

State of Oregon
Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

Date: March 4, 2014
To: Environmental Quality Commission
From: Dick Pedersen, Director
Subject: Agenda item G, Informational item: Commission work session
March 19-20, 2014, EQC meeting

Purpose of item EQC will hold a four-hour work session at its March 2014 meeting. The work session is a time for the commissioners to discuss major issues of concern for the commission, areas of personal or professional interest, share their personal goals as commissioners and discuss best ways to be supportive of DEQ's goals as an agency and participating, at the policy level, in DEQ's work toward those goals. This item is intended for commissioner dialogue and self-facilitated discussion on the questions and topics below.

- Discussion questions**
1. What are some of your areas of interest and motivation to serve as a commissioner?
 - a. What are your personal goals in serving on EQC?
 - b. What topics are you most interested in learning about? Least?
 2. What types of DEQ-provided staffing support would be most useful or helpful to you as a commissioner?
 - a. How can DEQ best support your work as a commissioner, both at and outside of meetings?
 3. How can the commission be even better at its work?
 - a. Are the commission meetings meeting your needs and expectations for format, frequency, topics discussed and other functional or programming details?
 - b. What topics do you see as major emerging environmental issues for Oregon? How would you like to be involved with these issues (proactive or as-informed by DEQ)?
 4. How can EQC best interact with the public, stakeholder and other boards or commissions?
 5. How frequently should the commission hold these kinds of planning sessions?
 6. Are there any specific topics of discussions the commission wants brought by DEQ staff, or others, in 2014 and 2015?

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