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In response to the unique nature of Cascadia for the use of Earth Fall as a campaign environment within in Universal Tales, it became obvious a single booklet was not enough. Part-II contains fuller sections, providing more in-depth detail of a variety of subjects.

Business

Cascadia enacted many changes to policies for companies as the Former U.S. broke up so to create a more thriving environment for truly smaller and midsize enterprises to prosper, and not just fight for scraps.. What was accepted in the past as "Everyone paying their fair share" and "Fair playing field" were seen as anything but fair, since what was truly meant was those with more will pay more taxes and large companies were able to suppress smaller ones. For these are other reasons, many changes were implemented.

Public traded stocks have been seen as one of the major contributing factors in national and global economic collapse, where the stock price levels became the controlling element of a company's activities over producing a better product or service, with rising stock prices not in balance with the economy of the nation, breaking the foundation.

Business companies thrive at all levels in Cascadia, despite what outsiders would say about social medicine, high level levies, no public stocks, restrictive collective bargaining and lack of mega-companies. What doesn't happen, is the wide discrepancy between those with more money and those with less. There are a wide range of companies and they employ many people.

In that light, Cascadia made changes to the handling of company ownership. The ownership of all companies are divided into shares and the ownership of the shares are registered with the *National Economic Commission*. The following are a few of the relation and responsibility of the owners and the company, as well as other effects.

Also see Employment, Levies and Manufacturing in this section.

- Shares in Cascadian companies must be citizens of Cascadia. No foreign national may ever own shares in a Cascadia company. Owner of shares (see Shareholder in this entry) must hold the shares for no less than a year and a day before they may sell it. This is to reduce fast profit taking and Ponzi Schemes, as well as encourage pride of company ownership. Pump & Dump schemes would have a harder time functioning with a year and a day ownership requirements.
- Hostile takeovers and greenmail would not function so easily
 with the current Cascadian ownership policy of 70% agreement
 to sell stocks to any particular person. Only Cascadian citizens
 may own stocks, not other companies or foreign nationals.
 Those having less than 70% may feel it's as hostile if they don't
 agree; though unless there is legal misbehavior, they have no
 recourse.
- No foreign company may do direct business within Cascadia. Foreign companies from Alley/Trade Nations (see separate entry) may conduct business with Cascadian enterprised, and that company provides the product to citizens within Cascadia. Cascadia holds national sovereignty very high.
- Private Trade Companies came into existence for brokering ownership of companies. These brokerages must be registered with the National Economic Commission. Their fee percentage is restricts to no more than 15% of the transferred prices of ownership. The buyer pays 1.5% Levy of the transfer price to the National Economic Commission, through the Treasury Bank.
- Private persons occasionally holding sales of their personal belongings on their property (such as yard or garage sales) on not considered a business and is not levied. Such events on business properties or for a business is considered income for the business and must be tracked as such.
- Many of the policies set by Parliament were drafted to bring business to local level within Cascadia and favor smaller enterprise to break the hold that mega-corporations had in

- the past global and *Former U.S.* making it extremely hard for family business to survive.
- Many Edicts were enacted to discourage large conglomerates that would hamper smaller companies, encouraging people, freinds and families to form enterpizes.
- Owner income from the company is based on the number of shares, and shares are paid equally by *Parliament* decree.
- Entertainers and services, including prostitutes (see prostitutes separately in the section for details) are subject to business income Levy.
- International companies may not function within Cascadia.
 This is seen as an isolationist attitude, but it does prevent such conglomerate taking over business with the nation and
- Levy rate increases for Broad Scope companies allow smaller businesses to function locally, providing greater personal service and quality inexpensive products and resist being wrestled out of business by larger, more wide spread companies. See Levies and Revenue in this section.
- No company shall gain funding or subsidies from the government. Certain protections intended from the past are taken on by purchasing levels at the County/Shire Homes.
- The government maintains a variety of factories to produce the goods it needs to lower operating costs of governance. Contracts of Cascadia to private Cascadia companies limited. See Government Affairs section.
- Any untruthful practice is prosecutable as Fraud, investigated by the Sheriffs or Marshals and handle by Magistrates. See Legal Affairs section. The Star Chamber does not allow attorneys to complicate the meaning of this.
- Corporate giants created greater revenue in the Former U.S. and laws favored their existence, allowing their supremacy over smaller outfits, who were stuck with taking scraps. Cascadia Parliament set Grand Edicts from the beginning to prevent such behavior. Although there are some loss of national revenue, the ease on the companies allowing smaller outfits to prosper and families to own their own companies benefiting the nation as a whole
- With the health coverage, unemployment protections, retirement, etc. removed from corporate control, the leverage of larger corporations had over smaller ones were removed.
- Parliament Edict set minimal benefit levels for employees. See employment in this section.
- Each private business is registered within the Home County/ Shire and Province their primary office is located. Any income gained is declared, and 12% is paid at County/Shire level. See revenue in the section for other Levy details. Also see Shareholders in this entry for the Share Declaration Agreement.
- License of the business may be suspended for complaints that
 is found criminal, such as fraud and breach of contract. If
 the business is found at fault, all owners of the business are
 responsible and faces charges, even for criminal acts.
- Stock exchanges were discontinued during the foundation of Cascadia, and public trading of company stocks abolished. The practice was seen primarily to make a class of wealthy people whose only function was to profit off others in trading of the stocks, having no true interest in the product or service of the company. The exchanges were replaced by Stock Brokerages.





Business (cont.):

- Social Conviction Companies (including biblical outlets, churches, temples, kosher deli's, etc.) that cater to specific groups of people are not considered harassment for not catering to people of other practices. This does not provide grounds to deny goods and services to others they would give to others. Patrons shall not expect a kosher deli to add cheese to a meat sandwich. The sandwich to go would be sold, even understanding cheese may be added at another location. A cake decorator is not expected to add profanity, even if requested; though, the purchaser of the cake could do so themselves or have another person do so.
- Stocks in a company may be used as *collateral for loans* and credit. This needs the approval of 70% of the company shareholders. The owners of the loan company—not the company itself—would become the beneficiary of the stocks should there be a full default, and must be allocated in the contract. Collateral stocks on default would not fully transfer for one complete season after the default and the original owners have that long to correct the default and bring the contract up-to-date. Should the stocks transfer to new ownership, they are subject to the year and a day ownership before they themselves may sell such and are subject to other *Edicts* related to stockholder ownership.
- If in *Debt Default*, the shares may not be transferred and tell the year and a day of ownership. The debt (including any penalties) may be brought up to date at any time before then.
- National/International Distribution companies working with local companies (even owned by the same people) could limit the Broad Scope Levy payment. Products/services pricing between such company is solely their prerogative, though pricing must be declared and reported, and follow all Edicts, with ledger verification on request by official government auditors. If gross pricing does not relate consistently with reported wages, salaries, shareholder payments, property levies, etc., the National Economic Commission may conduct further scrutiny, conducting audits to ensure compliance.
- A trend to resurrect past companies, such as Pan American, Woolworths, etc. had limited success, and others continued his Cascadian companies with other nations having the same name for similar company, evolving from their root company. Any imported products from matching company names must have a different distinction of the product names.
- Passing inheritance is important to the founders of Cascadia, and this included company ownership. Stockholders would register the beneficiary of the stocks who had to be legally able to accept them. This does not require the normal 70% owners agreement for the transfer.

Bankruptcy: Filing protection holds the debt in suspension without penalties for one year and a day, allowing the company to regain stability. The company is still responsible for the debts and interests are still applied. Only penalties are delayed.

If after that time they are unable to do so, selling company property and stocks may be necessary. Stock sales may not be sold before the normal year and day of maturity.

Benefits: Employment benefits are used to entice superior performance and loyalty as it has in the past. There are a variety of minimums set by Parliament decree. *See Employment and Guilds & Unions*.

Bonds: This is a prevelent avenue for private companies (as well as the government) to raise capital. Where shares of any Cascadian company are possessed by Cascadian citizens, bonds may be purchaced by any person or entity, Cascadian or foreign. In this way the company may gain outside funding and keep control of the company in Cascadia and in the hands of the citizens.

Also see Shareholders in this entry.

<u>**Business Classes:**</u> Cascadia distinguishes a variety of types of business and sets them into Classes. Most fall under Class-A. Others have products of services that may be consider of higher health or social risk

See Revenue in this section for levied rates.

- If a company sells a product of a higher Class, all income of the company is levied at that level. A separation of the property is needed to distinguish one class to another. This is in place to restrict access from those unable to purchase such products or services, as well as simplify levy collection and control.
- The higher levy of classes have a higher levy rate to help offset health and enforcement costs. See Revenue in this section for rates

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<u>Class-A</u>: Products or services is deem relatively harmless to the citizens and environment. Not direct additional Levies are set at this level.

Class-B1: Products/services are seen to have minor health and environmental risk cost to the nation, more so than Class-A, holding a higher levy rate, and includes construction, beers, wines, wine cooler, marijuana, prostitution and such. Use of recycling packaging and serving material (as opposed to recirculated packaging). An additional 6% in set to the levy to offset costs for the Bureau of Health, Bureau of Parks & Wilderness and other agencies that would have to deal with a cumulative effect of these practices, gaining equal distribution between affected agencies and Parliamentary Discretionary Fund

<u>Class-B2</u>: Products/services are considered a higher risk factor, including spirits/liqueurs, smoking tobaccos, etc. Use of disposable and recycling packaging as opposed to recirculated packaging. An additional 6% in set (*see Class-B1*).

<u>Class-B3</u>: Products/services this is of the highest risk factor and include explosives. An additional 9% in set (*see Class-B1*).

Broad Scope Companies: This is any company with offices, shops, etc. beyond a single *County/Shire*. Companies within one *County/Shire* may conduct calls and business transactions beyond the *County/Shire*, as long as they don't have their own facilities or offices there.

