



American Water Works Association

Pacific Northwest Section

Lower Columbia Subsection

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2023 Annual Report

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Subsection Officers

President	Kristin Kihs, HDR 206.920.8282, Kristin.kihs@hdrinc.com
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Past President	Andrew Holmes, Clark Public Utilities 360.798.7671, aholmes@clarkpud.com

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2023 Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Location	Champion
1/12/2023	12 Noon	January Meeting	Double Barrel Taphouse, Vanc.	
2/2/2023	4:30 PM	Hydrant Walkthrough & Demo	Fortside Brewing	Secretary & VP
2/9/2023	12 Noon	February Meeting	Northwoods, Battleground	
2/16/2023	5-7pm	February Trustee Meeting	Amavi Cellars	Phil. Chair & President
3/22/2023	7:30 AM	March Training - Meters & Competitions	Longview Art Center	Treasurer & President
4/13/2023	12 Noon	April Meeting	Hooligans, Vanc.	
5/3 - 5/5/2023		PNWS Annual Conference	Kennewick	
5/11/2023	12 Noon	May Meeting	Brickhouse, Vanc.	
6/2/2023	12 Noon	June Meeting	Heathen	
6/11 - 6/14/2023		ACE23	Toronto	
6/23/2023	6:00 PM	Beer for Water Fundraiser (WFP)	Heathen	Phil. Chair & Secretary
7/13/2023	12 Noon	July Meeting	Puffin, Washougal	
8/10/2023	12 Noon	August Meeting	Main Event, Vanc. DT	
9/8/2023	8:00 AM	Golf Tournament (PAC)	Tri-Mountain	All
9/14/2023	12 Noon	September Meeting	Hooligans, Vanc.	
10/12/2023	7:30 AM	Fall Training - Day with DOH	Water Resource Center	President & Secretary
11/9/2023	TBD	November Meeting/Planning Meeting	Wildfin, Vanc. Waterfront	
12/14/2023	7:30 AM	Holiday Training - Hydrant & Valve Maint.	Camas Lodge	VP & Phil. Chair



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2024 Subsection Goals

1. Improved Communication
2. Quarterly Training
3. Succession Planning
4. Young Professional Events
5. Outreach to Remote Utilities



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Lower Columbia Subsection held two successful networking events in 2023 – **Beer for Water** held at Heathen Brewing in June and the **Annual Golf Tournament** held at Tri-Mountain Golf Club in September.

A big THANK YOU to our sponsors and attendees!



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2024 Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Location	Champion	Support
1/9/2024 (Tuesday)	12 Noon	January Meeting	Hooligans	Kristin	Cole
1/23/2024	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	LCRI Training (volunteer?)	Water Resource Center		
1/23/2024	10:00 AM	PNWS Trustee Meeting	virtual		
2/5/2024	12 Noon	February Meeting	Cecelia's	Kristin	Cole
3/4/2024	12 Noon	March Meeting	Brick House	Kristin	Cole
TBD		YP Event Placeholder	TBD	Cole	All
3/14/2024	7:00 - 4:00	March Training - Competitions	McClelland Arts Center	Andrew	All
4/1/2024	12 Noon	April Meeting	Grassa	Kristin	Cole
5/1 - 5/3/2024		PNWS Annual Conference	Spokane		
5/6/2024	12 Noon	May Meeting	Heathan Brew Pub	Kristin	Cole
5/17/2024	5:30 PM	Beer for Water	Heathan Brew Pub	Kelsey	
6/3/2024	12 Noon	June Meeting	Bob's Bottle Shop	Kristin	Cole
6/10 - 6/14/2024	TBD	ACE23	Anaheim, CA		
7/1/2024	12 Noon	July Meeting	Ruse Brewing	Kristin	Cole
7/??/2024	12 Noon	Summer Training/Tour	TBD	Andrew	All
8/5/2024	12 Noon	August Meeting	Puffin Café	Kristin	Cole
9/6/2024	8:00 AM	Golf Tournament	TBD	Brian	All
9/16/2024	12 Noon	September Meeting (If needed)	Brick House	Kristin	Cole
10/10/2024	TBD	Fall Training & October Meeting	Water Resource Center	Mehrin	All
10/2 - 10/4/2024		PNWS Fall Training	Eagle Crest		
TBD	TBD	YP Event Placeholder	TBD	Cole	
11/4/2024	12 Noon	November Meeting (2025 Planning)	TBD	Kristin	Cole
December	TBD	Holiday Training - TBD	Lacamas Lodge		



