

# MI Outdoor Recreation Advisory Council

## AGENDA

December 4 - 5, 2019

MEDC, 300 N Washington Square, Lansing, MI 48913

### December 4 (optional pre-meeting activities)

Michigan Boating Industries Association is honoring ORAC member Patti Smith as part of their annual [Recreation Boating Education Conference](#) (Dec 4 and 5 at the Downtown Lansing Radisson Hotel. Awards dinner is at 5:4 p.m. RSVP required.

The [Midwest Representatives Association's December Market](#) show at the Lansing Center downtown. Brad will speak at MRA's business meeting at 6 p.m. on Dec. 4.

### December 5 ORAC Business Meeting

9:30 Welcome, Introductions and Public Comment 15 min  
*Chris MacInnes and Suzanne Miller-Allen, co-chairs*

9:45 Office of Outdoor Rec: Report on Activities and Approach 45 min.  
*Brad Garmon, Director, and Lauren Branneman, MEDC*

10:30 Battle over Backcountry – and What it Means for Michigan 50 min.  
*David Ollila, Marquette Backcountry Skis, 100K Ideas, and Skypoint Ventures*  
<https://www.outsideonline.com/2405311/backcountry-com-lawsuits-amends>

11:20 Break for short walk to lunch at MP Social in the Marketplace  
*Walk along Lansing River Trail past Lansing City Market, Rotary Park*

11:45 Lunch panel – Outdoor Rec. Industry's Role in Downtown Revitalization  
*Samantha Harkins, Deputy Mayor; Pat Gillespie, developer; Paul Brogan, River Town Adventures*  
<https://www.lansingcitypulse.com/stories/empty-lansing-city-market-raises-questions-over-riverfront-vision,13522>

12:30 Next Steps/2020 Planning for ORAC and Outdoor Office 90 min.  
*Brad Garmon, Director and Lauren Branneman, MEDC*

2:00 Adjourn

Note: for anyone interested, the [Michigan State Waterways Commission](#) will be meeting at 2:30 p.m. at the nearby Radisson Hotel, 111 N. Grand Ave., Capitol 3 Room