See Revenue in this section for details and levies.

Capital Bank/Institution: With the need for a conduit for Cascadia treasury banks (see government agencies) and the general populace for circulation of currency (see separate a entry in this section), private bank institutions, credit unions and such are businesses that citizens may have account holdings within and function through the Cascadian Treasury Banks and able to borrow monies as needed for a nominal fee to bring needed currency into circulation. These banks/facilities institutions function as a business and all levies apply.

<u>Capital Venture Firms</u>: Provide financial support to new companies for a contracted return on their investments. One of the largest is the *Norton-Balkin-Keller (NBK) Capitals*.



<u>Chain Companies</u>: As a means for some companies to skirt around Broad Scope Levies, owners set up *Chain Companies* (not franchises). In practice; national owners have shares in each of the more local companies under a very similar, related name and set of standards. Local owners/managers operate each of the companies for the national owners.

As long as the *Chain Companies* do not become overbearing, this practice of company management is acceptable, since they are considered Independent Companies locally. National owners have full legal responsibility for all their individual *Chain Companies*. Also, owners of *Chain Companies* generally have higher income, paying higher amount of levies on their higher earnings.

<u>Charitable Companies</u>: See Charity & Charitable Companies area in this entry.

<u>Commercial Lobbyist Foundation</u>: Overseen by the *National Economics Commission*, having specific <u>Edicts</u> related to these organizations, these Foundations are registered as advocacies for business, and would generally represent a collection of companies. By <u>Parliamentary</u> decree, these are not to interact or interfere with <u>Independent Companies</u> or <u>Employee Guilds</u>. These are companies, and as such would comply to all related <u>Edicts</u>.

Also see league of commerce in this area for their role with foreign trade Cascadian companies.

Companies: See further in this area.

<u>Company Alliances</u>: Local companies forming groups support, or collective unions, is considered an alliance, and subject to all aspects therein.

Also see monopolies in this area.

<u>Company Liquidations</u>: At times, companies and may have the need to sell off some or all of the assets of the company.

- Assets may be sold as normal with the sales levied as a standard sale.
- A company being completely liquidated, selling all assets, to another company, or as a merging would be handled as any sales of the stocks.

Company Merging: Like other aspects of business, Cascadia set Edicts to reduce hostile environment of business that had been seen in the past. Merging companies have to be agreed upon by 70% of the ownership by shares of all involved companies.

The *top 240 High Income Companies* (see separate entry in this area) are not allowed to merge or purchase assets from other companies. This is to further limit aggressive behavior from high earning companies – an application that needs to be applied for proactive restraints in order to allow medium and small companies to prosper.

Except for prosecuted criminal actions, no employee of any involved company may be terminated for any reason within 2 full seasons before filing of *Intent to Merge*, or 3 full seasons after the merging (the date the new company name becomes official). After the Merging Settling Time of 3 months, any legacy employee (employees who were part of the prior companies) released shall gain to full seasons of income severance. Those employees released within the 2 full seasons prior to filing shall also gain to full seasons of income at the rate they were released at. These Edicts are to curtail hindering livelihood of employees for the benefit of the companies.

<u>Company Names</u>: When a company is formed, it must be given a unique name to Cascadia and function independently from other companies. Companies may change their name at any time with the agreement of two-thirds stockholders by shares. Such changes must be filed with The National Economic Commission.

If the company is being purchased by citizens of Cascadia for the purpose of merging it with another company they own, the sale of company stocks is done as usual.

Also see Company Liquidations and Company Names.

<u>Company Ownership</u>: As stated in other areas, no company may own other companies. Furthermore, business companies do not have the same civil rights as people.

Companies to own trademarks for their products and services, and outlet names are trademarked. *See Trademarks in the Details & Options section.*

Company Types: Cascadia made considerable changes to defining business company status, bringing ownership responsibility more in focus. Cascadia has some unique distinctions of companies.

- Community companies present themselves as locally owned and operated, showing a more personal connection to the community. These companies must maintain a presence only in a single Township, otherwise be subject to false impressions which would be handled as fraud.
- Independent Companies (see separate entry in this area) are businesses that will not have association with employee guilds or unions due to their employee size or ownership ratio.
- Advocacy Companies are charitable, social, protective, etc., including churches, and have certain responsibilities to citizens for specific benefits. See Charity & collective companies in this section.
- Colleague Companies are businesses mostly owned by a friends, family members and colleagues in a partnership with a charter. Share ownership is established (see Shareholders in this area).
- Investment Companies provides funds for companies with expectations on returns.
- Incorporated companies are not formed in Cascadia, disallowing the rights of people to be extended to businesses, or for companies to own stocks of other companies.





Dual Citizenship Loophole: Early on, businessmen found that they may skirt around the non-foreign ownership by having citizenship in Cascadia and in another nation. Parliament was never able to close it and most saw it a way to hold ties to the global market without having to let foreign nationals have stakes in Cascadian companies.

Though the Cascadian citizen may own companies in other nations, any Cascadian companies they have *Shares* in are fully Cascadian. Trade between Cascadian and foreign nations are treated the same. The value of goods are by the type and of retail value in Cascadia.

Such businesspersons found guilty of criminal act in Cascadia shall pay the penalties of Cascadian *Edicts*. *Alley and Trade Nations* have expeditionary agreements for criminal acts they both view as crimes (having been seen guilty in both nations). Businesspersons found guilty in Cascadia and residing in other nations to avoid verdict will forfeit their *Shares* in the Cascadian company, to be sold though the brokerage system

Employment: See separate entry in this section.

Foreign Entertainers: Due to the nature of foreign entertainers, they may conduct their trade as a contract or with Cascadian companies, payments handled in the usual manner. While in Cascadia, they must conduct to all Cascadian Edicts, and have a valid visa.

<u>Foreign Trade Companies</u>: Though Cascadia does not allow foreign nationals to own stocks of the Cascadian companies, assets or property within Cascadia, other nations do. Cascadia citizens holding citizenship in other nations may have stock in international companies. Cascadian companies may work with foreign companies, creating a union between the companies.

If the Cascadian company aligns with the foreign company, and in effect creating an international corporation, the Cascadian portion must remain distinct. They may not associate with any sort of non-trade/allie nations. In other words, they may not have association with other companies if those companies are conducting businesses with another company that is not *Trade/Allied Nations* with Cascadia.

The distinction of Cascadian portion must be clear, and all *Edicts* shall be followed, and levees paid.

To create a greater balancing of company opportunity and reduce overbearing behavior of more affluent companies, the *Foreign Trade Levy Scale* was established. In his normal function, the Foreign Trade Commission overseas trade and income declaration of the companies.

The income average of all trade companies (rounded up to the next 10 million casdas) becomes the threshold for the *Foreign Trade Levy Scale*. Any income over that amount is levied at 12%, not the normal 9%. Any amount over 2 times that threshold is at 15%, not 12% or 9%. This produces additional revenue for national projects and functions to limit domineering behavior of large business institutions. The *Foreign Trade Commission* oversees proper conduct of businesses.

<u>Franchises</u>: all franchise companies are treated as a whole with local outlets as part of the whole and the company had quarters are the responsible for all the levees including the broad scope company Levy.

<u>Government Aquisition/Projects</u>: See Government Affairs section.

<u>Government Partnerships</u>: See National Partnership Committees in the National Agency portion of the Government Affairs section.

<u>Guilds & Unions</u>: Depending on the size and ownership, companies may be required to have collective Guild representation of the employees. See separate entry in this section.

High Income Companies: The top 240 earning company shall not be allowed to merge or to purchase assets from companies – including Trademarks (*see separate entry in the Details & Options section*). This is to further limit aggressive behavior from high earning companies – an application that needs to be applied for proactive restraints in order to allow medium and small companies to prosper.

To be added on the *High Income Companies List*, the company would have had been at the highest earning for the prior 2 seasons. It takes twice as long for companies that fell under the threshold to be removed from the list.

To prevent chaotic on-off list registry effects, any company that had

been added to the *High Income Companies List* will remain so for no less than 4 seasons after their earnings dropped below the 240 company threshold. In this way, at any time, there will likely be more than 240 companies on the list.

High income companies may purchase goods and services from smaller companies, enabling a cooperative cohesion, as long as there is no other limitations supplied for such business coordination.

<u>Human Resources</u>: This term is discourage for its implication that people are an asset or material to be control. See Employment in this section for this and other terms.

Import & Export: Cascadia hold several conditions through *Edict* from *Parliament* for trading with foreign nations and may only be done with *Alley or Trade Nations* (see separate entry). No company may do business with non-trace nations.

Foreign trade does take place, and though many claim Cascadia as isolationists, it does allow most any products to be brought in and out. What it does not allow is foreign control of Cascadia companies.

See Revenue in this section for tariffs on imports.

- Foreign persons or entities may not hold stock, shares or any stakes within Cascadian companies whatsoever. Cascadian companies may trade with foreign companies within the guidelines set by *Edicts*.
- International trade is conducted under Envoy supervision.
 Import tariffs are collected to compensate cost for monitoring and inspections.
- Companies having direct import and/or exports with other nations are considered a *Foreign Trade Company* and are subject to the *Broad Scope Levy*.
- Foreign Trade Commission monitors and regulates imports/ exports as well as inspecting port facilities and transport vessels. Marshals and Sheriffs also have legal jurisdiction to ensure compliance with Edicts.
- Rathdrum (near Spokane, Coulee Province) and Redding (Pacifica Province) are the 2 continental import-export centers within Cascadia. All trade in and out of Cascadia will go through those 2 centers. Overseas trading is through designated ports, including Everett, Tacoma, Portland, Eureka, etc.

Income: See separate entry in this section.



Independent Companies: Businesses that are not associated with employee collective guilds/unions due to size or ownership ratio (see Guild & Unions in this section), may not be approached, harassed or otherwise coerced in any way, and are protected by *Edicts* from *Parliament* from such interventions.

