

2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Agriculture

2. Fiscal Year

2024

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Olympic Peninsula Resource Advisory
Committee

3b. GSA

Committee No.

13836

4. Is this New Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

12/19/2023

6. Expected Renewal Date

12/19/2025

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority

Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

SRS and Community
Self-Determination Act as
reauthorized in PL 110-343,
PL 112-141 and as amended
Agricultural Improvement Act
of 2018 PL. 115-334.

13.

Effective Date

10/03/2008 Continuing No

14.

Committee Type

14c.

Presidential?

15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

16a. Total

Number of Reports

No Reports for
this Fiscal Year

17a.

Open

0

17b. Closed

0

17c. Partially Closed

0

Other Activities

0

17d. Total

0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343.

The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service

officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The committee is comprised of 15 members, five in each of three categories prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee generally will meet 1-4 times per year as needed to perform its duties.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The RAC is necessary to improve collaborative relationships among the people that use and care for the National Forests and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or

partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public unless it is a nonbusiness meeting where no voting or recommendations happen, and it is approved by FACA.

21. Remarks

The RAC met 9/18/2023 to review and recommend project proposals to be funded with SRS funds from FY20, FY21, and FY22.

Designated Federal Officer

Susan Beall Forest Supervisor, Olympic National Forest, Supervisor's Office

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Bonnell, Dane	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Business Agent/Union Rep	Representative Member
Brotherton, Gregory	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Jefferson County, County Commissioner	Representative Member
Koehlinger, Julie Ann	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Hoh Indian Tribe, Natural Resources Director	Representative Member
Metzger, Julie Anne	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Clallam Coutny PUD/Power system Projet Coordinator	Representative Member
Nagle, Eric	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Retired, Volunteer Gray Wolf Trail Grew, WTA	Representative Member
Paul, Austin	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Point No Point Treaty Council, Shellfish Harvest Manager	Representative Member
Pickett, Paul	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Water Resources Consultant	Representative Member
Rasmussen, Nicole	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Quilute Tribe, Biologist	Representative Member
Schindele, Mitzi	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Backcountry Horsemen of WA	Representative Member
Silver, Jill	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	10,000 Years Insitute, Executive Director	Representative Member

Spears, Michael	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	City of Port Townsend, Lead Operator - Water Resources	Representative Member
Stewart, Matthew	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Jefferson Search and Rescue, Volunteer, Board President	Representative Member
Warne, Jill	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Grays Harbor County, County Commissioner	Representative Member
Wolff, Phil	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Retired WA State Department of Natural Resources Recreation Manager	Representative Member
Zimmerman, Mara	09/06/2022	09/06/2026	Coast Salmon Partnership, Executive Director	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 15

Narrative Description

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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| Improved service delivery | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Outcome Comments

The Olympic Peninsula RAC does not have a formal monitoring program in place at this time to monitor project progress or to make recommendations for improvements.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Cost Savings Comments

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

413

Number of Recommendations Comments

For FY23, 15 projects were recommended.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

95%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

393 projects have been fully implemented and funded.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

5%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

20 recommendations are partially implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

The Forest Service (FS) Designated Federal Official reports to the committee on whether recommended projects proposals are or are not approved by the FS. The DFO and RAC Coordinator also reports on actions taken to implement approved projects. This may take the form of verbal reports and presentations at committee meetings, committee field trips and monitoring activities.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

Yes

What is the estimated Number of grants reviewed for approval 0

What is the estimated Number of grants recommended for approval 0

What is the estimated Dollar Value of grants recommended for approval \$0

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

NA