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May 17, 2021

**NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING**  
**(Set for Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at 1 p.m.)**

Re: In the Matter of Utility Wildfire Preparedness, Docket U-210254

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On May 26, 2021, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission will hear from energy utilities about their preparedness for the upcoming wildfire season, including plans for fire mitigation strategies and communications plans with state, federal, and local emergency response agencies, and customers.

The Commission requests that electric utilities submit presentation materials and relevant plans to the Commission in this docket five business days prior to the meeting.

Due to Avista's pending general rate case, the Commission must limit discussion of Avista's wildfire preparedness plans to general discussion of the company's plans and non-litigated issues.

This meeting will be recorded and posted to this docket at a later date.

**AGENDA**

This meeting begins at 1 p.m. and will include discussion, updates, and presentations in the following order:

- 1 p.m.** Welcome and introductions
- 1:10 p.m.** Electric utilities to present plans and expectations for the 2021 wildfire season:
- Avista
  - Pacific Power

- Puget Sound Energy

**2:30 p.m.** Break

**2:40 p.m.** Washington State Department of Natural Resources to discuss:

- Expected conditions for the 2021 wildfire season, and
- Updates regarding the continuation of the state's Electric Utility Wildland Fire Prevention Task Force and other relevant 2021 legislation

**3 p.m.** U.S. Forest Service and Northwest Interagency Coordination Center to discuss changes to federal land management requirements and expectations for the wildfire season.

**3:20 p.m.** Bonneville Power Administration to discuss BPA's public safety power shutoff policy.

**3:40 p.m.** Washington Emergency Management Division to discuss wildfire coordination and response.

**4 p.m.** *(potential extension to 4:30 p.m., if needed)* Commission remarks and adjourn

## MEETING PARTICIPATION

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If you have questions regarding this recessed open meeting, you may contact energy policy advisor Kate Griffith at [kate.griffith@utc.wa.gov](mailto:kate.griffith@utc.wa.gov) or (360) 742-2628.

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