Since *National Partnership Companies* are, by proxy, owned by all citizens, the owner ratio qualification for independent companies is met and will not be associated with any employment guild or union.

<u>Industry Phase-Out</u>: There are times in history when profitable industry became obsolete or environmentally unstable. Parliament set avenues for owners and employees to phase from such industries to maintain the well-being of citizens during the transitions.

- Liquidation of a company within industries being phased out are distributed to the owners equally based on shares.
- At times, Parliament would declare an industry as harmful to the environment and phase out proceedings would take place. The focus is on the livelihood of employees and their stability. Owners of companies harmful to the environment would do well to protect the environment, and in doing so their company.
- During transition, employees and prior owners may become pensionaries at the next CCP level above the average declared income to the civil retirement-insurance fund, performing a position within the area – creating such an positions if necessary for their stability. They may also attend college with standard government loads applied if necessary, or be part of government internship.

<u>Innovations</u>: Business research loans may be obtained through government or private lending institutions. Subsidies and grants are not issued from the government, having been shown in the past as favoring specific groups and persons, presenting a corruptible atmosphere.

See Innovations and X-Prize competition in the Science & Technology section. Also see Civil Loans-Banking Services in the Details & Options section.

<u>Internet Sales</u>: As long as the company mails the product from post office within the county of the company, to any location, even overseas, the company is not considered *Broad Scope* as long as their store sales are within the region they are registered.

Investment Companies: A variety of these institutions provide finance business services. Being a company of there own, investment companies have stockholders and would comply to all such *Edicts*. Investors have generally 2 routes to apply fundings to a company; shareholdings or contractual.

Shareholding investment would gain a number of shares for their investment with the company and be assigned to persons in the investment company as Trustee, functioning much like the government trustees of National Partnership Companies. Trustees will have full responsibility associated with the function.

Contractual investment is done in a similar manner as mutual fund investments (see Mutual Investment Companies in this area) and our private contracts. Citizens wishing to become part of investing in companies may use Mutual/Public Investment Companies.

Also see Mutual/Public Investment Companies in this section.

Labor: Cascadia discourages this term as much as *human resources* in that they imply people as equivalent to commodities, materials, assets, goods, articles, etc. "Practitioner" or "Employee" are preferable. See him employment for other details.

<u>Lawsuits</u>: Setting lawsuits to *Complaints* (*see separate entry*) limits non-criminal damages, preventing undue hardship on smaller companies, allowing them to compete without the high cost of insurances, which only benefited the insurers and lawyers.

~ Saving Monkeys From Gorillas ~

The harm of majority rule and the application of restrictive doctrines imposed on smaller, minority groups and companies are harmful to those smaller collective of people. Governments must curtail the influence of majority, mob rule; preventing coercing, harassment and harmful practices against smaller groups of people and companies:

To keep 800 pound gorillas from beating up little monkeys,

larger groups and companies must be restricted from applying their views on others, which suppresses diverse prosperity, concepts and thinking.





League of Commerce: Established in 2056 as a cooperative venue for foreign trade businesses (Cascadia businesses conducting international trade) and is overseen by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and other agencies. The League is a conduit between government officials and companies, as well as a venue to settle disputes.

- Envoys represent all foreign trade companies. Due to the number
 of companies and associations, envoys are not expected to visit
 all of them. Certain amount of company favoritism is expected,
 and would be impossible to prevent, since it comes to views,
 perspective and opinions. With 18 seats up for changes each 5
 years, rotation would be common. With 18 seats available each
 5 years, company coordination for specific candidates would be
 harder to achieve across all seats within the League.
- Elections are held each 5 years, with 1/3rd of the League seats (18) open for replacement. Each company gains 3 votes to be used for 3 candidates of their choosing. All the candidates would have to be registered by the end of March of odd years (2070, 2075, etc.). To be listed on the ballots, a candidate must gain signatures of 15 CEO (company presidents, etc.) of the trade companies. A good amount of candidates would be expected. The 18 candidates with the most votes in their favor become envoys to the League.
- The League is set with 54 Commerce Envoys, each having 15-year advocacy terms. Envoys are selected by vote of all Cascadian foreign trade companies Using an adaptation of the Central States election process. Citizens interested in the position submits their desire through the League. Envoys often comes from the Commercial Lobbyist Foundations (see separate entry in this area) who represents a collection of companies. Each company member of the League gains 3 votes for electing a group of 18 candidates each 5 years.
- Funding for the League comes from the companies at 0.15% of full income of the companies.

Levies: See Levies and Revenue in this section.

Monopolies: Parliament has tasked the National Economic Commission to monitor businesses for monopoly behavior. If a company is seen to have singular position in a region, lacking suitable competition, they may be directed to divide into portions based on the next lower Broad Scope regional division (see Revenue in this section).

- Cascadia does not tolerate any hint of monopolization, and the National Economics Commission ensures companies are not in such a position.
- To further prevent antitrust/monopoly behavior, no National or Foreign Trade Company manufacturing/producing products of any type, including automobiles, fuel, etc.) may directly sell to the public through any form of outlet store, station, mail delivery, internet, etc. No owners (or their spouses or children) of such companies may be the owner of National or Foreign Trade Companies that are outlets. This does not restrict other relations. The intent of these policies is to also limit dynasty behavior. This does not restrict owners or their close relations of lesser (Provincial or County/Shire) companies from having ownership of manufacturing/production and outlets (e.g.; a national auto manufacturer could sell products to a child's provincial company without violating antitrust Edicts). This is to broaden the company ownership with citizens of Cascadia. Antitrust Edicts are specific about such matters and violators will face criminal charges.
- Any company importing or exporting with other nations is considered a *Foreign Trade Company*. Lesser regional companies receiving imports from a national or foreign trade distributor are not considered national, though the distributor company is and may not be owned by the same people.
- These antitrust policies, as well as Broad Scope Levies, are to lessen pressures on smaller, local companies, allowing them to thrive in a competitive market where larger companies would normally overshadow and cripple such smaller businesses.

 Smaller, local companies may allow larger companies to produce products based on intellectual properties, gaining royalties, without violating antitrust or broad scope policies.

Mutual/Public Investment Companies: These companies are mutual fund companies, and as in the past, may have citizens investing monies, creating returns to those applying monies to these funds. Edicts from Parliament have strict regulations on these companies and are overseen by a variety of Cascadian government agencies, incuding the National Economics Commission.

With the removal of stock market trading, the ownership of companies becoming specific to a person or civil partnership of all Cascadian citizens, mutual funds of the past had considerable transformations, becoming investment companies.

- When investing in a company, the mutual fund company apply specific money related to the number of stocks in the company they are investing. For example; an investment of C£12.00 per share to a company with 300,000 shares would be C£3.8 million, with 4% seasonal income returns for 6 years, where 4% of the invested company income goes to the investment company for each season for the 6 years). The invested company is expected to return the initial investment by the end of the contract, doing so in increments usually starting mid contract, though may be in other convenient manners. Contracts may vary, and investment companies may be in competition in this way. Such contracts need 2/3rd agreement by share owners of both investment and invested companies.
- Individual member investors shall gain half the company returns percentage for the season. Say the member has C£73,000 in the fund, and that fund has a seasonal return of 4.3% as a whole, the member gains 2.15% on the C£73,000, +C£1,169.5. The other half is to the company. This return is considered income and is registered as such with levees paid. The investment is not otherwise levied, and is owned by the individual investor.
- Investment companies have monies tied up in other companies they are invested in and members are not able pull their entire portion immediately. By Edicts though, a member may withdraw 5% of their portfolio value each month, not to exceed 10% for a season. Should they wish to liquidate their portfolio value, the value is frozen at that time and the mutual company has 10 full seasons to pay the member's full value at 10% per season.
- Mutual investment members are not directly responsible for legal matters of these companies, and are represented through the *Bureau of National Partnerships*.
- These companies shall give returns evenly credited based on the member's contribution.

<u>National Companies</u>: Large *National* and *Foreign Trade Companies* have special requirements to prevent monopolizing practices, including not able to directly sell to the public if they manufactured goods.

See Monopolies in this area. Also see National Partnership Committees in the National Agency portion of the Government Affairs section.



<u>National Partnership Companies</u>: Cascadia government may be partnered within a company. See National Partnership Committees in the Government Affairs section.

Nonprofit Business: Cascadia found company ownership in the past used this standing to avoid taxes, yet having personally profited from them. It was decided in Cascadia the conduct of *Advacacy Companies* (charitable, social, aide, faith, etc.) would be treated in most ways as all businesses. There are specific responcibilies and partial *Levy* reduction. *See Charity & Charitable Companies for detailes*.

Research Loans: Government loans for innovations are at a fairly low rate. *See Civil Loans-Banking Services in the Details & Options section.* Private companies and banks also provides loans, with the governance loan otions providing a compition reference.

Reporting: Each company is required to file a *Seasonal Company Report* that would include sections on Gross Income (verifiable with separate ledger and receipts), company salary-wage statement (the paid income to owners/employees for the period), Bonuses, etc. These reports become public record, Without Employee Breakdown List.

Shareholders: Shareholders are the owners of the company's and are personally responsible for all matters of the business. Shares must be owned for 1 year and 1 day before it may be sold.

Public traded stocks have been eliminated, due to the volatile nature and the ability for wealthiest investors to manipulate markets, no matter the regulations applie. Stoke marketing also removed pride of ownership, focusing on stock pricing for froffit grabbing.

Due to moment to moment price fluctuations of stocks, volatility is created in the stock market environment. The notion of "public stock" becomes lost in that environment. For this and other reasons, Cascadia created a brokerage trading mechanism, requiring longer possession of stocks

Throughout history and into the 21st Century, stock market trading has been a venue for the wealthy to gain personal profits, or to abtain control of companies without the obligation of responsibility (stock holders of the past were not respable for conduct of the companies), manipulating personal gains in the trading of such stocks.

