



Executive Committee Meeting Agenda DRAFT

March 24, 2026, at 5:00 PST

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TOPIC

Welcome & Introductions

Meeting called to order at 5:00PM Pacific

Agenda

No additions or corrections.

Minutes: February 2026

Motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Stifel

- Mark Finnicum representing Stifel Investment regarding the Legal and Legacy investment accounts.
- How has Stifel protected BCHA investments during this time.
 - Legal account has been holding steady
 - Legacy is down 7,000 but we are still ahead.
- When you take the action of the 10% marker, how long does it take to move? In as little as 14 minutes. Now, is this a decision that needs to go through the EC or is this something BCHA wants Stifel to pull the trigger on?

Comments

- Trust in the investor, by the time it runs through the EC it will be too late.
- Financial manager should be able to make the decisions based on BCHA criteria.
- Consensus is to trust the financial advisor, Stifel, to make moves.

What do we need to do move funds? Just send an email to Mark letting him know how much.

Financial Reports – February 2026

- Balance Sheet
 - Account balances provided.
 - CD's – No change in February
 - Total liabilities provided.
 - Total equities and liabilities provided.
 - Investment account- Legacy and Legal values provided.
- Budget Vs. Actual
 - Dues and Donation amounts provided. Dues will not be as much as the budget.
 - Total Revenue provided, projected year end provided.

Motion to approve the February financial report as presented. Seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.



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Public Lands

Draft Bill to Prohibit Agencies from Restricting Class 1 E-bike Use (*for background on the bill, see February 2026 Public Lands Report*): In separate conversations, spoke with colleagues at Idaho Trails Association (ITA), International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) and, in a zoom meeting arranged by AHC, spoke with [PeopleForBikes \(PFB\)](#) regarding Sen. Simpson's (R-ID) draft bill. None indicated they supported the bill as currently written, as it would bypass local decision making with stakeholder engagement. ITA supports BCHA's rationale for opposing the bill, while IMBA and PFB see opportunities to reshape the bill to lessen the administrative burden in the authorization Class 1 e-bike use on non-motorized trails; they offered to share their proposed changes once their organizations reached agreement. Yet I remain doubtful that a legislative solution is something that BCHA could support.

In coordination with BCH Idaho National Directors, held a zoom meeting with Rep. Simpson staff from Boise and Washington DC to discuss our concerns about the bill. Staff confirmed they had asked IMBA and PFB for their proposed language changes and offered to continue the discussion after that point.

Hike the Hill: Active participant in the following 2026 Hike the Hill® activities in Washington DC:

1. Sunday group planning session to review key upcoming meetings and joint [talking points](#);
2. Group meeting with the Chief of the US Forest Service where I expressed BCHA concern over the proposed [repeal](#) the 2005 Travel Management Rule;
3. Small group meeting with Department of Interior Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks centered on staffing needs and improvements needed in [Legacy Restoration Fund](#) implementation;
4. Group meeting with BLM leadership where I expressed BCHA's support for retaining the agency's Trails and Travel Management policy (i.e., Rule, similar to US Forest Service's);
5. Separate group meetings with key congressional staff who inform the agenda of the:
 - a. House Committee on Appropriations (Interior, Environment & Related Agencies);
 - b. Senate Committee on Appropriations (Interior, Environment & Related Agencies);
 - c. House Committee on Natural Resources (both majority, R, and minority, D, staff meetings).
 - d. Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources (minority staff).
6. Attended congressional briefing by partners Washington Trails Association and the Pacific Crest Trail Association that featured two congressional trail champions; and
7. Joined Rails-to-Trails Conservancy promotion and screening of a PBS [documentary](#);



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8. Coordinated and/or participated in six meetings with congressional offices in small group discussions to discuss legislative priorities of the trails community, including:
 - a. Annual funding for trails (see [fact sheet](#) for trails community's FY'27 asks),
 - b. Reauthorization of the Legacy Restoration Fund (S.1547), and
 - c. Support for the Recreational Trails Program Full Funding Act ([S.811](#)).

