



ENRAC Agenda

January 8, 2025 4:00 – 5:30pm

Attendees

Members: Michael Hughes, Jason Schindler, & Sydney Tamplin

Excused: Damilola Olajubutu & Jackson Rheuben

Staff/Guests: Sean McGuire, Benton County Staff

Welcome – Jason Schindler

4:00

- Open Meeting
- Icebreaker Question – Sydney Tamplin: What is your favorite pasta shape? Jason has February.
- Approved December Minutes

Group Updates – Jason Schindler

- Reviewed upcoming events in the area

Update on Coffin Butte Conditional Use Permit Application – Sean McGuire

Sean provided a brief status update on the Conditional Use Permit application submitted to the County by Republic Services. The application is still currently identified as incomplete. Once it is deemed complete, staff will let ENRAC know.

Membership & Recruiting – Jason Schindler & Sean McGuire

Sean updated members on current Membership & future recruitment efforts, including an email to the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition's listserve. Members agreed to take that wording and disperse to other outlets.

Sustainable Materials Management Plan (SMMP) – Sean McGuire & Sydney Tamplin

Sean will provide an overview of the SMMP Task Force. The Task Force met just before the holiday, as well as back in October. The Task Force is developing structure and processes moving forward. The intent is to have four subcommittees that are being identified. The next meeting is on January 29. Sydney shared some of her research work. Primarily, she surveyed & compiled solid waste and materials management activities in all counties in northwest Oregon, along with Portland, Metro, and DEQ.

Action Plan Development for 2025 – Jason Schindler

Jason led a discussion to explore potential topics, issues, and action items for ENRAC's 2025 Action Plan. The conversation began with current activities, such as the SMMP & Shift Together to Rural Areas. The conversation then turned to potential topics:

- Members have interest in the update of the County's Comprehensive Plan, but need further information. Sean will work with Community Development to capture information, and there could potentially be an invite for County staff to provide an overview to ENRAC.
- Climate Adaptation: Sydney stated her interest. Sean shared the County is pursuing grants for Resilience Centers in rural areas. Other options include retrofitting existing centers (libraries, etc.), and bring attention to rural areas of climate adaptation. **Action: Sean to send out adaptation materials & GHG impacts. Members: Review & provide feedback.**
- Emulate our efforts with Seeds for Sol in rural areas, and bring County resources to support existing activities. Currently, this is perhaps more than original efforts due to ENRAC's recent loss of members.
 - Explore expansion of Carbon Fund
 - Solar/Zoning issues; explore opportunities. **Action: Michael to research & provide to ENRAC members. Action: Sydney to explore agrovoltatics. Action: Sean to ask Community Development.**

Benton County Updates – Sean McGuire

Sean provided very brief updates on Benton County activities.

Future Meetings, Wrap-Up, & Next Steps

- *Reviewed Action Items*

Adjourned

5:30