In Cascadia, the company's ownership is by the stocks of the companies and are owned by actual people and not entities. No company may own shares of another company.

See Bonds in this entry for company debt. Also see Commodities Market in this section for future stocks. Also see Secuity Market.

- Share Brokerages are companies that facilitates deals of company stocks from the current owner and the buyer, licenced and overseen by the Nation Economics Commission. These brokerages are not needed to make a deal, and Parliament's Edicts on the matter was set fairly simple for private deals to be done without a great amount of education.
- The selling a stock to a buyer has to have the approval of at least 70% of stockholder shares, including the seller. This is to reduce hostile takeovers of a company. Also, changing Home Office locations require an acceptance of at least 70% of shareholders.
- The Share Declaration Agreement is filed with the Nation Economics Commission and sets the owners and share amounts. The initial filing would be in agreement with all parties. Once the company is registered, any changes requires the agreement of at least 70% of the current owners. As mentioned, this is to prevent hostile takeovers of the company by persons most object to.
- Share grants is a common manner to give bonuses to members
 of a company showing dedication. A new *Share Declaration*Agreement must be filed with the approval of at least 70% of
 the original stock holders.
- Many companies continued the practice of categorizing shares
 into a variety of classifications; usually marked as Class-A/B/
 C/etc., and often are related to voting options; ownership or
 employee options; owner, investor or common stock; and such.
 If a company chooses this option, those having ownership
 relation to the stocks are responsible for the company, and the
 percentage of their responsibility is based on the number of

- votes they have compared to other owners. This option is not a way for owners to skirt around their responsibilities for their company.
- Business Management Companies had been created by some groups of people to manage several of their companies to slip around the "people stock ownership rule." These companies are handled as a service company, and are subject to all business levies and edicts. They often provide shared accountants, administration, retained attorneys, etc., even functioning as investment agencies.
- Inheriting stocks does not require the 70% approval of stockholders. Beneficiaries of the stock must retain such stocks for the full year and one day before selling. This prevents others from pressing grieving persons into making rash decisions, and still falls under the time restaint of Shareholding.
- Trustees may be hired to maintain company stocks for the owners. The trustee (many Stock Trustee Companies provide this service) bears legal responsibility for their actions, though the owner of the stock is responsible for directions, and those directions may have legal ramifications. Trustee companies are not considered the owners of the entrusted stocks and only manage such stocks for the actual owner.
- The total share quantity shall be an even division of 10. Any changes to the Declaration shall be with the approval of no less than 70% of shareholder (e.g.; at 30 total shares, owners of 21 shares having the agreement). This *Parliamentary Edict* is to reduced hostile takeovers of companies.
- All owners are shareholders. If there is one owner, there may be just 10 shares at 100% of the company. The number of share is to be an even 10 for ownership, so to create the 70% agreements. Shares declaration is the root of registered ownership agreed on by all parties at the foundation of the company. All parties sign the declaration. For any changes to be valid 70% of the shares must be in agreement and a new share declaration presented to the *National Economic Commission*.





Stock Ownership/Brokers: See Shareholders in this entry.

Subsidies: See own entry in this section.

Tariffs: See Revenues in this section.

Utilities: See its own entry in this section.

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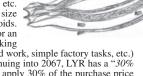
A few of the notable companies are presented here further below. Though many comanies evolved from companies that existed in the Former U.S., they would be solely Cascadian. Also see national partnership committees in the Government affairs section for companies with Government partnership.

- Alpine Autos- is an automobile company, headquartered in Vancouver, Columbia Province. They produced the Neptune series automobile, a regular vehicle with easily replaceable sections to allow the use and conduct repair (TR service for small and midsize trucks). Titon-Ranger is a large truck. They also have the Roadster-Mark-UX2 (sports), Visa-MK (touring sadan), Vector-III (sports), ZDolphin-111, VT-Wagon (full-size station wagon), High Alpine (cruise wagon), DS-121 (ergonomic eco-urband/suburban) and other alpha-number models (MX43 for a sporty model, LV2 for a luxury model, etc.), VLT (crew van), Python-2A (sports), etc.
- Apollo Air-Space Ventures grew from the absence of regional aerospace companies that floundered during the breakup. This company produces airships, aircraft and extraterrestrial vehicles, having high standards.
- Columbia Autos produces the Enterprise (urban crosswagan), Grand Surveyor (multiterrain), Pegasus-VII (urban runabout), Saber-VXI (sport), Buffalo (heavy duty trucks), Mammoth (track-trailer rigs), Antelope (sports), Gazelle (sport), NW Tour Cruiser (luxury sedan), Northern Aurora (luxury), Hercules (high-performance sports car, "a car to out run the meteor"), Jade L43 (a highly sought after classic car style of the L-series builds in 2043), the Jade M54 is also popular model built to 2054. Mayan 278 (high-performance sports carrum, still one of the more popular models since 2058)
- Fueling stations are more often locally owned, though due to the nature of refineries, gain fuel from distributors. Some distributors (like Gateway Fuels R&D) hold high standards for the station to retain their reputation. Other companies claim it's overrated. Also see Soaring-G Petrol Station.
- Gateway Fuels Refinery & Distribution (R&D) has a good reputation, distributing only to stations with high standards, allowing their logo to be displayed at those establishments.
- Global Genetics Lab (Glogen Lab) is a United American company that has research relation within Cascadia.
- Goldston Foundation set up just before the disappearance of Marissa Goldston, this private company—worth 248 billion in 2067 and ranked 17th largest Cascadian companies—owning property throughout Cascadia. They also hold civil and private company bonds. This company provides funding to citizen for business ventures, as well as brokering share trading.
- Great Affections, founded in 2019 by Marissa Goldston, with Beckie Stratus joining in 2023, producing a variety of sensual/ erotic material, including a full line of clothing under the name Full of Love Apparel for very full figured women. This company bought the Full & Plenty magazine (fictional), first published in Omaha in 2007, moving to San Diego in 2019 and then to Grand Ronde, Oregon, in 2022 when Marissa began taking it over, where it remained), renaming it to Lovable Full & Plenty, continuing the classier, non-hard presentation of highly womanly models in a variety of dress and undress.



Business (cont.):

- Great American Autos is a United America company, producing a variety of models imported into Cascadia, then sold by local dealers
- Larkin-Yamiki Robotics (LYR, pronounced Leer) was founded in Snohomish, Washington State (2014), developing robotic tools (under *LYR* Bots, like mowers), security robotics (-----), toys and pets (under Yamili Bot), etc. By 2030, this company created full size humanoid atomically functional androids. The androids could be programmed for an assortment of tasks and functions (stacking dishes, vacuuming, laundry, some yard work, simple factory tasks, etc.)



- with more evaluation to come. Continuing into 2067, LYR has a "30% on 50% for Upgrade", meaning, they apply 30% of the purchase price of a previous model to 50% of the newer model.
- Karatron produces an assortment of electronics, including communications and computers.
- Morrell-Jones Autos (headquartered in Portland, Oregon Province) is known for modular construction of vehicles with more accessible, replaceable units and paneling, allowing for upgrades and restoration as developments occur or sections become damaged or wear out. They produce the K2-VR2 and K2-VR9 (SUV), Everest (SUV), Claymore (sport), Cheetah-VT (fast sport), Mountain-SV Cruiser (SUV), Grand (sport), Cheenier I (last sport), Induntum-SV Chaser (SCV), Orland Pacifica (luxury chiser), Gateway-LLv (luxury Living sedan), Succubus-Stargazer (sporty), Olympic-12 (cross-wagon), Roma-VT (crew van) Conquet III (heavy uttility truck), Athena-LT (luxury currum), Crest Navigator (wagan cruiser), High Vista LM (mid-size station wagon), Danube-II (full-size station wagon), RXT-Fantom (story coup), Appol-RT (sedan), etc.
- MT-Futures ceased to exist when all assets went to form Cascadia
- Norton-Balkin-Keller (NBK) Capitals is one of the largest venture capital companies in Cascadia, providing funding and assistance to upcoming companies
- Olympus Consumer Rating Group is a company that rates consumer products and trends, conducting evaluations and seasonal volumes issued in January, April, July and October. Periodic omnivice ratings are available to annual subscribers.
- Olympic Future Medicine, in Portland, Oregon Province, is leading advancement with cell restoration through gene therapy, extending quality life expectation.
- Seven Hemispheres is a global corporation, headquartered in Chicago (United America), trying to alter Cascadia's views on foreign trade for some time and has been functioning mostly through companies in the Indonesia Territories.
- **Soaring-G Petrol Station** give a nod to the past *Flying-a Gasoline Company* of the Former U.S. and one of the few nationwide fueling station networks. They have their own distribution and refinery, as well as stations, providing service reminiscent to the 1950s Former U.S.
- ${\it Spring~Blossom}$ designs and provides a full line of very affordable clothing for the growing number of very full figured women (having bra up to or higher than K-cup) in a wide range of styles and colors, with 75% ownership passing from *Marissa Goldston* to Hera Livingston (cousin), who shill holds the shares.

Outlets rotate stock regularly between stores to freshen the selections and give overall variety of styles without having to hold large stock on To do this, the network maintains a series of boutique outlets (5,000-15,000 square feet, rarely more) in malls throughout Cascadia.

Size requests are made and the managers have full control of presentation, with some pricing limitations. Customizing outfits are done with local seamstress

They also present the Full of Love Apparel from the Great Affection

- Sunrise Genetics (SunGen), headquartered in Everett, Washington Province, has several departments conduct research and producing a variety of products and methods for health, slowing aging, reducing senility and dementia, mental condition, etc. Longevity Genome Section, Cell Restoration Department, Cancer Genome Section. They also lead the advancement breast enhancement (Mammae Genetics Labs in Snohomish).
- Western Green a company deriving from Norman Grangher, producing farming supplies and equipment.

