Spokane River Toxics Advisory Committee

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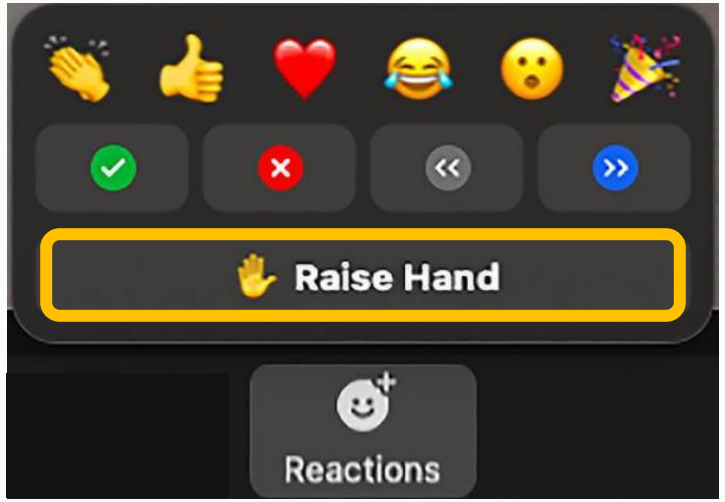

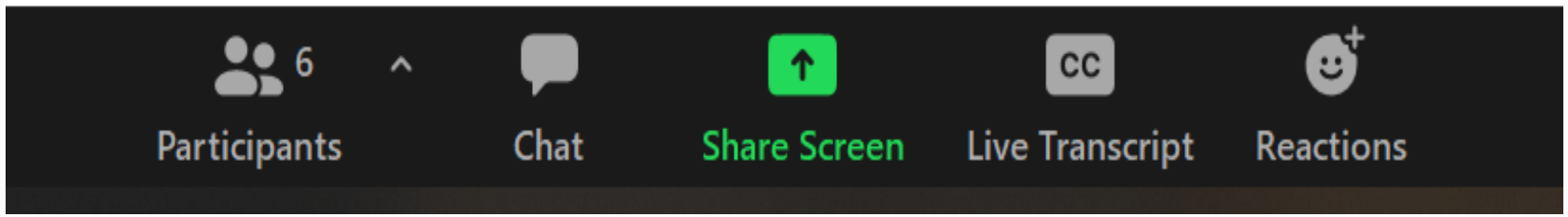

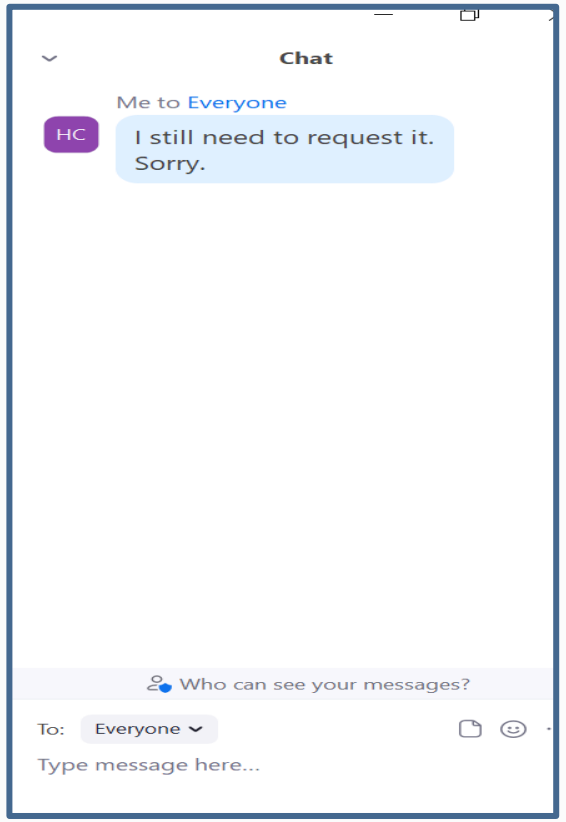

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Meeting Agenda

- 1-1:20pm - Welcome and Introductions
- 1:20-2pm - Intro to PFAS/PFAS Impacts on the West Plains
- 2-2:30pm – AFFF DEIS
- 2:30–2:40pm – 10 Minute Break
- 2:40–3pm – PFAS Statewide Funding Strategy
- 3–3:15pm – Water Quality and the PFAS Proviso
- 3:15–3:30pm - Conclusion

