

Lake Cushman and Kokanee Shoreline Use Permitting Public Meeting

Tacoma Power (TPU) and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) are excited to introduce PACKS, a new path through Endangered Species Act (ESA) consultation and compliance for USACE regulatory permitting for *Projects Along Cushman and Kokanee Shorelines* (PACKS).

<u>Overview:</u> This meeting is for Lake Cushman and Lake Kokanee lessees whose properties abut TPU's Cushman Hydro-Project reservoirs. TPU is hosting and co-presenting with the USACE. The USACE is one of the regulatory agencies that must permit and approve projects along the reservoir shorelines. The meeting will include an overview of TPU's Shoreline Management Plan and implementation, and roll-out the USACE PACKS program.

Historically, the ESA consultation process has experienced significant delays. The PACKS program was developed to minimize adverse impacts to listed species and significantly reduce the time it takes to complete ESA consultation for your USACE permit. Shoreline applicants whose permit applications meet the requirements of the PACKS program can streamline the ESA consultation and USACE Clean Water Act, Section 404 permit (404 permit) process, for certain projects.

Date and Time: Monday, September 23, 2024, from 3-5 pm

Location: Zoom meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/84913600220 Meeting ID: 849 1360 0220

<u>Presenters:</u> Wynnae Wright, Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU); Joseph Pavel, Skokomish Tribe; Kristin Mahen, USACE

<u>Available to answer questions during Q&A:</u> Josh Taylor and Christina Schroeder, USACE; Ryan McReynolds and Brieanna English, USFWS; Jeff Vanderpham, NOAA/NMFS; Teresa Loo, TPU

Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
3р	Welcome, purpose, introductions, and ground rules	Wynnae Wright, TPU
3:10	Skokomish Tribe intro	Joseph Pavel, Skokomish Tribe
3:20	Tacoma Power's Shoreline Management Plan 101	Wynnae Wright, TPU
3:35	USACE PACKS Programmatic roll-out	Kristin Mahen, USACE
3:55	Tacoma Power PACKS Application Tools	Wynnae Wright, TPU
4p	Q&A	All
5p	Meeting adjourned	