~ Great Civil Proclamation - VI ~

Clause-I: The right of citizens of Cascadia who has reached the Age of Commitment and shown suitable and reasonable knowledge of governance to vote shall not be denied or abridged. The level knowledge of governance for voting shall not be excessive, and the citizens shall be afforded means to acquire such knowledge in reasonable course of their lives by the time they reach Age of Commitment, or three years after nationalization as a citizen.

Clause-II: The electors who having reached the Age of Commitment and proved citizenship shall show basic understanding of governance and the electoral procedures of the nation, and that understanding shall be at a level of which no less than nine of ten people would comprehend.





Education

All societies educate their citizens to be part of the society. Cascadia continues to take grea efforts to ensure citizens are educated to the level they may function well, finding their best field and having them understand personal responsibility and benefits continue for self-growth, strengthening family-social harmony, equitable prosperity and continuity.

The Foundation Schools (Basic and Expansion) are the primary/secondary, grammar, middle/junior and high schools of the past, and are maintained as Communities within Townships through the Education Commission (see Government Affairs section). Each Foundation School forms the center of Communities within Townships and are networked with other schools. See Communities in the Details & Options section.

Private and home schooling have to hold to the same high standard *Parliament* has set. *Advanced Education* includes collages, universities and trade school.

Education tutelage remained important to the Cascadian population and it handled by the *Counties/Shires* within *Communities* of *Townships* oversight from the *Provincial Councils* subject to the *Council of Education* within the *Bureau of Civil Services*.

Community Foundation Schools are networked. Students would function between 4-7 schools, depending on the network.

~ ~ Education Progression ~ ~

With the clarity that each person has individual strengths, Foundation Schools have the general mandate to ensure each student finds their true natural potential. Instructors, Counselors and Staff would stimulate stutent creativity and growth to prosper within the equitable society of Cascadia. To do this, counselors, instructors and staff guide student's education to recognize strengths without predisposed expectations. The tutelage of students is to stimulate advanced thinking, and provide meaningful knowledge for inquisitive minds.

There are set *Core Knowledge* criteria that each student is expected to have some familiarity, so to function within Cascadia society. To that, they have the availability to Expantion in other knowledge, whether in arts, music, politics, science, business formation, employment ethics, research/development, journalism, trade craft, linguistics, etc., etc., etc.

The motivation of the faculty is to grow each student to their highest potential in their unique qualities, protecting them from false expectations and damaging stigmatism, while fostering healthy competition related to their personal strengths – not predisposed expectations

Private institutions are not to gain government funding. Doing so removes monies from public education system. Furthermore, all private education institutions are *levy 12% of their full income*, the monies going to the funding of public education. Like the rationale for medical institutions, private education institutions favor the higher affluent population. For handling administrative distribution, the national economic commission gains 5% of the collected amount. The rest is transferred to the *Education Commission* for equitable distribution to all the education *Networks*.

~ ~ Foundation Management ~ ~

Foundation Schools: These are the campuses for the education of all citizens of Cascadia (unless in private or home schooling environments), consisting of what would have been know as K-12th grades in the *Former U.S.*, though Cascadia adds a 13th year.

Students attending *Foundation School* are tracked by the number of Years (1st to 13th) within *Tiers I-VI*, as well as *Course Study Level (Core Knowledge I-VI*, roughly associated with *Tiers*) and *Specialty Knowledge Courses I-III* (not matching *Tiers*).

 The goal of Cascadia's Foundation Schools is to help advance the innate quality of the citizen students, building on intrinsic ability and give them routes to thrive within the society and be understanding to wide variety of cultures. It is not the intent to mold the youths into narrow standards. Excepting there inherit attributes and physique, curriculum and programs are custom to that endeavor, no matter expectations of parents, guardians or social group philosophies.

- Foundation Schools are situated within 20 minute drive of 3+ other Foundation Schools, providing transportation between them, the same for students and Rotation Instructors use (see further in the area).
- Each Community School is managed by a Dean and their staff. The Dean structures their staff as they see fit under higher oversight.
- *Kindergarten* (German for '*Children's Garden*') continued into Cascadia as a preliminary preparation school for any citizen child able to socialize and understand instructions, often starting by the age of 5. This is not considered the first year of *Foundation Schools*, though is attached to the administrative area of such schools. The main focus is social integrity and responsibility, establishing roots with communications, cooperation, language, math, etc. Hours are flexible with the parents/guardians, with hours ranging from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The parents/guardians may drop off and pick up their children at their convenience.
- Classes are fluid, usually in study group discussions with short lectures from the primary instructor (the one overseeing the progression of the session) and any Revolving Instructors (see further in the area). The fluid nature allows more interaction with the students, sharing studies and knowledge, testing each other's knowledge with the instructor guiding discussions, adding what is not known
- Funding for schools is managed by the Counties/Shires, overseen by the Provincial Councils and Education Commission through the Bureau of Civil Services. Funding for public Foundation Schools is distributed relitive to the Networks in balance with each school, the number of students in the network and the number of instructors/ classrooms having 22 student.
- Progressive education for instructors are associated with such funding to ensure advanced application to all the students of Cascadia no matter their social-economic situation.
- As seen in the past, overcrowding of classrooms is a problem. Cascadia works to alleviate such problems by targeting 22 students in school averaging within each Network, understanding the overlapping aspects of Networks. Funding is partially based on the ability of each school and Network to achieve the 22 student goal, providing management assistance and oversight to ensure proper education of the students. Classrooms having too few students lacks the interacting levels between students through questioning and perspectives hence the 22 student per instructor/classroom target.
- Determination of funding takes into account the number of students within each of the overlapping networks, the number of instructors/classrooms within the schools and networks and programs for the networks. As with other agencies, request for additional funding will trigger a review of management efficiency.
- *Troubled areas* those schools/networks with low performance will attract an infusion of funding to make improvements. With that in fusion, a team of inspectors and counselors will rotate into the problematic areas for no less than 2 seasons, evaluating management, providing guidance to ensure improvements are achieved. After the initial infusion and guidance, seasonal evaluations will take place and tell it is found to be functioning smoothly.



Education (cont.):

- Cascadia understands the differences the genders have in learning and shape class schedules around that, providing more physical classes interspersed with academic for the boys, in order to handle their more active nature.
- Boarding schools became popular, especially for rural students.
- With the layered flexibility of Foundation Schools, sudents with learning conditions (see Medical entry in this section) gain assistance in normal course of process, including tutoring during normal school time.
- Schools layouts will have 3 general Instruction Areas connected to the Administration Area. Administration area would include cafeteria, library, offices, gym, kindergarten, etc. The 3 general instruction areas are based on Education Tier Standing with Tier-I/II in one section, Tier-III/IV in another, and Tier-V/VI in the third. These areas are adjacent to enable students to advance in the strong subjects, while gaining assistance in weaker subjects without stigmatizing progression issues created from strict grade composition of prior school formats of Europe and the Former U.S.

~ ~ Student Advancments ~ ~

- The general ages/grades for Tier-I would be 6+ (first-third grades); Tier-II at 8+ (third-fifth); Tier-III at 10+ (fifth-seventh); Tier-IV at 12+ (seventh-ninth); Tier-V at 14+ (ninth-eleventh); and Tier-VI at 16+ (eleventh-thirteenth).
- With overlapping grades for the Tier and all Tiers function
 within the same school, students have the community
 relation of education, reflective of more historical times.
 This also allows students to progress in course studies of
 different Tiers according to their academic ability in each.
 More knowledgeable course studies may be at higher Tiers,
 where those they are lagging would be at lower Tiers, with
 each gaining attention as needed.
- Grade references are for general exam and progression schedule the number of years attended by students.
- There is no grading or GPS for the classes or courses.
 Once the student passed Tier Exams for the course, they met
 the requirement and may progress. Private universities and
 colleges may use their own examination methods for rating
 potential students, as long as they are not discriminatory.
- As a note, Cascadia students must complete no less than 448 exams through the 13 years of Foundation School. That is 6 Levels of 8 Core Courses, 7 course for Level-I Advanced Course, 3 at Level-II advanced courses, and one Level-III advanced course. Each course requires 7 ssuccessful exams to pass. As a comparison, students of the Former U.S. easily do well over 600 exams within their 1-12 commitment. For Cascadia, once these exams are done, the student is awarded an Associate's Degree in their favored studies and would be considered reaching Age of Commitment.
- Core Studies Courses are ranked into 6 Course Tier (I, II, III, IV, V and VI) for root knowledge. As already noted, each Tier level covers overlapping 3 years, where Tier-I studies incudes years 1st, 2nd and 3rd, Tier-II would be years 3-5, and so on. By the 11th to 13th year of Foundation School, the student would be completing their Base/Core Study Course Tier-VI examinations. By the second year of each Tier, the student would normally start passing the Tier Exams. If they are struggling, instructors would start extra tutoring and studies, tapping upper students to assist.

