



**PACIFIC CONNECTOR GAS PIPELINE FOREST PLAN AMENDMENTS
OBJECTION RESOLUTION MEETING AGENDA
FOREST PLAN AMENDMENT OBJECTIONS FILED UNDER 36 CFR 218**

**Wednesday, March 4, 2020
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm (Pacific Time)**

1:00 pm Introduction of Objection Reviewing Officer, Responsible Official and Facilitator – Debbie Anderson, Regional Administrative Review Coordinator

1:15 pm Overview of Forest Service Decision Space/Authorities – David Krantz

1:30 pm Meeting Rules

- **The meeting will be facilitated and is being recorded/transcribed. We will adhere as closely as possible to the times listed. While the meeting is open to the public, only those objectors who have pre-registered for the teleconference will be eligible to participate in the resolution discussions with the Objection Reviewing Officer and Responsible Official. Please note that we have your written objection and would like to focus on the resolutions you have proposed. Fifteen (15) minutes prior to your scheduled time to speak, please dial #2 to alert the operator that it is nearing your turn.**

1:45 pm Objector Resolution Discussion Begins (approximately 15 minutes per objector)

1:45 pm Andy Stahl, Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics – Suggested resolution is to develop an alternative that avoids National Forest System Lands, not just an alternative that avoids federal lands and to comply with the National Forest Management Act.

2:00 pm Susan Jane Brown – Western Environmental Law Center, Doug Heiken - Oregon Wild and Francis Eatherington - Oregon Women's Land Trust – Suggested resolutions include:

- **deny the request by the proponent;**
- **develop a proposed action that is consistent with the existing land use management plans (including consistency with the Aquatic Conservation Strategy (ACS)), citing the 2012 Planning Rule (81 Federal Register 90,725-90,726), which the objectors state prohibits agency actions that seek to exempt a project from forest plan requirements;**
- **prepare forest plan amendments that comply with the 2012 planning rule;**
- **or prepare a new/supplemental EIS that meets the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and more fully considers the potential for cumulative impacts to affected resources.**

2:45 pm George Sexton/Brodia Minter – Klamath Siskiyou Wildlands Center - Suggested resolutions include:

- **deny the request by the proponent;**
- **develop a proposed action that is consistent with the existing land use management plans (including consistency with the Aquatic Conservation Strategy (ACS)), citing the 2012 Planning Rule (81 Federal Register 90,725-90,726), which the objectors state prohibits agency actions that seek to exempt a project from forest plan requirements;**
- **prepare forest plan amendments that comply with the 2012 planning rule;**
- **or prepare a new/supplemental EIS that meets the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and more fully considers the potential for cumulative impacts to affected resources.**



3:00 pm Jessie Ratcliffe – Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife – Suggested resolutions include:

- develop a crosswalk between the federal land compensatory mitigation plan with the standards in the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (ODFW) mitigation policy;
- fully develop mitigation that is in-kind and in-proximity to minimize impacts to coastal marten, fish and big game winter range;
- improve interagency coordination to design ways to avoid, minimize and mitigate the impacts of erosion and sediment transport into stream networks.
- in order to properly assess whether the sediment abatement projects meet the rigor of fully mitigating for impacts, ODFW recommends complete information on the proposed project actions including at a minimum:
 - GPS location and detailed current condition of habitat function(s) or lack thereof;
 - Previous land management actions within the HUC 6 of the proposed project that are relevant to the proposed uplift;
 - Fish passage status of upstream/downstream reaches from the project area; and
 - Future land management strategies proposed at the hydrologic unit code (HUC) 6 level watersheds that may affect performance of the project in the future.

3:15 pm Denise Tschann – Suggested resolutions include:

- prepare a project that meets the standards and guidelines of the existing land use management plan; or
- deny the project

3:30 pm Melanie Plaut – Suggested resolutions include:

- prepare a project that meets the standards and guidelines of the existing land use management plan; or
- deny the project or withdraw the project

3:45 pm Eileen Fromer – Suggested resolutions include:

- prepare a project that meets the standards and guidelines of the existing land use management plan; or
- deny the project or withdraw the project

4:00 pm Rianna Koppel – Suggested resolutions include:

- prepare a project that meets the standards and guidelines of the existing land use management plan; or
- deny the project or withdraw the project

4:15 pm Katherine Bragg – Suggested resolutions include:

- prepare a project that meets the standards and guidelines of the existing land use management plan; or
- deny the project or withdraw the project

4:30 pm Deb McGee (requested less than 5 minutes) – Suggested resolutions include:

- prepare a project that meets the standards and guidelines of the existing land use management plan; or
- deny the project or withdraw the project

4:35 pm Wrap-up and Next Steps/Closing Statements – Debbie Anderson, Regional Administrative Review Coordinator and Gina Owens, Objection Reviewing Officer