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#### Welcome, Agenda Review, and Teams Overview

Mary Lou Soscia, EPA Region 10 and Greg Frey, Council Oak

#### **Icebreaker**

#### **Keynote Speaker**

• DR Michel, Executive Director Upper Columbia United Tribes

# **EPA Update on Clean Water Act Section 123 Columbia River Basin Restoration Program**

Mary Lou Soscia, EPA, and Michelle Wilcox, EPA

#### **Grantee Updates**

- Dan Kent (Salmon-Safe)
- Kirk Shimeall (Cascade Pacific Resource, Conservation & Development)
- Sierra Higheagle (Nez Perce Tribe Water Resources Division)
- Andy James (University of Washington Tacoma)



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#### EPA's Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Work

Lauren McDaid and Peter Brumm, EPA

#### **Update from the Toxics Monitoring Subgroup**

Jen Bayer, USGS

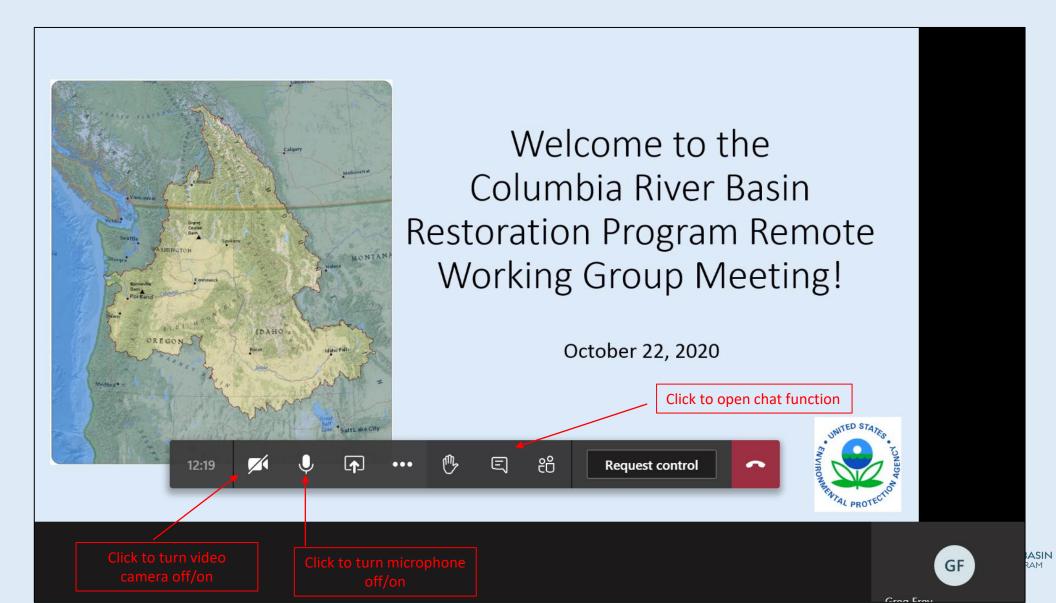
#### Bradford Island, Tribal Fishing, and Health Risks

Laura Shira, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

#### **Event Announcements and Celebrations**



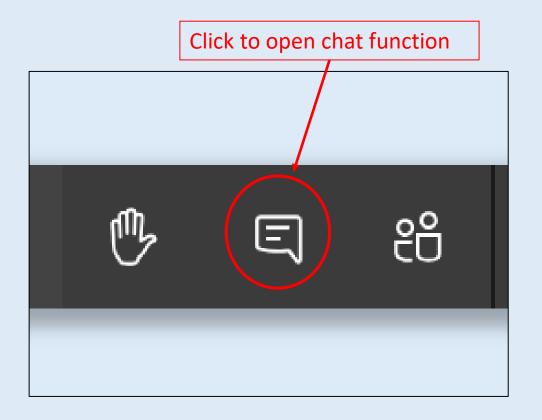
## Introduction to Microsoft Teams



# Introductions and Key Updates:

Using the Teams chat panel, please provide:

- Your name
- Organization
- Please share any work efforts that you would like the group to know about!
  - We will include these in the meeting summary





### How to Participate

 Please keep your microphone on mute unless you are speaking.

- Each session will have time for questions.
  - Submit questions via the chat.
  - We will address questions in the order they are received.

If you experience technical difficulties...

Send a message in the chat or email to:

- Nicole Taylor <u>Taylor.Nicole@epa.gov</u> or
- Greg Frey gfrey@thecounciloak.com



## Icebreaker

Polling the Audience



Which watershed in the Basin does your work focus on?
(Columbia River Mainstem, Snake, Yakima, Spokane,
Kootenai, Clark Fork, Willamette, other)

#### Where in the Basin are you joining from today?



#### Are you representing an entity and if so which?

**Public Citizen** 

NGO

Industry

Agriculture

**Tribal Government** 

Local Government

State Agency

Federal Agency

Other

#### What type(s) of future work are most important to you?

Using green infrastructure to reduce toxics in runoff.

Increased toxics monitoring and access to data.

Using agricultural best practices to reduce toxics and improve water quality.

Small-scale (non-CERCLA) clean-up actions at contaminated sites.

Promoting citizen engagement or education.

Pollution prevention activities to reduce toxics at the source.

What kind of assistance would be most helpful to you for preparing future grant application packages (e.g., webinars, help line, templates, technical resources, etc.)?

# Do you expect to be able to attend an in-person meeting in October 2022 if held in Hood River, Oregon?

Yes

No