Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules and Executive Appointments DATE: May 20, 2024 BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst



RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments

STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the State Parks and Recreation Commission subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointee

Joel Conder of Salem

Term June 5, 2024 – June 4, 2028

Statutory Authority

ORS 390.114 (2023)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The commission has seven members, including at least one from each congressional district (DEUR (CD1), GRASTY (CD2), IZUMI (CD3), CRIBBINS (CD4), HILL (CD4), **CONDER (CD5)**, BERGER (CD6)). Of those members, one must reside west of the summit of the Coast Mountain Range (DEUR) and one must resides east of the summit of the Cascade Mountain Range (GRASTY).

When appointing members, the Governor must consider outdoor and heritage interest, as well as racial, ethnic, gender and geographic diversity. Members serve four-year terms. The Governor designates a chair. The commission meets once every three months.

Duties⁴

The commission promotes outdoor recreation and establishes policies for the operation of the State Parks and Recreation Department.

¹ Or. Const. art. III, §4; ORS 171.562 and 171.565 (2023).

² ORS 244.050 (2023).

³ ORS 390.114 and 390.117 (2023); ORS 182.100 (2023) for affirmative action policy; ORS 236.115 (2023) for diversity criteria.

⁴ ORS 390.117 to 390.977 (2023).

The commission must:

- appoint and guide a State Parks and Recreation director;
- authorize the use of specified funds, gifts, and donations;
- make recommendations regarding administration of the Office of Outdoor Recreation;
- consult with its director on the appointment of an associate director;
- conduct rulemaking in consultation with the Mark O. Hatfield School of Government and the governing bodies of federally recognized tribes within Oregon's borders, to establish procedures to resolve disputes concerning archaeological sites and historical materials; and
- appoint members to and consult with the All-Terrain Vehicle Advisory Commission and the Oregon Recreational Trails Advisory Council.

The commission may:

- delegate certain functions to the State Parks and Recreation director;
- establish priorities for the acquisition of property and acquire real property or any right or interest in real property necessary for state park development or operations, or to contribute to the public welfare or enjoyment, including acquisitions based on natural, scenic, cultural, historic or recreational value;
- develop and maintain facilities and areas;
- acquire manage and dispose of real or personal property;
- enter into contracts for the betterment of parks or other specified purposes; and
- publish guides and other materials relating to recreational opportunities and other functions of the department.



Parks and Recreation Commission, State

Agency: Parks & Recreation Department, Oregon	Policy Area: Natural Resources
Authorization: ORS 390.114	Board Admin: Denise Warburton
Min Members: 7 Max Members: 7	Address:
Term Length: 4 Term Limit: 2	725 Summer Street NE, Suite C
Senate Confirmation Required?: Yes	Salem, OR 97301
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Current Appointments

Prof Deur, Douglas "Doug" E PhD	Term(s):	6/1/2021 - 5/31/2025
CD 1; West of the Cascades		6/1/2017 - 5/31/2021
Position Number: 1		
Mr Grasty, Steven E	Term(s):	6/1/2021 - 5/31/2025
CD 2; East of Cascades		6/1/2017 - 5/31/2021
Position Number: 2		
Izumi, Betty	Term(s):	2/16/2024 - 2/15/2028
CD 3		
Position Number: 3		
Ms Cribbins, Melissa T	Term(s):	2/16/2024 - 2/15/2028
CD 4		
Position Number: 4		
Ms Berger, Victoria "Vicki" J	Term(s):	6/1/2021 - 5/31/2025
CD 6		6/1/2017 - 5/31/2021
Position Number: 6		
Mr Blasher, Jonathan T	Term(s):	7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023
(CD 3)		7/1/2015 - 6/30/2019
Position Number: 5		
Conder, Joel	Term(s):	6/5/2024 - 6/4/2028
CD 5		
Position Number: 5		
Mrs Hill, Elizabeth "Liz" C	Term(s):	6/1/2021 - 5/31/2025
(CD 4)		
Position Number: 7		

Vacant Positions