- Cascadia has set Core Knowledge Courses as Cascadian Grammar (including evolution of the words, styles and cursive), General-Mathematics, Comparitive-Cultures, Social Relations, General-History, Technologies, General-Science and General Arts/Crafts/Music.
- There are many Specialty Knowledge Courses, ranked Level-I to Level-III, available to Tier II-VI students. Prior general knowledge would be expected, and each of these courses would have the expectations. For graduation 1+ Level-III Specially exams would have to be complete, 3+ Level-II and 7+ Level-I.
- Specialty Knowledge Courses include: Algebra, geometry, trigonometry, business science, accounting & business math, biology, zoology, astronomy, physics, geography, geology, chemistry, technology-engineering (mechanical, electronics, robotics, computers, ect.), computer operations-programming, alternate languages, politics, religions & faiths, international relations, specialized history (ancient, classical, medieval, renaissance, industrial, technical-era, breakup-era, social-renaissance), journalism, literature, arts/crafts (painting, sculpturing, film/video arts, etc.), woodworking, metalworking, textiles, photography, music, dance, domestic cultures¹, etc.
- A variety of trade shops are available within the network, such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical, etc. Apprenticeships are available through these programs. Each network has facilities to construct prefabricated homes (double-wide trailers) for sale or Transient Home Parks (see County/Shire Homes in the Details & Options section). Architectural class students design the layouts and trade classes construct these homes.
- Though grading of exams is not a factor in graduation, superior knowledge in the subject would become obvious with the progression of the students advancing in that subject.
- The reviewing Instructors conduct of the examinations creates an academic scoring based on their them taking those exams. This is to help ensure the instructor maintains high level of competence within the field they are instructing.





Education (cont.):

- Within each network, some schools would have Practical Knowledge courses (especially for hyper active students who display physical and mental challenges. These courses include trades (carpentry, masonry, etc.) where they build prefabricated structures for communities (park apparatuses, sections of homes, etc.). Also, agriculture courses maintain gardens and animal husbandry that would need attention, giving the students an outlet for physical and mental stimulation.
- Vehicle restoration shops would be attached with certified mechanics and technicians where people and government agencies may donate vehicles for restoration and resale as a supplement revenue for the school, though mainly for training of students.
- Martial Foundation Program (see Martial Affairs section) is available to students, and is a good outlet for extra energies.
- Cursive writing is taught as part of grammar courses.
- Classes in Foundation School are fluid with general lectures from instructors and studies, but mostly interactive discussions on the subject. This allows flexibility, and for students to assist lower classmates with their studies.
- Selection of students into popular class enrollment is based on the students full seasons within the schools, allowing them 1st enrollment rights, no matter which school within the network has the classes so they have a chance to attend the class before the graduation. They must have all prior requirements.
- Formatted as the voting requirements, examinations/testing for course studies, students are required to accumulate 7 (not 3) passing sheets, having randomly assembled questions from thousands. Each sheet has 20 multiple choice questions each, making 140 complete question for the course. For the course, student requires 70% passing score on each sheet, making 14+ correct questions of the 20 questions on each sheet.
- The student may have scrap paper, pens, pencils, independent calculators (not computer, omnivices, communication devices, etc.) and any material allowed for the specific exam within the exam area. Exam monitors will have such items available for use by the students.
- Exam/Question Compossision consists of the question statement, having 5-6 presented answers, where 1-3 are correct.
- Examinations would be placed in the confidential file for the student, and registered as proof of completion. The student and parents/guardians have the right to review their file at any time during normal hours of operation for the school. Once the course is complete and certificates issued, the sheets in the records would be destroyed inappropriate manner.
- Course exams are extensive, with many thousands of questions related to each Level of each course and, having more added each month.
- Exam-Evaluation Devices is a contained, isolated printerscanner computers at each school that assembles and prints
 exams on demand for students to conduct in the booth or
 setting (class for Tier-I). When the students arrive for the
 exams, the Monitor inserts their recognition fob and personal
 code after validating the student's exam needs, having the
 exam printed, filling out information. Once the student
 completes the exam, it is passed through the device, which
 scans and evaluates, then overprints results and scoring.
 The device assembles and evaluates the tests, and does not
 track students/instructors. The Monitor records the use of
 each test chronologically in a separate logbook for each
 season for verification and inspection. The monitor also

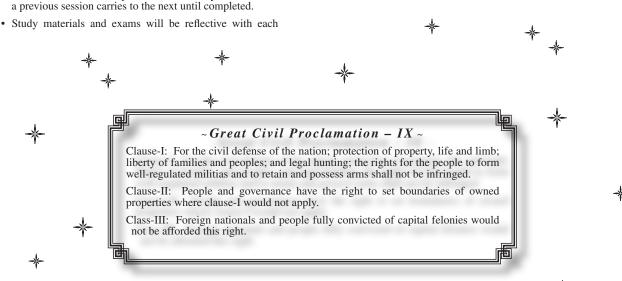
issues an exam receipt to the student, making note within the records. Regional technicians and inspectors evaluate the device on a monthly/seasonal basis respectively, and rotates for oversight. Periodically throughout the day the Dean or authorized management staff certifies the Monitor for verification.



Education (Cont.):

- · Tier-I exams are conducted within the classrooms as a group. The Monitor assembles the exams and witnesses the conduct in the classroom.
- · Students are allowed to take exams at any school within their network. Exams done away from their home school will be sent to the home school through proper channels.
- For quality control, instructors shall, once a week for 50 weeks a year, take one exam in their specialty of education, filing a critique, with any corrections needed. Also, they are obliged to present 3 questions in that report to the Examination Counsil for possible inclusion in future exams. When formatting questions, instructors will have differing amount of question arrangements for their submissions to create a variety of responses needed (say a question needing 2 correct answers out of 6, another with 2 correct answers out of 5, and another with 3 correct answers out of 4 possibles). Instructors often use the question students expressed during the course, guiding their input. Such proposals will be assembled and distributed randomly to instructors for critique and review, then set as part of the exams for future use. These elements may be reviewed by the Dean and Education Board for efficiency of instructors.
- Upper Classmates would tutor Lower Classmates in courses they have completed as part of their own training. This assists instructors and reinforces the knowledge of the subject with the upper class members, gaining another means for instructors to review student knowledge so to guide their further education. Each student of and higher level (starting at Tier-III standing) will spend 2 periods a week in a lower class, as an assistant. If it becomes a problem for upper classmates to instruct lower classmates, they would be tasked with basic chores around the school.
- There are Subjective Courses, including Art, Literature, Music and Theater. Each student would participate in 2 different field courses per year. Due to the subjective views of these areas, grading is done by Roving Instructors which gives seminars on the subject and reviews the student work while there. Written papers on the subject would be done and reviewed as well. The averaging of the highest 12 reviews, make up the grade. In this way, should the student doing many works, they may raise their grades. Their has to be at least 12 reviews to pass the course. Any reviews from a previous session carries to the next until completed.

- other, and critiqued by instructors as part of their testing.
- · Study workbook and materials containing the information within the examinations are produced at the national level, having input articles from instructors. No private material shall be purchased or considered with national funding. Such practices in the past became personal income of people at the expense of other citizens, narrowing perspective, and creating favoritism.
- · Cascadia school system produces a monthly magazine (Cascadia School Gazette), weekly paper (Cascadia School Journal) and a series of softcover books (several per year), as well as internet publications. Each are rated as Primary (for Tier-I through IV) or Advanced (Tier-IV through VI). Articles are from students essays, as well as instructors, submitted from the best in each school. Papers are generally local, where Gazette and books are national, allowing the sharing of information between students and faculty. Advertising helps finance the publication, though may not exceed 20% of periodical volume. Books are a compile relation of earlier works. The publications focuses on knowledge base and assist students with core studies, giving helpful advice for proceeding with their education.
- Throughout Cascadia, Foundation School schedules are set to a general standard. There are 4 Course Seasons each year. Each Course Season has 2 Course Sessions lasting 6 weeks each, making 8 school sessions for the year (48 instructional week each year). There is a 1 week break between sessions and 2 weeks between seasons.







Education (Cont.):

- School Sessions begin on a regular schedule. Flex ability
 is with course studies and the 10 periods with the Sessions.
 Each of the 8 annual Sessions begin on 1 January, 13
 February, 1 April, 13 May, 1 July, 13 August, 1 October
 and 13 November.
- The schools' *Operational Hours* are 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. *Check-In* for Tier-III+ is done on arrival at the cafeteria between 6:00 to 6:45 A.M. Tier-III and above class schedules begin at 7:00 A.M., concluding at 5:00 P.M., with courses in different rooms with specialty instructors. Students having later first classes will check in with the office
- Scheduling for Tier-II students is from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. with *Check-In* at their first class by 7:50 A.M. Tier-II has more flexible rooms than Tier-I, having separate instructors for the *Base-Core Studies*.
- Tier-I daily schedule is from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. with *Check-In* at their class by 8:50 A.M. These students attend their class in one room.
- Tier-III+ classes begin at the top of the hour starting at 7:00
 A.M., lasting 50 minutes. The final class of the day begins at 4:00 P.M., ending at 4:50 P.M., making 10 class periods available for the student.
- At the x:45 minute of each class period there is a single chime a warning to the instructors and students to wrap the session up. At x:50 minute, there is a double chime indication the end of the class. There is a triple chime at the top of each hour announcing the beginning of the class period.
- Tier-III+ students are expected to attend 7 classes a day.
 The schedule and courses are up to the students, as long as requirements for studies are accomplished.
- In the Former U.S., the standard number of academic day for the year ranged close to 180-190 days, at 6.5 hours each, giving rough average yearly class hours of around 1200 school hours. Within Cascadian, Level-III+ student attending 7 classes each day in the 10 hours available for 4 days a week, 6 weeks of each session, for 8 sessions (48 instructional weeks) gain 1300+ hours of class time for the year.

~ ~ Foundation School Networking ~ ~

- Each school is linked with 3-6 neighboring schools, creating a *local network*. The networks of 4-7 schools will overlap with neighboring schools, allowing a greater sharing of instructor-student knowledge.
- All schools in the network become the general center of Communities, and those Communities shall be adjacent so not to have lengthy map layouts. All adjacent Communities will be part of the network, with the next closest school/ community adopted in the network. No consideration based on elite status shall be considered. If such consideration is discovered, a review of administration shall take place. Community size and schools would vary, though relative balance would be a focus to prevent inequitable situations. See Communities in the Details & Options section.
- School *Network Buses* (toouring style) provide transportationat 6:15 A.M., 11:15 A.M. and 5:15 P.M. (20-30 minute drive time) for instructors and students holding courses in different schools within the *network*. The seats behind the driver are in pairs for students with drop-down trays for meals and study. The seats on the front door side are single and wider for instructors, also with trays. In this way instructors may monitor and assist students.
- School meal packs are prepared and chilled the day before for students and instructors (if they wish) who are riding

the Network Buses.

