



The Chinook Pass Cabin Owners Association and its new Board of Directors welcomes all Chinook Pass cabin owners, members, and non-members alike to a new year in 2024.

Rest assured that the CPCOA Board is working on your behalf with local USFS staff and members of the national association of Forest Homeowners. Our USFS district office team has remained stable and is still accessible to us via phone, email, and texts and in person with appointments.

Do you know your cabin neighbors? It would help us immensely if you could share any ownership changes with us so we can update our records and reach out to prospective members. Your assistance with this information is deeply appreciated. I would go a step further and ask you to share this letter and attached member registration/renewal with all the new owners and others in your respective tracts who are non-members.

The National Forest Homeowners board remains focused on many issues such as, but not limited to addressing proposals to change our leases, to reassign some of our national lands to the states, and the proposed elimination of Forest Service Law Enforcement, and the effective use of our cabin lease fees. This effort will help our lobbyists in Washington DC to fight against measures that have a negative impact on our cabins. Never forget, our cabin ownership is under constant scrutiny if not actual assault.

Historically we meet in early Summer and early Fall for a full membership meeting / potluck, with one or more speakers from the USFS and other topics to be determined. If you have a topic you would like to hear about, cabin owner related, please email Steve Emhoff at steve@emhoffgroup.com . We have set the Summer general meeting date for Saturday, June 1st and the Fall annual meeting date for Saturday, October 5th. You can always visit the web site at www.cpcoa.com for updates and information. Please note that we are switching to a new website format so for the next few months there will be changes being made.

I also encourage you to contact us for help with any issues you are encountering with your cabin, the USFS, or ideas about how to organize your tract information. If you are willing to take on a leadership role for your tract, please let me know by emailing me at cpcoawa@comcast.net and we will provide any assistance we can.

Important dates to place on your 2024 calendar:

- Now: Membership dues are due.
- June 1st: General membership meeting -Date and place to be determined.
- June 1st: Cabin Self Inspection report due July 1st: <http://cpcoa.com/MembersOnly/Files/Self-Inspection-Report-2019.pdf>
- October 5th: Annual Membership meeting and election of new Officers and Directors -Date and place to be determined.

The CPCOA Board invites all cabin owners, members, and associates to become involved in the Association. If you are not a member, join us, if you are a member become more active. Consider helping to work on field trips, organizing your tract, or serving on the Board.

The CPCOA is only as strong as you make it. To add to our strength in numbers the CPCOA is also a member of the Washington State Forest Homeowners Association (WSFHA) and the National Forest Homeowners (NFH).

Cabin owner dues are \$75.00 of which \$2.00 goes to WSFHA and \$50.00 to the NFH.

Dues are payable in the first quarter of the year. (See attached Member Application/renewal.) Please send them in as soon as possible.

(Please note: Cabin owners may not sign up as an "Associate".

Included with this letter is the application for new and renewal of membership. Please complete the form and mail it in to Jim Lundeen with the appropriate dues.

We wish you the best in the New Year and look forward to seeing you this summer. Please contact me with any questions, or recommendations on how the CPCOA can be of assistance. I will be checking the Comcast email about once every other Friday, so if you have urgent needs, please use my business address.

Respectfully,

Steve Emhoff, President
Chinook Pass Cabin Owners Association