

4th Quarter Whitewater Commission Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2025

Location: WV DNR Headquarters – 112 California Ave., Charleston, WV 25305

Chaired: Lt. Col. Trader

In Attendance:

Commissioners: Rick Johnson (River Expeditions via Google Meet); Ed Wooton (private river user via Google Meet); Don Beyer (private river user via Google Meet); Dave Holloway (Alpine Ministries via Google Meet); Corey VanBibber for Chelsea Ruby (Tourism via Google Meet); Brett McMillion (Director, WV DNR)

Others: Amy Hudnall (WV DNR); First Sgt. CJ Whittington (WV DNR); Mark Collins (WV DNR); Wendy Greene (Deputy Director, WV DNR)

Call to Order

The Whitewater Commission meeting of December 16, 2025, was called to order at 1:12 p.m. by Lt. Col. Trader. Introductions were made.

Budget

No discussion was made.

Old Business

- Recommendations updates for two commercial seats and one private river user seat – still waiting on Governor's response

New Business

- 2026 1st Quarter Whitewater Commission meeting will be held in-person
- 2025 river usage report will be available at the 1st quarter meeting in March 2026
- Whitewater website update – WV DNR is still waiting on contracts to be signed before moving forward

Next Meeting Date and Place

The 2026 1st Quarter Whitewater Commission meeting will be held at the WV DNR Headquarters in-person at 112 California Ave., Charleston, WV 25305 on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 1:00pm.

Adjournment

Motion made by Ed Wooton to adjourn the 3rd Quarter Whitewater Commission meeting at 1:18pm. Rick Johnson seconded this motion. Motion was carried.