 Civil Transportation Services provide access to and from schools. Many parents arrange pooling for students. Since there is no separations of the ages in the community schools, their is less distances on average as there were in the past. With the rotation of some instructors and students, Tiers of education is spread more evenly thoughout the schools.



Education (Cont.):

- Some school areas may provide shuttle buses for picking up and dropping off students to and from school, homes and special event.
- Rotation Instructors are specialists in a field, who maintain a route with 4 schools, scheduled for two 12-hour instruction days, morning and afternoon at different schools each of the 2 selected days of the week, and one 8 hour administrative day at their home school. This is to allow more schools to have their specialty knowledge. These instructors are transported by the Network Buses at 6:15 A.M., 11:15 A.M. and 5:15 P.M. (20-30 minute drive time), with meals available and room to relax or work.
- *Primary Instructors* are a morning or afternoon schedule for 1+ schools for all 4 days of the week. They may have classes in different schools each day, though not functioning as a *Rotation Instructor*.
- Young Students, generally under 8 years of age (Level-I), are kept in the same class, having breaks and meals together under the supervision of the instructor or attendants.
- The student assembly at the residence school (the one each student lives near) would elect seven "envoys) from Tier V and VI to form the School Student Advisory Council. That Counsel would represent all the students in the school network associating with that particular school, and would assist in resolving problems. They would elect among themselves a Secretary of the Council, who functions as the primary student for the Council. Twice a month, they would meet with the Dean to discuss school matters.
- Sporting events are usually scheduled for the Saterdae or Sundae, from mid-morning to early afternoon, or Thursdae, after 6:00 P.M. With the interconnection of the schools, sports teams are assembled from the students with each School Network.
- As part of the schools network, sports teams are made up of students within the network. This gains broader source of players. Students must maintain their curriculum and not fall behind studies and exam schedule.
- The cafeteria begin serving at 5:20 A.M., ending for the day at 5:30 P.M. The Level-II+ students may arrange their eating times as they desire with their personal course schedule. There is no charge for meals, though each student will have to present their Identity Card (or be with their class for younger student).
- The *Dean* (CCP-21) in the head of the community school faculty, with the *Chief Administrator* (CCP-20) as their vise. *First/Second/Base Administrators* (how many depends on the school's size) are raked in order. *Base Administrators* (CCP-17) are general managers, overseeing the examinations, as well as *Other staff*, including school nurses (CCP-18), cafeteria staff/cooks (CCP-13/CCP-14), counselors (CCP-16), librarians (CCP-15), maintenance (CCP-16), gardner (CCP-13), day porter (CCP-12), janitorial (CCP-11), etc.
- Income for Foundation School staff and instructors are set, and applied to all schools of Cascadia. The Dean is ranked at CCP-21, the Chief Administrator is CCP-20 and the First, Second and Base administrators are from CCP-19 to CCP-17. Tier-VI Instructors are ranked at CCP-19, and consecutively lower Tiered instructors are one rank lower, with Tier-I Instructors being CCP-14.
- *Instructor substitutes* are a CCP level higher than the active instructor (e.g.; CCP-18 for *Tier-IV*). This is to compensate for their need to respond at a moment's notice. They would hold similar schedules as the instructors in the network that they cover and may be tasked to fill in on lower Tiers (not *Tiers* above). When not covering classes for absent instructors, they would sit in and assist active instructors

- to get a feel for teaching styles and progression, assisting where appropriate. Their insight to administrators is also helpful.
- *Civil Libraries* are attached to the community schools and are shared by the students and the citizens. Conduct within the library is to be proper, enforceable by the Sheriffs. *See Communities in this section*.
- Day porter at the schools are for general cleaning throughout the day. Night janitors have throughout the night (6:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.) to perform more detailed cleaning. Maintenance and gardeners attend the grounds of several schools as needed.
- As with other government *Pensionaries*, instructors and staffs of *Foundation Schools* and *Provincial Universities* are not allowed to strike. Pay and benefits are rated as all *Pensionaries*.
- Private schools and homeschooling may maintain their own routine, as long as the students meet evaluation standards, including knowledge of evolution, world cultures and general faiths. Students being homeschooled will need to conduct examinations at local schools, during normal hours. Private schools would pay a nominal fee for examination packets (randomly selected), and must have a suitable private area for students to take the examinations. Such schools must allow spontaneous (unannounced) inspections, to ensure proper procedures and conduct.
- Some parents opt for private boarding schools. Such facilities often provide specialty knowledge (such as art, music, military, etc.). The examinations are done in the Township School grounds and are required for graduation. No government funding is available for private schools, though government loans are available to citizens and would be attached to their Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund.
- Students with disabling or impeded conditions are managed within each school as needed to bring such students to full educational ability. This may include specialized transportation, desks, mechanics, electronics, etc. Exam requirements still apply, though an assistant monitor may handle aspects that are limited, such as marking the sheets, reading the questions, etc.
- There is no offical time limits for examinations, though individual exams must be completed in the same sitting during school hours. Any uncompleted or none passed pages are not placed in the records. Since discussing the questions among student causes them to think of the information, there is no restriction to such discussion, and such discussions are encouraged, finding students learn more when doing so. The student may take completed exams with them for review by others. This helps with their understanding of the questions.
- Beyond required examinations, students would be reviewed in a variety of ways by their instructors to discover their strengths and weakness, guiding their knowledge and study directions. These examinations are not part of the requirement for passing the courses, though would help students in their studies.
- Course progression reports would be issued at the end
 of each season, giving the completed courses, as well as
 the current completed exam count for the next course tier
 level.
- Rural Community Schools are held to the same standards, though school hours are more flexible with home tutoring from other students and parents. Local Deans work with the parents to ensure proper knowledge levels.





Education (Cont.):

- Each Province operates a *closed boarding school for particularly troublesome students* who the *County/Shire Foundation School* find disruptive. Since education is mandatory for all citizens students under the *Age of Commitment*, if the families are unable to control the student, this may become their only option. The students residing here are restricted to campus rules.
- School makeup days for lost days due to weather or other reasons, are on the next feasible Saterdae, and handled as the day that was lost, even as rotation of instructors and students.

<u>Higher/Advance Education</u>: Colleges, universities and technical schools are private ran with no direct government funding.

- All Cascadian citizens are able to draw government funding at the lowest possible interest, as set by Parliament, to attend any institution they are accepted in.
- Universities will have base-core requirements for specific degrees.
- Each Province has universities fully run by the Province for the education of Cascadian citizens. These *Provincial Universities* are not privately owned in any manner. Resident students of the provincial universities (having lived in the province no less than 3 years), pay base level tuition. Cascadian citizens from other Provinces would pay 120%-based tuitions, and may not exceed 30% total local enrollment numbers. Foreign national students with valid visas pay 150%, and may not exceed 15% of total local enrollment.
- All higher education (colleges, universities, technical schools) in Cascadia beyond the *Provincial Universities* are private. Students may fund this education through their *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*. Family ciltizens may apply their
- Some universities and colleges function as *National Partnership Companies*, though this is not the *Provincial Universities*. Fully private universities may handle their affairs as they see fit, in guidance with *Parliamentary Edicts*.
- Hierarchy of Provincial Universities is similar to Foundation Schools, having Deans (CCP-23), Chief Administrators (CCP-22), etc., even gardeners (CCP-14), day porters (CCP-13) and janitors (CCP-12). Administrators would have a CCP ranking to levels above foundation schools, where other staff would be one rank higher. Professors are ranked based on their higher education level; with tenured professors being CCP-23, doctoral professors at CCP-22, master professors at CCP-20 and undergraduate professors would be CCP-19. Private universities may organize their staff as they see fit, those subject to the oversight of the Education Commission.
- Government Education (Student) Loans for collegel universities may be obtained each season for C£1,950 (450 × Civil Least Wage) linked to their Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund, having a starting loan of C£7,800. If they have work history, they may add 600 time their personal Rated Income level (C£2,600) of the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund. These loans are at the lowest rate (CLR-1), currently at 1.3%. Relatives may assist the student with loans from the government, linked to their own Fund at an amount 150 × of their current average weekly Rated Income (C£1,800 at C£12.00 hourly rate), and applied as CLR-1 interest with the student. Education loans hold the lowest possible interest, and have no penalties, and is payable over the lifetime of the citizen (see Civil Loans in its own entry).
- · Education loans include the tuition, room (generally for

- barracks figured at C£320 per month, C£1,560 seasonal) and 20% incidentals. Private education loans are available.
- In 2067, Cascadia college/university annual tuitions ranged from C£4,600 to around C£16,400 (C£1,150 to C£4,100). Early in the 21st Century of the *Former U.S.*, the range of annual tuition was between around \$3,000, on the low end to \$50,000 at the high, with the average for state residents at public colleges to be around \$9,000 (\$22,000 for out-of-state going to public colleges), and slightly over \$30,000 for private colleges. Consider the differential exchange rates from 2016 to 2067, \$3,000 in 2016 would be equal to about 15,200 in 2067.
- No grants from the government are available. Since all citizens are able to gain student loans, and they are expected to attain higher income degrees, they are expected to be able to repay loans. It was seen unfair for those who could not gain grants to have to repay their education cost where others who gain grants did not, as they gain the same income status after gaining degrees.
- Students would be *responsible for the cost of their education*, motivating them to their studies, discouraging those who would got through the motions because they have no personal financial stake, which would be the case for full paid grants for individual or for every citizen.
- Some companies may provide tuition assistance for later employment. Such opportunities would be regulated by the Education Commission, overseen by Parliament.
- Students may work through the County/Shire Home as CCP-1 or higher, to gain employment experience and tuition compensation as a Civil Pensionary. The Home will work with class schedules.
- There are other avenues of affording higher education. While in military service, 80% of tuitions would be covered by the Ministry of Martial Affairs. Once out of service, with honorable discharge, prior service members gain a 40% tuition payment from Martial Affairs as a benefit for giving service to their nation. Civil pensionaries (government employees) gain a 20% tuition payment for classes they take.
- Civil Employment Education Program is available for qualified full-time students, who will become civil pensionaries for duration of 3 years for each year of their degree (12 year service as government pensionary for a 4-year bachelor's degree). This is only available for specific needed fields for the government. The tuition would be registered as a loan, not to exceed a 4-year degree, or annual tuition of 5 × the monthly income for the CCP (Pensionary) pay schedule for the position they will take. They personally could have higher tuition costs, though the government will not compensate for it. Should they not complete the required program, the citizen is responsible for paying all remaining amount on the loan. This helps bringing educated, qualified persons into civil service for the nation, and provides a guaranteed job after graduation with their degree.
- Prestigious private universities do have higher tuition costs. Since they do not gain funding from the governance, unless as part of the National Partnership Companies, these universities maintain their prestige on their own merits, and are under the oversight of the Education Commission and Safeties & Safety Commission.

