

Western Interstate Region Board of Directors

Wednesday, May 24 | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Sunriver Resort, Deschutes County, Ore.

Room: Heritage Room, Great Hall Conference Center

Western Interstate Region Board of Directors Executive Committee

President: The. Hon. Joel Bousman, Commissioner, Sublette County, Wyo. **First Vice President:** The Hon. Tommie Cline Martin, Supervisor, Gila County, Ariz. **Second Vice President:** The Hon. Kevin Cann, Supervisor, Mariposa County, Calif.

Immediate Past President: The Hon. Gordon Cruickshank, Commission Chair, Valley County, Idaho

Meeting Agenda

9:00 a.m. – 9:10 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome and Introductions

• The. Hon. Joel Bousman, Commissioner, Sublette County, Wyo.

9:10 a.m. – 9:20 a.m. Welcome from our 2017 Host County, Deschutes County Oregon

- The Hon. Tammy Baney, Chair of the Board of Commissioners, Deschutes County, OR
- The Hon. Anthony Debone, Vice Chair, Deschutes County, OR
- The Hon. Phil Henderson, Commissioner at Large, Deschutes County, OR

9:20 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Introduction of New NACo WIR Staff Liaison – Jonathan Shuffield

• **Jonathan Shuffield,** NACo Associate Legislative Director for Public Lands, Liaison to the Western Interstate Region

9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. <u>Update from the Western Governors' Association</u>

The Western Governors' Association is a great partner of NACo and WIR. In fact, WIR is a sponsor of WGA. Jim Ogsbury, Executive Director of WGA, will provide an update on WGA priorities, recent activities and continued areas of partnership—including an update on some of our collaborative work with the 115th Congress and the new administration to clarify the principles of federalism and strengthen to the federal-state-local partnership.

Jim Ogsbury, Executive Director, Western Governors' Association

1. Financial update on WIR and the Public Lands Trust

• Alicia Dorsey, CPA, NACo Finance Director and Interim CFO

2. Discussions of WIR bylaws revision

The Hon, Gordon Cruickshank

3. Other items for discussion

10:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Freight Rail Policy Issues

Andrew Johnsen from BNSF Railway will provide a brief update on freight rail policy issues in the West (including safety, technology, investment, economic development), and answer any follow-up questions resulting from the mobile workshop / train ride on the previous day.

Andrew Johnsen, Assistant Vice President, BNSF Railway Company

10:50 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. National Committees Update from Robert Cope

Retired Commissioner Robert Cope serves on several national committees representing NACo, WIR and counties nationally. These committees include the Forest Service's FACA committee regarding their new planning rule, EPA's Local Government Advisory Committee, the National and Western Strategy Committees for the Cohesive Wildfire Strategy, and the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Committee. Mr. Cope will provide an update on his activities.

Dr. Robert Cope, retired Commissioner and past WIR president and board member

11:10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. <u>Update From our Representatives on the Wildland Fire Leadership Council</u>

The WIR Public Lands Trust contributes annually to the Wildland Fire Leadership Council (WFLC) so that county governments are represented. Lake County Oregon Commissioner Dan Shoun serves as the WIR representative. Commissioner Shoun and WFLC Executive Manager Mike Zupko will provide an update on the WFLC's recent activities and opportunities for future engagement on issues surrounding wildland fire and public lands management, including ways to build relationships across federal, state, tribal and local partners on land management, wildfire and community resiliency.

- Mike Zupko, Executive Manager, Wildland Fire Leadership Council
- Hon. Dan Shoun, Commissioner, Lake County, OR and WIR WFLC representative

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. WIR Board Roundtable Discussion

An opportunity to discuss and share updates from the WIR states

• The. Hon. Joel Bousman, Commissioner, Sublette County, Wyo.

Meeting Concludes – 12:00 p.m.