



PUYALLUP RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL

At-Large Board Member Position Description

About PRWC

The Puyallup River Watershed Council is an IRS 501c3 non-profit organization, incorporated in the state of Washington in 2012, and in operation since 1996. Our Puyallup Watershed Assessment (2014) identifies four core priority areas: Floodplains, Water Quality, Salmon and Habitat Restoration, and Resources Lands (agriculture and forests). In 2021-22, we are focused on implementing our Ecosystem Recovery Plan (ERP) for the watershed and serving as the newest Local Integrating Organization, which is part of the local arm of a regional strategy for Puget Sound recovery. In September we launched a new website and interactive mapping tool based on the 2021 ERP: www.puyallupwatershed.org.

Nature & Purpose of the Position

Puyallup River Watershed Council works to protect and restore the natural resources of WR1A 10, by empowering local individuals and communities. The PRWC is managed by a volunteer Board of Directors consisting of 12-15 people representing businesses, government, agencies, nonprofits, communities, and educational institutions in the watershed. The PRWC does not have staff at this time.

Board members are elected by an oral vote of current board members at any board meeting, with elections usually occurring in February. The criteria for appointment are determined by the Board based on the needs and focus of the PRWC at any given time. Board Members are appointed for staggered 3-year terms. Officers must be board members, and all officer positions are 1-year terms. Current officer positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Communications Officer.

Primary Responsibilities

At-Large Board Members serve the PRWC and have fiduciary responsibility. Board members have authority to vote on official actions of the Board, develop an Annual Work Plan, set goals and priorities, and implement special projects and annual events, such as the Watershed Symposium and Salmon Homecoming. All board members serve without compensation; however, they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred conducting PRWC business, with the approval of the board and with receipts.

The following is a list of some of the more common duties performed by board members:

- Participate actively in eight Board Meetings and an annual retreat each year;
- Represent the interests of underrepresented sectors of the community;

- Serve on at least one committee or event organizing team organized by the Board; board members may also serve as Chair of a committee. Current committees include: Executive, Communications, and the Puyallup-White River Local Integrating Organization (PWR-LIO).
- Represent the Board on committees, commissions, councils, work groups, and associations formed by other organizations, as directed by the Board;
- Assist with outreach and education programs that further the mission of PRWC;

For more information about PRWC, visit: www.piercecountywa.org/prwc

To Apply

Please send an electronic cover letter and/or resume to:

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