

**OISC meeting minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 19, 2019**  
**Time: 1:00 PM**

**On the phone:**

Kristopher Crowley- Wallowa Resources  
Christine Moffitt  
Karen Ripley- USFS  
Dave Pranger, Morrow County Weed Control  
Brendan White- USFWS  
Nicole Brooks- CBP  
David Wooster OSU  
Rian Hooff, ODEQ  
Cat de Rivera, PSU

**Present in Salem:**

Sam Chan- OSU  
Wyatt Williams- ODF  
Glenn Dolphin- Marine Board  
Rick Boatner- ODFW  
Jake Bodart- ODA-IPPM  
Tim Butler- ODA-Noxious Weed  
Helmuth Rogg- ODA, Chair  
Annie Blietz- ODA Office Manager & OISC Special Coordinator

**First topic:**

**Helmuth-** OISC is bankrupt, no other way around, hoping this afternoon is productive.

**2019 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, 1:08pm start.**

**Wyatt is texting Jalene to confirm PDX attendance.**

**Edit of last year's OISC meeting minutes:**

Boats in Ontario for zebra mussels. Ashland 5 intercepted, Ontario 6 intercepted. 11 totals.  
Wyatt motions to approve with corrections  
Rick seconds this  
Motion passes.

**Chair update, budget report:**

**No funding:**

Out of money, borrow from ODA programs for funding until end of current biennium. Samara is out until the end of biennium. Contract needs to be discussed. Bare minimum activities until further notice.

**Planning next meeting, dates, time, location:**

Karen Ripley: potential locations (fall meeting) has suggestions with Dave Pranger. Email with her.

Doodle poll, vote. Email,

**Budget report-** funding will come. One way or the other. GNRB- \$100,000 for new biennium in addition to our base budget of \$50,000.

Senator Roblan is requesting money too through SB 445.

We have to watch what DAS & LFO will do & who carries what & where in current long session.

Coordinator priorities- manually.

(Cat is the VP.)

Glenn asked for an update on Helmuth's meeting tomorrow. Helmuth is meeting with the Governor's office and Coordinator, Amira, for ODA and OISC.

Do we have final 2018 OISC accomplishment report ready? Not on the website yet.

Then the SB 445 comparison document, did they get that completed for the legislative session?

**Dave Pranger:-** discussed the draft & updating it.

**Glenn Dolphin:-** still concerned it got to him.

**Wyatt Williams:-** good paperwork to have for tomorrow's meeting, including 2 year/5/10 year plans. Print out.

**Sam Chan:-** looking at the plant program annual report. Loves the idea of having all agencies together in one.

Group discussion of all agencies together, a book together? OISC agencies?

**Agencies reports:**

**Helmuth-ODA:** ODA submitted FY2019 Farm Bill suggestions for pathway analysis of scarab beetles \$46,000 for cargo planes, PDX, work with WA & CA

SOD proposals, mostly out of OSU, done w Sarah Navarro,

2 outreach proposals funded- “don’t pack a pest” campaign \$150,000 for education & “don’t move a pest”. \$75,000

**Wyatt-ODF:** lots of SOD news citizen science, ed/outreach- bill in leg to help fund SOD eradication. Despite EDRR, still growing, need more funding. Pram EU1 can be contained, but no longer eradicated. Acorns being grown for resistance monitoring.

Will be collecting ash seed in a 2 yr project. For emerald ash borer. Forest service, actual program

Where will seeds be collected and stored? (Cat Rivera)

In Dorena & Fort Collins, CO.

3 yr wood borer study- 4 new exotic. 1 seems to be ODA will delimit, but forest service will pay for delimit. Oaks in danger, outside of Troutdale.

Idf forest health, gorse flyover survey & map it, while in bloom.

**Glenn- Marine Board-** bill for draining boat requirements, as well as, law enforcement support of returning boaters to follow draining rules. No committee meeting date yet.

Couple weeks got a grant for increased police presence at boat stations.

Annual reports are done.

(see Michelle Delepine online)

**Rick ODFW-** boats intercepted- 4 last year. Same funding for this year, 6 stations at full staff.

**Question- Brendan asked where was the boat from?**

**Rick-** Great Lakes area, trying to share info. & it was heading to the Puget Sound. Dead quagga mussels found.

Funding outreach/education/swag/movie theater/billboards

**Sam Chan-OSU-** ed/outreach main goal collaboration with PSU & PDX college of art, & PDX to do the “don’t pack a pest” campaign. Looking to make the campaign very connected & interactive. Hoping to include Travel Oregon.

**Helmuth-** discussion in place with legislature. Since OWEB involved too, global climate change discussion in process. Costs/housebill try to get % of gas tax to help pay invasives work.

**Sam- back to update.** 3-4 years since the last “worst list” hoping to tickle this topic, as the Oregonian & other news sources like those. With Samara on furlough right now, we need a quick list to use for outreach/education. Would be a good thing & a report card. Which hasn’t been done in a while.

**Helmuth-** we need a report to legislature too. Good time to work on it & the report card.

**Sam-** ODA contacted people about a jumping worm. Now it is being marketed as an excellent fishing bait, would like to work with OISC Council to work on education, as it can be in compost & such. Originally was found only in 2 cities. Now ODA was able to find even outside ODA office. So then, they figured out that Marion County works has worms.

**Rick asked-** can the worms be added to the list?

**Helmuth-** no real authority over the earthworms?

Who has authority over earthworms??

The problem with these is their involvement in the soil/forest floor layer, causing erosion issues.

