

Utility Wildland Fire Prevention Advisory Committee – Roster

Updated 4/10/2023

Name	Term Began	Term Expires	Position
<p style="text-align: center;">Loren Torgerson – Chair</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9/19/2022</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasure of the Commissioner</p>	<p>Designee - Commissioner of Public Lands</p>
<p>Dave James – Avista Utilities Spokane, Washington</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8/15/2022</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasure of the Commissioner</p>	<p>Individual representing an investor-owned utility</p>
<p>Allen Bereth – Pacific Corp., T&D Operations Vice President Portland, Oregon</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8/22/2022</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasure of the Commissioner</p>	<p>Individual representing an investor-owned utility</p>
<p>Brett Conrad – Puget Sound Energy, Manager Vegetation Management Bellevue, Washington</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8/22/2022</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasure of the Commissioner</p>	<p>Individual representing an investor-owned utility</p>
<p>David Bayard – Seattle City Light Seattle, WA *Alternate: Cody Watson</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8/22/2022</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasure of the Commissioner</p>	<p>Individual representing a municipal utility</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">VACANT</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasure of the Commissioner</p>	<p>Individual representing a municipal utility</p>

Colin Willenbrock – Pub. Utility District No. 1, Snohomish County Everett, WA	8/22/2022	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Individual representing a public utility district
Jim Smith – Pub. Utility District No. 1, Klickitat County Goldendale, WA	8/22/2022	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Individual representing a public utility district
Garry Rosman – Inland Power and Light Davenport, WA	8/22/2022	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Individual representing a rural electric cooperative
Einar Offerdahl – Benton REA Prosser, WA	8/22/2022	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Individual representing a rural electric cooperative
Jason Callahan – Green Diamond Shelton, WA	8/22/2022	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Individual representing industrial forest landowners
VACANT		Pleasure of the Commissioner	Individual representing small forestland owners
Gary Margheim – Chief Wildland Fire Investigator, WADNR Olympia, WA	8/22/2022	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Person with expertise in wildland fire risk reduction and prevention

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Board Composition

Per RCW 76.04.780 -

(4) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee must chair the advisory committee created in subsection (1) of this section and must appoint advisory committee members. Advisory committee membership should include:

- (a) Entities providing retail electric service, including:
 - (i) One person representing each investor-owned utility;
 - (ii) Two persons representing municipal utilities;
 - (iii) Two persons representing public utility districts;
 - (iv) Two persons representing rural electric cooperatives;
 - (v) One person representing small forestland owners;
 - (vi) One person representing industrial forestland owners;
- (b) Other persons with expertise in wildland fire risk reduction and prevention; and
- (c) No more than two other persons designated by the commissioner.

(5) In addition to the advisory committee membership established in subsection (4) of this section, the commissioner shall designate two additional advisory committee members representing historically marginalized or underrepresented communities.

Note: Changes to board composition are likely as amendments to existing law are pending in the Washington State legislature. Please standby for changes.