

COLUMBIA BASIN TRUST
WATER INITIATIVES COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of the Water Initiatives Committee is to assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities related to the governance and management of the Water Initiatives program.

2 Membership and Meetings

- 2.1 The Board of Directors will make all appointments to the Committee.
- 2.2 The Committee shall be composed of not fewer than three directors and not more than five directors, not counting the Board Chair.
- 2.3 A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. The presence of the Board Chair can be counted towards quorum.
- 2.4 The Board Chair is an ex-officio and a voting member of the Committee.
- 2.5 The members of the Water Initiatives Committee shall serve a one year renewable term.
- 2.6 The Committee shall appoint a Committee Chair.

3 Responsibilities

The Water Initiatives Committee is responsible for:

- 3.1 Developing and recommending a water initiatives strategy that relates to the work of CBT in the area of water within the Columbia River Basin (as defined by the CBT Act) to the Board.
- 3.2 Reviewing progress reports on achievement of goals and objectives in the strategic plan, and reporting to the Board.
- 3.3 Recommending an annual budget within the overall Delivery of Benefits budget to the Delivery of Benefits Committee and, for ultimate decision, to the Board.

- 3.4 Recommending policies on water issues in the Columbia Basin to the Board.
- 3.5 Annually reviewing the performance of the Water Initiatives Committee against its Terms of Reference.
- 3.6 Perform any other duties as may be assigned by the Board or required by law.

4 Reporting

- 4.1 The Committee shall keep regular minutes of its meetings, and report on its discussions to the Board of Directors.