

PALOUSE BASIN AQUIFER committee

DRAFT MINUTES

Thursday, June 20, 2024, 2:00 PM

UI, FACILITIES SERVICES CENTER, JACK'S CREEK Room 151

<https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/89485239499> Passcode PBAC

1) Introductions

X: In-person attendance

V: Video attendance

v	Pullman: Cara Haley City Engineer	v	Moscow: Tyler Palmer (Chair) Deputy Director, Public Works & Services
	Pullman: Sean Wells Public Works Director		Moscow: Michael Parker Water Utility Manager
x	Pullman: Nathan Weller City Council Member	v	Moscow: Gina Taruscio City Council Member
x	Whitman County: Mark Storey Public Works Director/County Engineer	x	Latah County: Paul Kimmell County Representative
v	Whitman County: Tom Handy County Commissioner	v	Latah County: Tom Lamar County Commissioner
x	WSU: Jeff Lannigan (Vice-Chair) Facilities Services	x	UI: Lana Cohen Research Associate
	WSU: Jason Sampson Asst Director, Environmental Services	x	UI: Rusty Vineyard Director of Facilities
v	WA, Dept of Ecology: Patrick Cabbage Unit Supervisor/Hydrogeologist	v	ID, Water Resources: Michelle Richman Regional Manager/Staff Engineer
v	WA, Dept of Ecology: Chris Beard Hydrogeologist		ID, Water Resources: Daniel Sturgis Hydrogeologist

Others in attendance: Mike Faupel, Steve Robischon, Josilyn Watson, Robin Nimmer, Eileen Maccoll, Cristin Reisenauer, Brad Phelps (Jacobs), Perrin Robinson (Jacobs), Colt Shelton (JUB), Maddy Lucas (Whitman County), Nicole Fletcher (Jacobs)

*Jeff Lannigan conducted the meeting because Tyler attended virtually

2) Approval of Minutes

- a. [May 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes](#) M Kimmel, S Vineyard, approved 2:05

3) Public Comment for Items not on Agenda - none

4) Unfinished Business

- a. Update on IWRB funding/RFQ in process – Tyler provided an update
i. Tyler/Mike attended the IWRB meeting May 23 in Sandpoint

- ii. Next steps on RFQ – investigating obtaining a water right, conveyance and treatment from Clearwater river for municipal use – Tyler will circulate the draft RFQ and create an ad hoc vendor selection committee
 - 5) New Business - none
 - 6) Presentations & Discussion
 - a. Josilyn updated on water conservation outreach
 - 7) Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Interagency Agreement and Bylaws – update on entity MOA agreements
 - i. Tyler provided an update on current status
 - ii. Mike reviewed significant changes
 - 1. MOA
 - a. Memorandum of Agreement – not “Interentity agreement”
 - b. Clarified voting and non-voting membership
 - c. Not separating administrative and research accounts
 - d. PBAC may not sign contracts or hold property
 - e. Includes new entity contribution amounts
 - 2. Bylaws – aligned with new MOA
 - b. Budget – Rusty and Mike met June 17
 - c. Communications – met June 18
 - i. Updates external messaging
 - ii. Planning SEG meeting September
 - d. Technical – met earlier this afternoon
 - i. Jeff Langman updated on his passive aquifer recharge research proposal
 - ii. Robin Nimmer updated on her re-evaluation of water supply alternatives
 - 1. It’s expected that this will be completed before the July PBAC meeting
- 8) Other Reports and Announcements – Research Colloquium will be conducted September or October
- 9) Next PBAC Meeting:
 - a. Thursday, July 18 at 2:00 PM
- 10) Adjourn 2:47