Priest River Watershed Group
Steering Committee Meeting
May 1, 2025
3:30-6:30pm
West Bonner Library

PRWG
PRIEST RIVER WATERSHED GROUP

Goals:
- Review housekeeping and routine agenda items
- Receive an update on Binarch Creek project
- Learn from Idaho Dept. of Water Resources on Operational Decision Making at Outlet Dam
- Host a collaborative workshop to increase Steering Committee education on Water Temperature Monitoring, and determine PRWG objectives

Agenda

3:30pm | PRWG In-House Steering Committee Meeting
- Communication Plan (vote for adoption if quorum)
- Annual Work Plan (vote for adoption if quorum)
- Report out from Tasks Forces:
    - Dam Management Plan for IDWR
    - Evaluating Recreational Use
    - Project Assessment and Ranking Matrix Creation
- June PRWG Meeting Planning – Kalispel Tribe, East River Planning Process
- Approve PRWG meeting minutes (February and March)

4:20pm | Break

4:30 | PRWG Steering Committee Meeting - Welcome and Overview
- Review Agenda and Goals

4:35pm | Binarch Creek Update, Rob Ryan, IDFG

4:45pm | Water Temperature Monitoring Panel - Introductions
- Topic: Fill internal data gaps by collaboratively learning how water is monitored in the watershed from technical experts.
- Introductions & Panel Prompts:
    - How is water (in the Priest Basin) monitored by your organization/agency?
    - How is monitoring used in decisions your agency makes? Or how do you see it informing actions or decisions?
    - What is the most interesting thing you've discovered in monitoring water in the basin?

PRWG Steering Committee meetings are open for public observation. To ensure efficiency of agenda items, discussion will be reserved for PRWG steering committee members with priority.

5:10pm | Operational Decision Making at Outlet Dam, Michelle Richman & Amy Cassel, IDWR

5:45pm | Collaborative Discussion & Workshop
- **Goal: Collaborate with Technical Experts to identify PRWG's next steps and action items.**
- Discussion | Group Prompts:
    - What do we need to monitor in order to capture and track this year's impacts?
    - How can the PRWG help with water monitoring?
    - Where are the opportunities for partnership?
    - What are our next steps?
    - Questions for panelists on information presented
    - What do we need more information on?

6:20 pm| Hold for public comment (as needed)

6:30pm | Adjourn