

KITTITAS COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE:	May 3, 2016
ACTION REQUESTED:	Consider the appointment of Gary Berndt, Jim Hanson & Chris Cruse to the Public Lands Advisory Committee (PLAC) for a 3 year term.
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BACKGROUND:	<p>The Public Lands Advisory Committee was formed per Resolution 2013-134.</p> <p>It states that outdoor recreation is a key industry to the economic well-being of Kittitas County and with public lands constituting nearly 71% of the total lands area of Kittitas County. Those lands are integral to the industry of outdoor recreation and the public's ability to access and recreate on those lands is of paramount importance. The Board of County Commissioners desires to work cooperatively with major public lands managers to ensure appropriate access, management of wildlife and natural resources on public lands is consistently available.</p>
INTERACTION:	<p>On February 4, 2014, members of the PLAC were formally appointed after the Committee was formed by Resolution 2013-134. Resolution 2015-086 created "term" limits for the members.</p> <p>On April 19, 2016 Staff received a letter from the Clerk of the PLAC. She indicated that the PLAC unanimously recommended the appointment of Gary Berndt, Chris Cruse and Jim Hanson.</p>
RECOMMENDATION:	Appoint Gary Berndt, Chris Cruse & Jim Hanson to the Public Lands Advisory Committee for a 3 year term.
HANDLING:	Deputy Clerk of the Board to notify applicants of their appointment to the Public Lands Advisory Committee. Update the County Boards and Commissions page.
ATTACHMENTS:	Applications: Berndt, Cruse & Hanson Letter from PLAC Clerk
LEAD STAFF:	Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board