

Clallam County Trails Advisory Committee (TAC)

December 3, 2025, Meeting Minutes

A. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS:

The meeting was called to order and conducted via video/phone conferencing.

- *Members Present:* Wendy Clark-Getzin (Vice Chair), Gordon Taylor, Lorrie Mittmann, Justin Zarzeczny, Grant Herman, Jennifer Reandeau, Erik Rohrer, Judy Sarles, Liz Cusanelli

County Representatives:

Steve Gray, County Public Works Dept. (Ex-officio TAC member)

William Habel, Regional Trails & Active Transportation Coordinator

Mike French, Clallam County Commissioner

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There were no requests for modifications of the November 5th, 2025 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved.

C. MODIFICATIONS/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

- There were no modifications to the agenda.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jeff Bohman of the Peninsula Trails Coalition briefly introduced the new Executive Director, Ann Livingston

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MEMBER UPDATES:

- Member Stevenson announced that the application for the Olympic Discovery Trail into the Scenic Bikeway program was completed. He also mentioned that construction for the newest section of ODT in Jefferson County was well underway, and looked excellent. He anticipated that the segment will be open in February.

F. TRAIL PROJECTS AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS:

- **ODT- Forks to La Push Project Update**

Will informed the group of a meeting with the DNR to further discuss routing on DNR property for the Forks to La Push route. Clallam County is working with DNR and WSDOT to resolve the habitat issues the DNR raised on two of the properties. DNR desires the trail to be completely built within WSDOT right of way, which would require barriers on US110 in order to meet shared use path standards.

Will also informed the group that the environmental and cultural surveys by Western Federal Lands were now complete, as the DNR had allowed surveyors onto their property.

- **ODT- RAISE Grant Update**

Will shared a letter received from a PS2P lawyer that had been monitoring the progress of several lawsuits pertaining to transportation grants. The letter indicated that new provisions inserted into the RAISE agreements were now considered invalid, pending appeal. A new interlocal agreement had been issued, with most of the contested executive orders removed.

- **County ODT/OAT Maintenance Project Reports/Volunteer Crew Maintenance Project Reports**

The volunteers spent 2 days on the OAT clearing leaves and drainage, near MP8 and MP19, and one day on the ODT working on tree maintenance and chipping. Most of Jeff's time was spent mowing, blowing and brooming. A presentation was given to the County Commissioners in November, detailing some of the major projects that

had been completed during the year, as well as volunteer hour totals to date. The County crew had accrued approximately 3700 hours of volunteer time, and the PTC had done around 2700.

G. DISCUSSION AND BUSINESS ITEMS

- **Gosset Road Logging and Logging Related Trail Closure Discussion**

Member Stevenson asked Member Zarzeczny if there were any updates on the logging that has closed the Gosset Rd section since October. He expressed frustration with the fact that depending on the contractor, trail segments could potentially be closed for two years. Member Zarzeczny concurred. Andy went on to state that perhaps future easement agreements, particularly for the potential future segments in Joyce, should have special language for trail closures, with timelines and prior notification, and that the Forest Service had done a nice job in the past for logging operations on their properties.

- **Peninsula Trails Coalition Executive Director Introduction**

Jeff Bohman introduced the new Executive Director of the PTC, Ann Livingston. Ann is a Florida Native, who has worked in North Carolina, Colorado, and Florida in sustainability, planning and transportation.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

- John Worthington was mistakenly missed during this comment period. Post meeting, he sent a written version of his public comment, which was distributed to TAC members. In his letter, he advocated for the return of Conservation Aide classes, for assisting with trail repair and maintenance.

I. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m.

Meeting recording available here: <https://clallamcowa.portal.civicclerk.com/event/3621/media>