



PCA - Oregon Region (ORPCA) Board of Directors

May 14, 2023

Subject: Individual Proposal for New Region SW Washington

Dear Washington PCA members,

We received a proposal from our member Les Schreiber for the formation of a new PCA Region covering the four Washington counties that are currently part of the PCA Oregon Region (Wahkiakum, Cowlitz, Clark, Skamania).

The proposal was also sent to the Zone 6 Representative, John Sommerwerck, and the PCA Secretary, Todd Benz. Both PCA National and Zone 6 are now involved and are looking into the merits of the proposal. PCA National is following the process defined in the guidelines for forming a new region (you can read the guidelines [here](#)). The next step in this process is to ask all impacted members if they support the formation of a new region, or if they want to remain in [ORPCA](#).

This letter invites you to cast your vote and also to give us your feedback. **Please review our comments and background data below as well as the unedited letter from Les that is attached and then vote and provide your feedback here:** [New Region Questionnaire](#)

A few comments and background data for your consideration:

- 1) The PCA Oregon Region (ORPCA) currently has around 1,900 primary and family PCA members. As a regional PCA member you are automatically a member of ORPCA. About 50% of the regional PCA members are paying ORPCA members and take advantage of the benefits the [paying ORPCA club membership](#) offers.
- 2) About 15% of the regional PCA members reside in the four Washington counties.
- 3) ORPCA is aiming to have at least 15% of driving and social events in Washington, reflecting the approximate share of membership. In 2022 we had 30% of our driving events and 24% of our social events in the four Washington counties or within 2 miles

of the Columbia River on the Oregon side.

- 4) The ORPCA Board's primary objective is to look out for the benefit and service of all PCA members in the region. The Board has a grave concern that forming a new region would significantly reduce the number of drives and social events available to our Washington members. The key objective of a new region should be to increase the benefits for members, not to reduce them.
- 5) The ORPCA Board proposed to Les that he could form a chapter of ORPCA in the Washington counties served by the Oregon Region. This would allow for members in the area to meet and work on events without having to go through the time and expense of forming and running an official PCA Region. The chapter could build up a volunteer base that would be able to exceed the current level of drives and events. Les was not supportive of that idea.
- 6) To form a new region at least two thirds of all PCA members in the proposed new region need to vote for the formation of a new region.
- 7) If PCA grants the charter to the new region, then there is a six-month period for the leadership to complete the formation of the new region. If the region formation is not completed within this period, the PCA Executive Council will review the status of the request and determine if it should continue.
- 8) PCA members in the new region would still have the option to remain in ORPCA.

To support the Zone 6 Representative and PCA National in deciding whether to approve forming a new PCA Region, we ask for your feedback. Please vote within the next 30 days. The voting form allows you to give additional feedback, what we would appreciate. Please don't vote several times, as votes casted multiple times will be voided.

Please follow this link to vote and to provide your feedback: [New Region Questionnaire](#)

Thanks for your help!



Peg Ryan
[ORPCA President](#)

Attachment: Letter of Mr. Les Schreiber

Dear Oregon PCA Members.

April 12, 2023

My name is Les Schreiber, and I am a member of Oregon PCA and live in Vancouver, WA
The reason for this letter, is that I want to organize and start a PCA Region here in Washington (Southwestern Washington)

So many of the Oregon PCA events are all in Oregon, and they have asked for inputs from us, as to scheduling events in Washington, but very few have occurred.

A lot of their events have been held in Oregon, and well supported, but again, to participate in drives or other events, they all occur in the Portland area, which is a long starting point for us.

A little background on me, I have been a PCA Member since 2005 and have been driving a 2012 Porsche Carrera S (Aqua Blue Mantellic), and have participated in Porsche Parades, Autocross at PCR, and have been Zone 7 Concourse Chair (4 years), PCA Membership Chair and President (2 Times) of Loma Prieta (LPR)club in San Jose, CA.

LPR was started with a small group of Porsche enthusiast and had to talk with two other Regions to convince them to give up part of their Region, in order to form LPR (Monterey Ray Region and Redwood Region) As it turned out Monterey Ray Region was the only one to give up part of their region (Loma Prieta mountains area) So a Region was started, and now as about 300 members.

We have over 70 people register in PCA on this side of the river to form a new Region, and I think we can find enough people to do this.

I have talked with our Zone Rep, and the National PCA Secretary to get a membership roster of PCA Members in the Oregon Region and I have talked with the Oregon PCA President about this also but have not been successful.

There is some opposition from Oregon, as I think, they don't want to lose members.

To start a Region, it takes some paperwork, which I have started, and at least 25 members.

Those being President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership chair. Most of these are suggested to be a Two-year commitment and are voted on by the members.

As a start, I am willing, in this start up, to take the position of President, but will also concede it to anyone that wants the position.

Normal duties of the various offices are

President- Schedule and conduce Monthly meeting (Can be in person or Zoom)

Vice-President- Assist in scheduling tours, drives, parties, celebrations, etc. Notify PCA of planned tours and receive for tours PCA's Wavers

Secretary- Take notes of the meeting and publish to members (This can be taken via tape recorder for ease of accuracy) and submit to the board for approval or corrections.

Membership Chair- Present membership reports to the board (Membership chair receives report from PCA headquarters the 1st of the month) And also provides new membership badges.

Treasurer- Receives money quarterly from PCA for percentage of region membership.

There can be more member for a board, but these are the essential.

Biggest concern is to have volunteers to accept these positions/responsibilities, but none of them take too much of your time. I hope we have a lot of people who like to help, as we are Porsche people.

There is no additional cost to start a Region, if you have paid PCA your good- it's just a change in your membership.

Another item, as a PCA Member you can participate in any PCA Region event, like Porsche Parades, Autocross, and other PCA activities.

Things to decide:

What do we call the Region? I suggest "Northwestern Washington"

What will be our logo?

If we hold a meeting, where? It can be held in different places or by Zoom

If we want to publish a newsletter, or membership roaster, who would do it? It's not necessary.

In anything that is required I can get help or provide help in just about all areas, so if this sounded like something you would like to do, please, either e-mail me, call me, or drop e a line.

All suggestions are welcome and appreciated.

If you like to meet somewhere to go over all of this before we apply, please contact me.

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