

# ASSOCIATION OF POWER BIOLOGISTS

# 2025 Annual Meeting Agenda

September 24, 25, & 26, 2025

The 65<sup>th</sup> Annual APB Conference will be hosted by Idaho Power Company in Oxbow, OR from **Wednesday September 24** – **Friday September 26**, **2025**, at IPC's Copperfield Campground. We have reserved half of the Copperfield campground for the APB conference attendees. Copperfield is a 12-acre campground and has showers, restrooms, and electrical hookups!



#### **Agenda**

Wednesday, September 24th, 2025

### **APB Meeting and Cornhole**

09:00 am - 12:00 pm Registration

10:00 am - 11:00 am APB Women's Meeting Light Lunch (provided)

12:30 pm - 12:45 pm President's Opening Remarks & Welcome

12:45 pm - 04:00 pm Meeting Presentations

Summary of a 10-Year Mercury Study; a Fish Centric Story

Nick Gastelecutto: Idaho Power Company

**Hells Canyon Complex Wildlife Habitat Mitigation** 

Aaron Utz: Idaho Power Company

# Spring Chinook and Sockeye Salmon Reintroduction; A Skokomish Watershed Perspective

Jenise Bauman: Tacoma Power

How Saving Dollars Saved Fish; An Unexpected Success Story

Nick Ackerman: PGE

Salmon Reintroduction: How and Where to Apply Resources.

Cory Starr: EWEB

#### **IPC Avian Risk Assessment Surveys**

Natalie Turley: Idaho Power Company

o6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Social and Cornhole Tournament (see description on next page)

(Dinner and drinks provided)

#### **APB 2025 Cornhole Tournament**

<u>Summary</u>: The cornhole tournament will be in the historic Oxbow school house! It is across the street from Copperfield Campground. We will have a double elimination tournament (2 nights), food, and social in the gymnasium. APB will provide drinks and dinner both nights.

#### **APB Women's Meeting**

The APB Women's Meeting will consist of a light breakfast and will include a discussion around knowing your strengths as an environmental professional and individual. The meeting will include talking through ways to identify individual strengths through available tools as well as discussions with coworkers, supervisors and friends, and different approaches. The morning will also include walking through a field planning exercise to help identify areas where you have strengths and interests as well as areas where interest is not peaked.

### Thursday, September 25th, 2025

## **APB Field Tour, Cornhole and Banquet**

08:00 am	P/U Sack Lunch (APB Provided) at Oxbow Mess Hall
08:30 am - 09:30am	Leave in Vans from Copperfield Campground to Hells Canyon Boat
	Launch (22 Miles)

09:30 am Arrive at Hells Canyon Boat Launch

09:30 am – 11:30 am Jet boat downstream with stops at multiple attractions

11:30 am – 03:00 pm Eat lunch provided by APB and tour the historic Kirkwood Ranch

03:00 pm – 04:00 pm 04:00 pm – 05:00 pm Jet boat back to Hells Canyon Boat Launch Return van ride to Copperfield Campground

06:00 pm – 10:00 pm Banquet and Cornhole Tournament (Dinner and drinks provided)

#### **Field Tour**

Idaho Power operates three Snake River dams in the Hells Canyon Complex (HCC). Built in the 1950's-1960's, the Hells Canyon Complex has a generating capacity of 1,166,900 kilowatts. For our APB field tour, we will be jet boating below Hells Canyon Dam and touring the historic Kirkwood Ranch.



#### **Hells Canyon Dam**

330 ft high 25-mile reservoir

#### **Oxbow Dam**

209 ft high 12-mile reservoir

#### **Brownlee Dam**

395 ft high 57-mile reservoir





## Friday, September 29th, 2025

#### APB 2025 Meeting, Oxbow Gymnasium, Oxbow, OR

08:30 am - 10:00 am Idaho Power and Quagga Mussels 2025

Mike Stephensen; Idaho Power Company

10:00 am - 11:00 pm Business Meeting

### **New Membership**

New members are encouraged to apply and are welcome to attend the 2025 APB Annual Meeting. New member applications will be available at the annual meeting.

#### **Additional Details**

Meals and drinks will be provided by the APB Conference unless otherwise noted.

- **Breakfast**: Muffins/Yogurt/Snacks (Thurs-Fri) in a grab-and-go style.
- Coffee Truck: 1 drink provided by APB Thursday and Friday mornings.
- Lunch: Provided on Wednesday and Thursday.
- Wednesday Dinner: Pizza and Salad served by IPC kitchen.
- Thursday Dinner: Barbeque served by Cow Camp Café.

The campground will be reserved starting on the  $23^{rd}$  for those who want to travel to the meeting on Tuesday.

Check-in time at the campground is 3pm. Check-out is 1pm When you arrive, please stop at Campsite 38 to get you campsite and register

Please note that while cell service is unavailable in the area, Idaho Power will provide internet access via StarLink, so you'll be able to stay connected for essential communication.

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#### We look forward to seeing everyone in September!

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