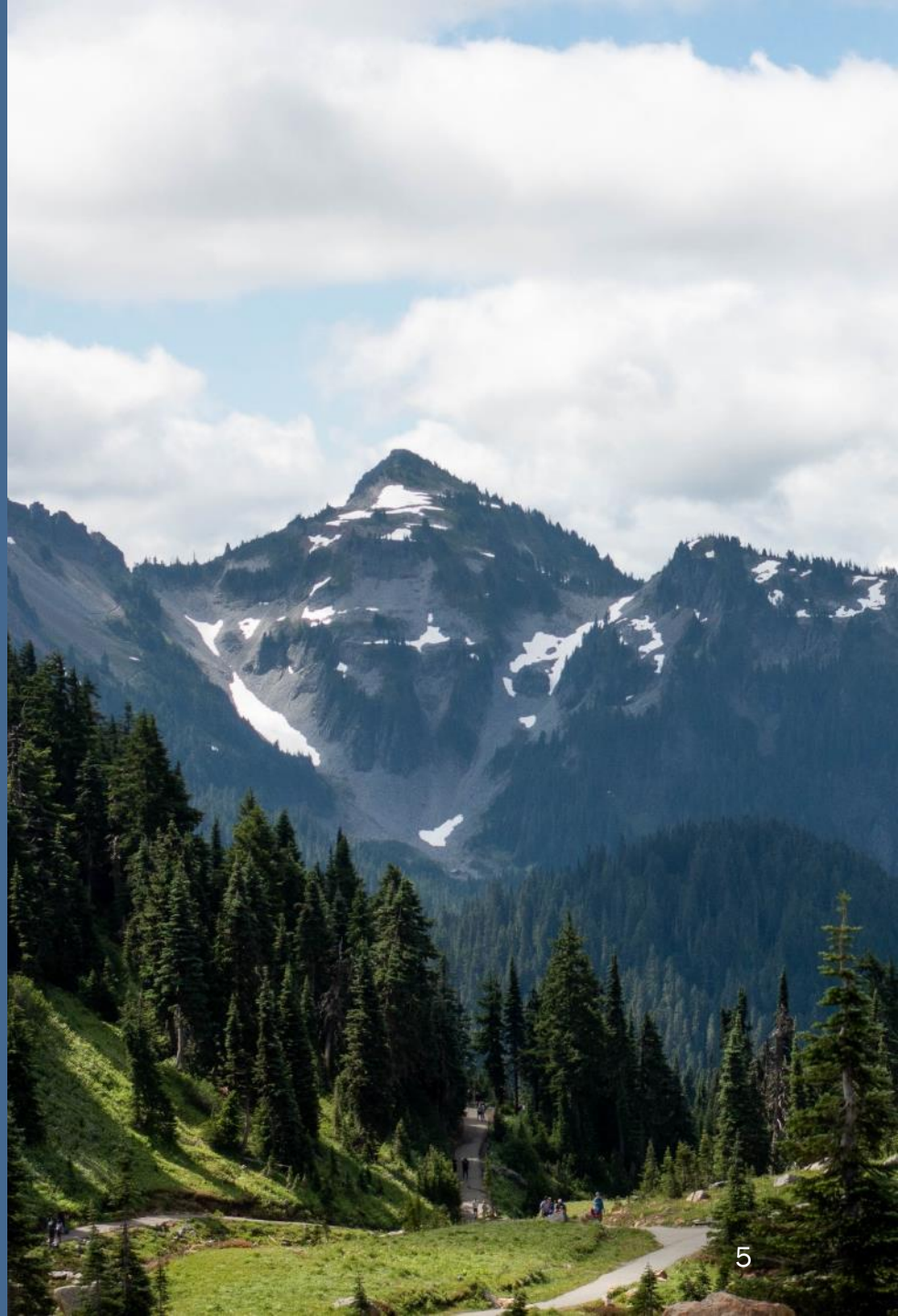
Presenter's Bios

- **Bri Brinkman:** Bri Brinkman came aboard to Ecology last year as an Environmental Engineer with the Toxic Cleanup Program, focusing on PFAS in the West Plains, including assisting as a Site Manager for the Spokane International Airport PFAS site. She previously was a professor at Gonzaga University with research focused on emerging contaminants.

- **Sean Smith:** Sean Smith is Ecology's Product Replacement Program manager. He has been with the agency for more than a decade. Prior to joining Ecology, he worked as a lobbyist for two environmental non-profits, and was a ranger at parks such as Yellowstone, the North Cascades, and Glacier. He grew up in Spokane and graduate from Lewis and Clark High School. Go Tigers!

- **Joy Polston-Barnes:** Joy Polston Barnes is an environmental planner at Ecology. She works on Chemical Action Plan implementation in the Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program. Prior to her time at Ecology, she worked as a natural resource scientist in aquatic assessment and monitoring with the Washington State Department of Natural resources. This work included various projects, some that focused on emerging contaminates.

10 Minute Break



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Proviso Recap

- Multi-year statewide funding strategy for reducing PFAS in the environment.
- Builds upon recommendations from the PFAS Chemical Action Plan (CAP)
  - Recommendations for safe drinking water
  - Managing environmental contamination
  - Evaluating PFAS waste management options which is where water quality comes in.
  - Can include needs identified that are not in the CAP.

Water Quality Leads

- Water Quality (WQ) key points of contact for wastewater/stormwater work:
  - Amanda Gillen
  - Laura Fricke
  - Jeff Killelea

Water Quality Draft Funding Priorities

- Sampling over a 10-year period in years 1, 5, and 10 of influent, effluent, and biosolids at 100 POTWs.
- A one-time sampling study of facilities that fall under the statewide discharge permits that are not landfills.
- Hire engineers and hydrogeologists to provide technical support, identify/control sources of PFAS, and help keep PFAS out of stormwater and groundwater

Details

- Water Quality is building upon CAP recommendations from section 4 of the CAP
- Most of the WQ Priorities are in the 25-27 budget request
- Final draft is due to the legislature in June 2024

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Thank you

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Our Vision

Our innovative partnerships protect and sustain healthy land, air, and water in harmony with a strong economy.

Ecology's strategic goals

Support and engage our communities, customers, and employees

Reduce and prepare for climate impacts

Prevent and reduce toxic threats and pollution

Protect and manage our state's waters