Minutes of EICC meeting December 1, 2025

Meeting started at ~6:00pm

Board members present: Thierry Legrain (pres), Vernon Phinney (Sec), Mike Engle (CRAG), Mike Krumberger, Devin Lewis (IF), Shaun Johnson, Wyatt Holmes (zoom-IF).

Previous meeting minutes (1-14-2025) were approved.

Climbers on EICC email notification list: 285 individuals; meeting minutes & annual report to be sent out

CRAG (Climbing Resource Advisory Group): Met with Trenton Durfee, the new Superintendent of City of Rocks NR and Castle Rocks SP; discussed the Park's resources being stretched thin, new route permitting, Graham Creek opening, COR camping changes (Bath Rock sites closed and new replacement sites opened adjacent to the new Flaming Rock parking lot, and no changes to ongoing route maintenance permitting (which all agreed was going well). There was general agreement between the Park and CRAG to continue to work together. Tony Roberts, Southern Idaho Climbing Coalition (SICC) president: (recent change); may be taking the lead with CRAG

Ross Park MOU with Pocatello: reviewed memorandum of understanding (MOU) #2 -

- 1) Concerns within the MOU about liability regarding climbing activities and maintenance still an issue.
- 2) Consult with ISU outdoor program concerning anchors & maintenance of routes VP
- 3) Consult with Access Fund/ASCA and other LOC regarding MOU's & acceptable standards for top anchors/route maintenance TL
- 4) Continue meetings w/Pocatello city parks & rec to come to an agreement of how EICC can assist in maintaining climbing routes on Pocatello City properties MOU) TL
- 5) Get copies of permitting applications from CRAG/COR/CR for route maintenance that may assist with the MOU with Pocatello City Parks & rec. ME
- 6) Contact LCO in Eugene OR for copy of MOU for Bat Wall. DL

Massacre Rocks:

- 1) Researching road access from state road to BLM at west entrance access road MK
- 2) Contact local ranchers to discuss access & possible alternative access to massacre VP
- 3) Research to find out if new guide book for massacre is in the process DL
- 4) Change Mountain Projects to better define open climbing areas at Massacre ME
- 5) Blue Ribbon Coalition (BRC) is still interested in pursuing the concerns with the BLM closure of climbing on BLM/BOR land at Massacre Rocks. No actions have been taken as of this date

Upcoming Events for 2026:

- 1) Organizers and volunteers are needed!
- 2) EICC table at the BANF FF presentation (IF); Devin and Wyatt to initiate
- 3) EICC table at Idaho Mountain Festival at City of Rocks Shaun Johnson looking for other members to assist. This years table was well attended.
- 4) EICC table at the Pocatello Pump volunteers are welcome to participate

- 5) Clean up project potentially at Teddy Bear Cove if someone knows of another area in need let EICC board member know
- 6) Possible bouldering comp at Tumbleweeds (Pocatello) or Massacre State Park
- 7) Annual camping event at Castle Rocks/City of Rocks September 2026

Meeting adjourned at ~7:30pm