

**KITTITAS COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109
Regular Meeting**

MONDAY

1:30 PM

November 24, 2025

Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz, and Commissioner Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Josh Fredrickson, Lisa Godden, Arden Thomas, Public Works; Chad Bala, Community Development Services.

At 1:30PM Chairman Laura Osiadacz opened the Public Works Study Session.

NO CITIZEN COMMENTS

YAKIMA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE RECOVERY BOARD REPRESENTATION DISCUSSION

Arden Thomas briefed the Board of County Commissioners that the Public Works staff has served as the County's Alternate Representative on the Yakima Basin Fish and Wildlife Recovery Board (YBFWRB) since 2019. Arden Thomas advised the Board that capacity constraints within Public Works are limiting the ability to effectively serve in this role and asked for direction from the Board of County Commissioners on how to proceed.

Discussion was held to identify an alternative, possibly from within another Kittitas County office who may have the capacity for the role of Alternate Representative for YBFWRB.

Chad Bala, Director of Community Development Services (CDS), briefed the Board of County Commissioners that CDS will review their staffing capacity to see if a CDS staff member may be an option as an Alternative Representative.

Josh Fredrickson asked the Board of County Commissioners for direction regarding reaching out to YBFWRD to request that they streamline their meetings so that time is used efficiently.

Commissioner Brett Wachsmith agreed that contacting YBFWRB to discuss focused meetings moving forward is needed.

Chairman Laura Osiadacz suggested reaching out to other Kittitas County Departments to see if there is a staff member with the capacity to be the County's Alternate Representative and stated that reaching out to YBFWRD to streamline their meetings should be done as well.

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NO OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting concluded at 1:46 PM

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



**Lisa Godden, Administrative
Assistant**



Laura Osiadacz, Chairman