

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.