Conference.

9/3/25 update: Ross is interested but needs to confirm availability, since the SRF conference ends right before the Davis conference, and he doesn't think he can do both. The Forum is interested in also recording an assessment of how-to video. We should budget in a day or half-day for filming an assessment being done outside the workshop and take footage of the workshop also.

Andrew Hampton also brought up the idea of purchasing an exhibitor's space at the conference. It costs \$1000. The E&O committee thinks we should present a poster instead of being an exhibitor. The Governance Committee agrees.

The Governance Committee supports the Forum covering conference registration fees for Forum members who are assisting with the Poster Session or Workshop.

Prioritization meeting updates

No updates, Andrew not at meeting.

Tribal Engagement and Outreach

Theo shared that the Forum should reach out to [Save California Salmon](#), an indigenous coalition that advocates for dam removal, and [Ridges to Riffles](#), another indigenous-led organization that has been focused on the Klamath basin. Theo and Sandi will draft an outreach letter together

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Action: Holly will help Sandi and Theo set up a time to draft the tribal outreach letter

Steering Committee meeting – Select time/date for virtual December, select date/location for in person Spring 2026 meeting.

December (Virtual)

9/5/25 update: The December virtual Steering Committee meeting will be held Thursday December 4th, 2025, from 11:00am-1:00pm (2 hours)

Action: Holly will send Calendar invite and zoom meeting. Done.

Spring (In-Person)

The committee has agreed on Klamath-area for our spring SC meeting. The coordinator recommends capitalizing on the meeting to outreach to local tribes and organizations and people involved with the post-dam removal restoration and monitoring, and make the meeting a “larger” event, budget and forum interest permitting. The governance committee and education and outreach committee are both interested in the idea.

Spring Symposium Planning

Possible Names: Restoration Inspiration Symposium; Revisioning the Klamath; If We Build it, They Will Come; Stream of Dreams. Will finalize a name next meeting.

Venue? SRF held an event in Yreka at a Yurok tribe youth center in Yreka, with a kitchen. For outdoor venues, TNC has a reserve near Etna.

Presenters/Invitees? There was an amazing session on the Klamath at SRF this year, presenters from that could likely recycle their presentations. If Wi-Fi allows we could have some virtual presenters. Initial draft invite list:

- Local Tribes
- Ridges to riffles
- MKWC and SRRC
- Bob Pangulico
- CalTrout staff working on monitoring (Real time monitoring insight from James Whelan)
- TNC doing restoration in upper basin in Oregon (contact: Renne Henry, TNC), Amy Campbell, Watershed Program manager acampbell@TNC.ORG
- TU nell.scott@tu.org, evan.bulla@tu.org

Field Tours? The Forum will try to get out on the river for a raft trip. Agreed that the trip will just be for Forum members, too complex to plan that for the symposium guests. Klamath River Renewal Corporation is stopping tours, but we may be able to arrange to get on the river through the CalTrout Shasta Office.

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Action: Holly will reach out to Dana Stoltzman about the Yurok venue to find availability (hopefully last week of May but we may have to be flexible) and draft an event description to send to GovCom for review.

Leadership Transition updates

Results are in, and Andrew is the elected Chair and Gena is the elected Vice Chair! Thank you both!

The new Chair and Vice Chair will assume their roles during the October 2 Governance Committee meeting. Sandi reminds the committee about the new CalTrout reps Claire Buchanan and Russel Marlow

Action: Holly to schedule orientations with Claire and Russell

Agenda Items for October Meeting 10/2/15

- International Fish Passage Conference Update
- Andrew CDFW Prioritization List Update.
- Budget Overview
- Spring Symposium Planning