



**Jefferson County
Marine
Resources
Committee**

**Tues, August 4, 2026
5:30-7:30PM
Hybrid Meeting
Pavilion Building (355 Hudson St.)**

MEETING AGENDA

Officers/Executive Committee:

Emily Buckner, Chair
Neil Harrington, Vice Chair
Brenda Johnson, NWSC Rep
Sarah Fiskén, NWSC Alt

MRC Members:

District 1 - Vacant
Timothy Behrenfeld, District 1
District 1 Alt - Vacant
Brenda Johnson, District 2
District 2 - Vacant
Frank Handler, District 2 Alt
Sarah Fiskén, District 3
District 3 - Vacant
Tim Cross, District 3 Alt
Betsy Carlson, Envir/Conserv
Bryan DeCaterina, Env/Cons Alt
Carol Hasse, Port of PT
Gordon King, Commercial
Emily Buckner, Marine Science
Jon Waggoner, Marine Science Alt
Heidi Eisenhour, BoCC
Troy McKelvey, Recreation
Recreation Alt - Vacant
Steve King, City of PT
Neil Harrington, Tribal Rep
Odhran Waggoner, Local Youth
Bella Ferland, Local Youth Alt

Staff:

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Tonya Cole
MRC Meeting Recorder

- Call to Order, Mission & Introductions
- **Guest Speaker:**
Sound IQ
Suzanne Shull, Northwest Straits Foundation, GIS Specialist
- Break
- Amendments to/Approval of Agenda
Amendments to/Approval of June 2026 Minutes
- Public Comment
- **Administrative Updates**
 - Project Summary Reports due September 14
- **2026 NWSC Conference**
 - Collaborative Networking Activity (Katie)
 - Conference - Field Trip planning (Betsy)
- **Recent Meeting Reports**
 - NWSC Monthly Meeting update (Brenda)
- **Grant Project Updates**
 - Forage Fish (Dabob, Quilcene Marina – Sarah)
 - Olympia Oysters (Neil)
 - Bull Kelp Monitoring (Jon)
 - Eelgrass Buoys (Troy)
 - Education and Outreach (Betsy)
 - Shoreline Landowner Outreach (Sarah)
 - Rain Garden - Future Planning (Neil)
- **Other MRC Project Updates**
- **Jefferson County Updates and Policy Matters**
 - Port Update
 - BoCC Update
 - MRC Announcements/Member Roundtable
- Public Comment
- **Wrap up**
 - Call for Future Agenda Topics/Speakers
- Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

August 18, 8:30am-9:30am – MRC Executive Committee Meeting

[August 28, 10am-12pm – NWSC Monthly Meeting \(Meeting details here\)](#)

September 1, 5:30pm-7:30pm – Hybrid MRC monthly meeting at Pavilion Building
(355 Hudson St, Port Townsend, WA)

September 11-13, 2026 - Wooden Boat Festival

November 6-7, 2026 - NWSI Conference, Port Townsend, WA

[2nd Wednesdays at 1pm and 4th Wednesdays at 5:30pm – Port of PT Meetings](#)
[Mondays, 9am – Jefferson County BoCC Meetings](#)
[Fridays, 12pm – BoCC on KPTZ \(91.9\)](#)

Ongoing projects in Jeff. Co:

- [Pleasant Harbor MPR](#)
- [City of PT SMP update](#)
- [Jefferson County SMP update](#)
- [PT sewer outfall \(not up to date\)](#)
- Port of PT sea level rise mitigation project
- [Duckabush Estuary Restoration Project](#)

2026 Monthly Meeting Dates

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
6	3	3	7	5	2		4	1	6	3	1
WSU	PAV	PAV	PAV	QCC	PAV		PAV	PAV	QCC	PAV	PAV

About the MRC

The Jefferson Marine Resources Committee is an advisory group to the Board of County Commissioners and part of the regional Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative. Members are citizen volunteers committed to protecting and restoring our local marine habitats.