Coalition Zoom Meetings: Randy represented BCHA in the following coalition zoom meetings:

- Coalition for Recreational Trails— discussion regarding advancement of RTP Full Funding Act and preparation for spring recognition ceremony for members of Congress in DC.
- Northwest Trails Roundtable—coordinating our responses to Legacy Restoration Fund, Transportation bill (i.e., RTP), FY'26 appropriations, Rep. Simpson draft e-bike bill, etc.
- Travel Management Core Group— ongoing discussion of joint outreach to avert full repeal of the US Forest Service Travel Management Rule. Worked with Communications subgroup to refine BCHA 1-page fact sheet on the topic (see following page).



[Retain and Modernize the Forest Service 2005 Travel Management Rule](#)

The US Department of Agriculture, which oversees the Forest Service, [announced](#) its intent to repeal the agency's 2005 Travel Management Rule (**TMR**). The TMR established regulations by which the agency manages motorized vehicle use on national forests and grasslands. It was proposed and adopted by the Bush Administration to address one of the top threats to the integrity of the national forest system at the time: "unmanaged recreation," specifically motorized recreation by users of motorcycles, ATVs, side-by-sides, snowmobiles, etc.

Prior to adoption of the TMR, enforcement of restrictions on motorized use primarily relied upon the posting of signage that stated a given trail, or area was closed to motorized travel. The TMR directed national forests to prepare a Travel Management Plans (**TMPs**) that identify which routes and areas on public lands are open to motorized travel; these are shown on the forest Motor Vehicle Use Map (**MVUM**). Areas that have not been identified as open are generally closed to motorized use. This represented a reversal of the former open-unless-posted-closed regulations for motorized travel. Since the TMR, the rule has been closed-unless-posted-open.

Here are reasons how the TMR benefits all visitors to the National Forest System:



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- The TMR provides a proven framework for minimizing user conflict, protecting wildlife, and preventing long-term damage to soils, vegetation, and watersheds.
- Existing Travel Management Plans reflect years of collaboration between local land managers and the public, informed by site-specific conditions and extensive community input.
- The TMR gives law enforcement clear authority to address unsafe or illegal uses, helping keep national forests safe for all visitors.
- Maintaining the TMR avoids costly and duplicative reevaluation of hundreds of existing forest travel plans, saving agency resources and honoring the extensive public engagement already invested in locally driven solutions.

CONCLUSION:

Repeal of the TMR could lead to a chaotic situation in which the safety of public lands users and forest resources could be adversely affected. Countless visitors could lose opportunities for a safe and enjoyable visitor experience. Effort instead should be made to modernize the TMR to fit current needs expressed by motorized and non-motorized forest visitors alike.

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Committee Updates

Double Diamond award is in process.

Chapter Grants: Decisions have been made on recipients.

Partnership/Saw – All the updates to the SBP have been done. Working on Monday's presentation.

National Board Meeting Survey

The purpose of the survey and scoring was explained. Highest scores were discussed.

This will be presented at the National Board Meeting.

Legacy

Suggesting we have a responsibility to the membership, especially to those who contributed to the Legacy Fund. Suggested Legacy information should be included in the monthly update.

Discussion about talking to the National Directors, they need to provide information to their membership. Other suggestions to put a thermometer in the monthly update as well as information about the Legacy Fund.

Anti-Discrimination Policy

Original proposal was a bit restrictive, the policy was amended and submitted to the EC prior to this meeting. Discipline based on inappropriate conduct violating the Anit-Discrimination and



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Harassment Policy, will be handled on a case-by-case basis. Further discussion about the content and how this will be helpful to BCHA.

Motion the Executive Committee recommends adoption of the Anti-Discrimination and Harassment Policy, to the National Board of Directors. Seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

This will be put on the agenda for the National Board Meeting.

Governance Policy

Discussion on the changes. Discussion on committee chair term limits.

This will be presented to the National Directors and the National Board Meeting.

Motion to present the changes to the National Directors during the National Board Meeting. Seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Contract Review Michelle and Randy left the meeting

Updates from the Chairman

2026-2027 Draft Budget presented. No questions.

Next EC Meeting: April 28, 2026

National Director Call tomorrow night.

Adjourn

Meeting ended at 7:50PM Pacific

In Attendance: Mark Himmel, Craig Ferdig, Latifia Rodriguez, Heather Schultz, Greg Schatz, Jim Allen, Brad Pollman, Heather Cox, Darrel Wallace

Staff: Randy Rasmussen, Michelle Wade

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