**Cat-** would like to know what is best on the Advisory Council?

**Glenn-** leg session- for Ryan- Glenn updating from conference call- fact sheet, Sen Roblan's office, then distribution of it. Add a seat, not just ex- officio, state parks added, report 2 yrs, policy option plans,

**Helmuth-** \$200,000 approximately, for coordination & grants, \$250,000 replenish emergency funds

Discussion about others reaching out, not state agency reps.

Updates from members on the phone:

**Brendan White- USFWS-** request in for \$12,000 for a meeting & approvals. They are hoping to support a meeting. & will keep us updated. Aiming for 2 yrs in a row.

**Karen- US Forest Service-** once budget is settled, they have a lot of support for SOD. Also working on GM projects in OR & WA. Got new funding from "emerging pests."

Shawna Batista proposed project to inventory trees, tree of heaven, for the spotted lantern fly. Concept still evolving, but not doing it yet.

**Meg- APHIS-PPQ:** watching for reports & info on the website to point people too. Looking for spotted lantern fly team, supply contacts. If it gets here, ready to roll. Happy to be back.

**Kris Crowley- formerly with tribe, now with Wallowa Resources:** he is in Enterprise in a new position, but more than willing to help with Burns if necessary.

**Cat-** no updates as Advisory Committee meeting was cancelled. Would email be appropriate to use currently?

**Helmuth-** need to work on this, something him & Jalene had discussed, but thinks we need to start a topic email on this to work together.

**Karen-** discussions have been going on about pests & unique things facing Eastern Oregon. Discussed meeting in the fall potentially, hoped to continue on with more info as a location, and topic, etc. Will work with Annie on meeting places & topics.

**Wyatt- additional info to his update:** over 100 pages of SOD economic risk analysis. Can provide to those who want it.

**Helmuth- ODA update-** Weeds- approved 64 grants at the state weed board, from OWEB. OWEB budget in the works, then vote, then hope we get more from them, as our “pass through.” Arundo donax came up, very hot topic. Control order currently in place, but now we have growers requesting to grow, so now the Weed Board needs to discuss it as to its place in our weeds list or in growing it. Koi fish issue, when removing flowering rush, lawsuit possible with the landowner.

Nursery & hemp- apple snail found in nursery aquatic inspection. Did some delimitation of the pond too. Rick’s team working on that- send him the email.

IPPM- (Jake update) EDRR agreements waiting, grant too. Funding for JB & GM eradication.

(side discussion about Corvallis GM community- Sam willing to help)

JB much larger this year. This year will determine whether treatment will proceed or not. Hiring a few positions for eradication.

**Helmuth states-** 4 million on JB in PDX alone to date. Prevention! Prevention! Prevention!!

PPQ considering LBAM deregulation? Not good for Korea/Vietnam exports of blueberries. Oregon could quarantine CA.

**Wyatt-** GM questions, last meeting w Chris Hedstrom. ODF is here to support. Philomath office is available as well. Public open houses, in March? Schedules getting tight. Public affairs specialist would love to work a joint press release. Will work together.

**Sam-** inquiries about nutria through extension from trappers. Asking how they may be able to assist in eradication. Sam will connect them with Rick & ODFW.

**Rick-** how to cook nutria- tomorrow. On ODFW Facebook/web page.

**Rian-** House Bill 24.93

Senate Bill 445- 1 pager sheet, where is it? Thinks it is with Rosie in Sen Roblan’s office.

(Helmuth will email & confirm it was received.)

No news yet.

Agency option packages, did not see OISC on the list? Was this LF? Or GF? He does not see it on the list? Felt there were errors & such, asking Helmuth to please review. Not seeing OISC as a POP. Wondering the \$100,000 may be on LF?

**Meg- Jan 4<sup>th</sup>** email from Jalene.

**Michelle-** any luck for funding of an aquatic weeds specialist?

**Helmuth** replied- the Joint Ways & Means Committee meeting, asked as to why the POP was left out. The LFO was surprised by results. Gov office & DAS has something out there..... Wait & see.

### **Helmuth- 2019 meeting schedule**

May meeting (doodle poll dates)

Fall meeting (Aug/Sept)

Have new members on the agenda.

Winter meeting (Nov/Dec)

Try to include Sen Roblan in process if his bill passes, (June ish)

Summit in 2020.

**Helmuth-** hemp is huge, stuff to be aware of. Much more coming, then a crash.

**Annie-** shared hemp is primarily for oil production, but fiber is coming, both south & west full currently, but many registering for the east side too.

### **Ending the public meeting- 3:27pm- today.**

#### **Cat & Ryan stay on the line:**

**Next item- coordinator contract discussion. Need to vote a determine a role & how to continue the contract.**

**Rick-** renew them,

**Sam-** open bid?

**Helmuth-** time would be a problem if we open it

**Rian-** how much still on current contract?

**Helmuth-** \$20-\$30,000 maybe? We have spent on professional services \$92,000. With \$60,000 remaining.

**Annie-** offered services in event scheduling only under instructions

**Wyatt-** hopes to keep it autonomous in agency

**Rick/Helmuth-** agree we can edit the work expected

**Glenn-** agrees could be a good way to have them admin.& stretch funds more

**Helmuth-** agrees Annie's wage is lower for the basics

**Rian-** suggests extend contract, so Samara can hit the ground running. Then in the summer review new contract or whatever may come, but riding forward, would allow Samara to continue, so nothing halts in the middle. Timing may flow well this way.

All agree.

**Helmuth** will look to extend OISC contract.

**Helmuth-** will send out the SOP & review it for removing a few tasks that can be handled inter agencies & with the OISC special coordinator, Annie.

**Meeting adjourned: 3:45pm.**