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SUBSECTION BALANCE SHEET FOR CALENDAR YEAR

Subsection Name:

BANK STATEMENT PERIOD:

THROUGH

PREVIOUS BALANCE

DEPOSITS & ADDITIONS (Should total the income on the profit and loss statement)

CHECKS & WITHDRAWALS (should total the expenses on the profit and loss statement)

ENDING BALANCE:



SUBSECTION PROFIT/LOSS STATEMENT AS OF:

Subsection Name:

INCOME:

Interest

Receivables

Miscellaneous

TOTAL INCOME:

EXPENSES:

Accounting Fees

Committee

Conference/Meetings

Equipment

Miscellaneous

Officer Compensation

Postage

Printing

Prizes & Awards

Telephone

Travel

TOTAL EXPENSES:



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SUMMARY REPORT OF SUBSECTION CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR

2023

Subsection Number: 15 Subsection Name: Lower Columbia Subsection

- 1) Total Subsection Balance of funds at beginning of the year: \$10,733.27
- 2) Total Receipts during the year. (Monies collected during the year): \$20,213.99
- 3) **Total (Add Lines 1 and 2):** \$30,947.26
- 4) Total Expenses for the year: \$18,066.23
- 5) **Balance at the end of the year. (Subtract line 4 from line 3)** \$12,881.03
- 6) Of the balance on line 5, how much is earned interest from the bank? 0
- 7) Please list where the subsection funds are kept. (Types of accounts, name and branch of bank(s), cash, etc.) **Do not add your bank account numbers.**

Red Canoe Credit Union, Longview, WA 98632
Checking & Savings

Certification: I, the undersigned, Secretary/Treasurer of the Lower Columbia Subsection
Subsection hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct statement of cash receipts and disbursements for the
calendar year listed above.


Sign: Brian E. Wilson

Print Name: Brian E. Wilson

Certification

I declare that I have no knowledge, as of the date set forth below, of any relationships, positions, or circumstances in which I am involved that could be deemed a Conflict of Interest under the Conflict of Interest Policy of the Pacific Northwest Section of the American Water Works Association as currently in effect except as follows:

I hereby certify that the information set forth above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I have reviewed, and I agree to abide by, the Pacific Northwest Section of the American Water Works Association's Conflict of Interest Policy, as currently in effect and as it may be amended from time to time.

Signature  Date: 12/14/2023

Name (printed) COLE BENAK

Committee or Subsection LOWER COLUMBIA

Title SECRETARY

Print Form

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Signature Brian E. Wilson Date: 12/18/23

Name (printed) Brian E. Wilson

Committee or Subsection Lower Columbia

Title Treasurer

Print Form

SF: adminpol/Conflict of interest

AWWA and the Section

Reasons an Affiliation Agreement is needed:

- Protect the Associations' intellectual property including logos, emblems, names, free publications and other proprietary material. In this litigious society if you don't protect your brands you can lose them. An example, Bayer aspirin did not protect the name aspirin and it is now used worldwide by many companies.
- By having this agreement the Association can continue to indemnify all eligible persons of the section, such as directors and officers with liability insurance as cost effectively as possible.
- The Associations' not-for-profit status is critical to our organization surviving. As such the need was there to ensure that everyone understood that all activities conducted by the Sections must meet with AWWA's stated mission of uniting the water community to protect public health and to provide safe and sufficient water for all. Through collective leadership, AWWA advances technology, education, science, management, and government policies. Anything outside of this mission is not allowed.

Section Penalties for Affiliation Agreement Violations:

1. If the Section violates this agreement to Association may start a disciplinary proceeding that could include financial penalties or ultimately dissolution of the Section.

I understand the importance of the American Water Works Associations' Affiliation Agreement and why it was needed. Furthermore, I understand that by violating this agreement I place the Pacific Northwest Section in jeopardy of financial penalties or possible dissolution. If I have any questions or concerns regarding my Committee or Subsection activities I will contact the Section office for clarification.

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Name

Kristin Kih

Title

President

Committee or Subsection

Lower Columbia

Date