

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

() Discussion only
(X) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): Douglas R. Olsen
County Counsel

SUBJECT: Appointments to Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council

<p>Background: The terms for three members on the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council have expired. Catherine Clifton, Burch Coe and Kevin Scribner are recommended to fill the positions.</p>	<p>Requested Action: Adopt Order No. BCC2019-004</p>
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ATTACHMENTS: Letter; Proposed Order

Date: (January 17, 2019) Submitted By: Douglas R. Olsen

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Checkoffs:

- () Dept. Head (copy)
- () Budget (copy)
- () Fiscal
- (X) Legal (copy)
- () (Other - List:)

To be notified of Meeting:

Needed at Meeting:

Scheduled for meeting on: January 23, 2019

Action taken:

Follow-up:



December 18, 2018

Umatilla County Board of Commissioners
216 SE Fourth
Pendleton, OR 97801

Regarding: Recommendation for membership to the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council

Dear Umatilla County Board of Commissioners,

The Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council recommends Arnold "Butch" Coe, Kevin Scribner, and Catherine Clifton be appointed as members of the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council to replace the seats vacated by Sean Roloff, Joelle Pomraning and Robert Waldher.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Watershed Council efforts to improve the ecology of the Walla Walla River while maintaining the valley's economy. This year we are continuing to implement on-the-ground projects, conduct hydrologic and water quality studies, and assist with a variety of planning efforts. Many of the on-the-ground improvements we are implementing are helping irrigators to use river water more efficiently and leaving more water in the river for bull trout and steelhead listed under the federal Endangered Species Act. We are also working on ensuring fish passage past irrigation diversions so that the local community is not impacted by enforcement actions. We are also continuing work on restoring groundwater levels with our Shallow Aquifer Recharge Program. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding our projects or regarding this request for member approval.

Sincerely,

Brian Wolcott
Executive Director
Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF UMATILLA COUNTY

STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Appointment)
of Catherine Clifton, Arnold) Order No. BCC2019-004
"Butch" Coe, John "Jack" Ferrise)
and Kevin Scribner to Walla)
Walla Basin Watershed Council)

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners, pursuant to ORS 541.388, on May 18, 1994 first appointed residents to the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council, a local volunteer watershed council for the Walla Walla Basin;

WHEREAS the terms for Joelle Pomraning, Sean Roloff and Robert T. Waldher have expired;

WHEREAS Catherine Clifton, Arnold "Butch" Coe, John "Jack" Ferrise and Kevin Scribner are nominated to fill the positions and they are eligible and willing to serve.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners orders that Catherine Clifton, Arnold "Butch" Coe, John "Jack" Ferrise, and Kevin Scribner are each appointed to the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council for a term commencing January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2021.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2019.

UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

William J. Elfering, Chair

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John M. Shafer, Commissioner

ATTEST:
OFFICE OF COUNTY RECORDS

Records Officer