

## OREGON HISTORIC TRAILS ADVISORY COUNCIL 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

The council serves as an advisory group for Oregon's 16 historic trails. The council consists of nine citizen volunteers appointed by the governor by executive order 98-16. This year's meetings will consist of in house business meetings with state agencies to work on a diversity plan, attract much needed new members.

### MEETING APRIL 29 ALBANY OR.

Our meeting consisted of discussions on the b2h transmission line, Barlow rd. multimedia project. Wendell reported for Erica Rosberg that the project was being used by a 4th grade teacher in Nebraska and is very well accepted and also is nominated for a heritage award. Loren will send Erica a thank you letter for her hard work and an in kind donation of 9500dollars

We moved to send a 200 dollar donation in the name of Gail Carbineer to the Oregon Trail Interpretative Center in Baker City for their hospitality & use of their meeting room for our September 2016 meeting. Work session followed.

We have a need for a non-voting volunteer executive director, the council has a candidate in mind. Loren Irving & Pat Davis will draft a strategic plan for diversity & inclusion for our membership. We need new members to keep the council going, some of our members are well over the 8 year time on the council. The next meeting will be June 22 in Salem with state officials.

### MEETING JUNE 22 STATE OFFICE BUILDING

Our meeting was arranged with the help from Judge Kemp, boards and commissions manager for the governor's office. This meeting was to discuss our problems of attracting and qualifying new members. OHTAC members included Jim Ford, Glenn Harrison , Pat Davis, Dick Seymour and past chair Wendell Baskins. state office members were Mary Moller, executive appointments director, Lauri Aunan, governors policy advisor on natural resources, Chrissy Curran, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, and Laurlee Svendsgaard, chairperson for the Oregon State Parks Trails Advisory Council . We presented our diversity plan and discussed our membership problems, the outcome was Mary & Lauri would work on a solution, and no appointments were to be made until a plan is in effect, they contacted Tracy Loudon, administrator for State Parks, to work with us.

### SEPTEMBER 7TH MEETING CULTURAL INSTUTE

Our meeting was a discussion on governor appointments, travel reimbursements, support from Parks & Recreation, members long over their allowed time on the council and diversity. The consensus of the meeting was a real concern of the longevity of the council.

### OCTOBER 24

A letter was sent to Katie Clifford, Oregon Department of Energy on the Nolin Hills Wind Project and the impact on the Oregon Trail, siting the view shed as the only impact, visual impact should be minimized.



DECEMBER 5 2017

A great letter written by Glenn was sent to all state, federal & private agencies outlining our concern on the route revisions of the b2h ultra high voltage transmission line across the Oregon Trail 8 times on its way from Boardman Or. to Hemingway Id.

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PHONE MEETING WITH TRACY LOUDEN , OREGON PARKS

