

PALOUSE BASIN AQUIFER committee

Minutes

Thursday, January 16, 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

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| v | Pullman: Cara Haley City Engineer | x | Moscow: Tyler Palmer (Chair) Deputy Director, Public Works & Services |
| v | Pullman: Sean Wells Public Works Director | x | Moscow: Kyle Steele Environmental Services Manager |
| | Pullman: Nathan Weller City Council Member | | Moscow: Hailey Lewis City Council Member |
| x | Whitman County: Mark Storey Public Works Director | | Latah County: Paul Kimmell County Representative |
| | Whitman County: Tom Handy County Commissioner | v | Latah County: Tom Lamar County Commissioner |
| x | WSU: Jeff Lannigan (Vice-Chair) Facilities Services | v | 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 | | ID, Water Resources: Michelle Richman Regional Manager/Staff Engineer |
| v | WA, Dept of Ecology: Chris Beard Hydrogeologist | v | ID, Water Resources: Daniel Sturgis Hydrogeologist |

Others in attendance: Eileen MacColl, Erin Geslani, Ken Clark, Mike Faupel, Miki Waters (Alta), Nicole Marten (Jacobs), Colt Shelton (JUB), Meg Wolf (IWRRI), Brad Phelps (Jacobs), Jake Garringer (ID Governor's office)

New PBAC members Hailey Lewis and Kyle Steele, both from City of Moscow, were recognized

2) Approval of Minutes

- a. [November 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes](#) Motion Vineyard, Second Lannigan, passed
2:06

3) Public Comment for Items not on Agenda- none

4) Unfinished Business - none

5) New Business - none

- 6) Presentations & Discussion - none
- 7) Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Clearwater River RFQ – The evaluation subcommittee met January 9. Two proposals were received and presentations will be scheduled for both. Following these it is expected that a recommendation will be made for a vendor.
 - b. Budget – Rusty provided an explanation of the monthly financial summary that is distributed to voting PBAC members.
 - c. Communications - will meet January 21
 - i. Stakeholder Engagement Group and Research Colloquium are being planned for Spring 2025
 - d. Technical – cancelled this month
- 8) Other Reports and Announcements
 - a. PBAC's new Water Conservation Coordinator/AmeriCorps Member Erin Geslani was introduced.
 - b. Tom Lamar has been re-appointed a PBAC representative from Latah County. There are two new county Commissioners and it is likely that PBAC will provide an introduction/update to the Commission.
 - c. Whitman County is choosing a new County Commissioner soon. It is likely that PBAC will provide an update to the Commission sometime this spring.
 - d. The City of Moscow utility rate study is close to completion, it's possible this can be used to enhance water conservation.
- 9) Next PBAC Meeting:
 - a. Thursday, February 20 at 2:00 PM
- 10) Adjourn motioned by Vineyard, adjourned at 2:28 pm.