1) Note that the Cascadia week does not have a Friady.



Entertainment

There are many entertainment avenues for Cascadia citizens, including theater (film and stage), concerts, etc.

- Films are popular than ever and *Movie House (Theater)* brings back the past experiences from when the theaters began showing films, not that any Cascadian is around from that time – or are there?
- Dancing grew in popularity in Cascadia and by 2067, many dance halls and clubs opened up.
- Science fiction and fantasy is strong in Cascadia, as his fantasy, and western returned in favor, and many novels, short stories, films and shows are produced there, distributed around North America and the globe
- Through the 2040s and the 2050s, old westerns had a come back with television soap operas format as well as leadership literature.
- Community dances are common, with some are sponsored by churches.

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Burlesque: See Voderet (Voderae) in this section.

Concerts: Many bands traveled to provide entertainment, even along the walkways and streets (*see Street Entertainment in this section*).

<u>Films</u>: Theaters had a great comeback in Cascadia.

Also see Starlight Film-Show Awards in this section.

• Staggering Heights (by Trinity Pictures, 2043) is a dark comedy drama of 2 families on a camping trip to the mountains, having a coming of age elements with the eldest daughter (well developed blonde) of one family and the boy of the other who wished to be with her. She was not interests and was raped. The girl's brother beat the boy just shy of killing, having been stopped by his father. This became such a popular film and long running television series (Home Again) for television continued to the 2067 about what happened to them when they got home.

~ Film Studios ~

- Second World Studios was name from the recovery of the world since the economic-social collapse of the 2010s into the 2020s, and functions from Caldwell, Idaho Province. The studio produces a variety of television series and feature films, many in the spy, fantasy and sci-fi John. — Pull from film area further in the same this chapter during the book.
- The small town of Yreka (north of Redding, Pacifica Province) became the Cascadia Hollywood, when the LA Riots and Great Earthquake devastated the region, then was acquired by Sanora. The studios from LA-Hollywood reestablished in Atlanta, operating in a variety of locations.
- Sequoia Studios, Pacific Trinity Studios (the merger of Pacific Studios and Trinity pictures in 2047) and Shasta Studios are the three major studios in Cascadia. Foreign films are popular, including those from Atlanta

<u>Dance</u>: Very popular in Cascadia, once people became less fearful of the pandemics, with dance halls have opening virtually in every Township, catering to a variety of styles.

 Rock-disco dancing continued into 2067, and the old feud between rock and disco was long forgotten with people just enjoying the movement as long as the music can you dance to. • A common styles that grew from blending nonstop flamingo, Mexican and court dancing (popular on its own in Cascadia) is something they call Flamistan Dress Dancing. Generally, this is done with women wearing flamboyant, colorful long flowing dresses with layers of skirts and Lacey, frilly and ruffled bodices, with the woman turning and swirling creating a kaleidoscope of color with the movement. Masle partners are usually less flamboyant, focusing the attention on the woman. Full figured women have been drawn to this style, and teams have formed with all stature, often presented in parades.

Dinner Theaters: Many of these cater to an exclusive clientele, bringing a variety of entertainments. *Cabarets* are more mature, often featuring *burlesque traveling troupes* (*See Voderet (Voderae) in this section*). Basic dinner theaters have less risqué entertainment, presenting singers, poets, musical bands, etc.

<u>Illibooks</u>: Since comic books do not express the full nature and varieties of illustrated books, the term *Illibook* was adopted for publications having illustrations involved with the storyline, and would include superhero illustrated novels and such.

Games: A multitude of games are played by people within Cascadia.

- Collective games are board, cards, RPGs, etc. that are done in person, and not remotely through consoles, computers, omnivices, etc.
- Omnivices (solo and poly-players) games evolved from electronic consoles, computers, touch pads, etc., and are even more interconnected with a variety of device integrated into clothing, attachments, portable accessories, headset (a variety of senses), etc.

<u>Literature</u>: Hard and soft books are still printed, with people having a continued desire for the physical handling of such media. Electronic versions are also available for convenience.

From 2043 to 2067, a mature soap opera literary called *Prairie Village*, by *Georgina Baker*, set in a fictional suburb of Kansas City by that name. Early on, several writers came on board for the project, and the series became very popular. This is produced in *Atlanta* by gold horizon press. In the beginning, 7 and 9 books came out each season, increased to 32 by 20 67.





Media Ratings: Cascadia continued to see the need to rate media materials for people in order to understand the content of the work and yet not restrict the art of the work. Past methods were adjusted, and became applied to all art-media forms, including publications, films, shows, games, etc.

Cascadia prevents government limitations of the arts beyond greater safety concerns (direct quantifiable harm).

To accommodate some sensitivity of people, the ratings allow people of ignore the art. Common public areas may not display material rating more sensitive than GY, GD or GM.

Parents and guardians are responsible for handling the restrictions with their children. The government will not interfere with the raising of children beyond quantifiable safety concerns.

- <u>GY</u>: ~General Youthful audience~ Highly restrained content for immature youth, having no presentation of aspects that would be objectionable to 90% of the population; and excludes any displaying or implication of intimacy, nudity, language, violence or controversy.
- <u>GD</u>: ~General Documentary~ An informative work having no elements that 70% of the population should find objectionable or controversial.
- <u>GM</u>: ~General Mature audience~ The art-media contents has no content that 85% of the population should view as objectionable. There may some mild spoken vulgarity, as well as some nonvulgar exposing attire or brief/modest nudity, nursing, light public affection found in open societies, relating to natural aspects of people. See Vulgar Behavior in the Criminal Acts entry of the Legal Affairs section.
- YM#.**: ~Young Maturity~ This rating indicates suitable material for maturing adolescence. Those under 12 years of age would having to be accompanied by parents/guardians. Such material shall not possess more than brief/implied violence, modest vulgar language or brief sexual situations. Modest nudity, countervail cultural implications and bullying is allowed.
- MA#-**: ~Mature Audience~ Media material having this rating may have aspects large portion (80%) of the population may view as objectionable (e.g.; MA3-LVSN). Those below the Age of Commitment and 12+ of age may be accompanied by one who has achieved the Age of Commitment. Limitations for MA also apply here.
- MD#-**: ~ Documentary Mature Audience~ This rating is for documentaries and information material. A notation of MD3-LV would indicate the documentary would have language and violence, and may be attached to material discussing military conflicts. Has same viewing restriction as MA#.
- MR#**: ~Mature Restricted ~ The media contents having the "Restricted" nomenclature could be more disturbing to a greater population (generally over 80%) and should be considered before viewing.
- MX#-**: ~Mature Explicit~ The contents of material having this rating are considered very "Explicit" to most people (90%) and would be disturbing to many mature audience, even more so than MR.
- The "#" associated with MA, MD, MR and MX is the general amount of the content, 11-99 with the 2 digits of the number considered separately, creating a high and low range. Each digits (say 7 and 2 of MA72) would be approximately 10% volume or less as related to the full body of work (7 being 70% and 2 at 20%). A video rated MD11-W would be a nature wilderness documentary having up to 10% of the material having scene of hunting and mating, "2" for 20%, and so on, with MR99 for around 90% or entire work. With the range loosely relating to the BC1LNSVW notations added, each person would have a reasonable notion of what to expect.
- The first number of the 2 digits would always be higher or equal to the second number (say MA32-IL for 30% to 20% of the work having *Implied Intimacy* and *vulgar Language*). The

- letter sequences would be in series, showing the highest volume first to the least at the end. MA62-VLN would have 60% of the work having some form of *Violence* with only 20% having *Nudity*, the *Language* would fall somewhere in between.
- The "**" lettering are for additional rating element to indicate the nature of the possible disturbing content, and are adopted from past references. With the additional nomenclatures are "B" (Bullying and forms of harassment); "C" (Customs or Cultural practices that may be Conflictive, Contrary or Controversial to the social expectation of some people); "T" (Implied Intimacy), "L" (vulgar Language), "N" (Nudity), "S" (Sexual Situations), or "V" (Violent); or "W" (Wilderness matters, including hunting and mating). The placement from left to right of these notations indicate the comparative amount, with the greater position on the left. Say, a film rated as MR74-NSCLV would have nudity for some 70% of the work (erotica), with intimacy/sexual content somewhat at or less than that volume, followed by a elements some may find conflictive to their customs, spoken vulgarity and violence.



<u>Music</u>: People love music, and Cascadia seem to relish it and dancing, having a variety of dance halls and clubs is most Townships

- Rock music held a strong following, and disco had a come back by 2067.
- Eve Punk (a form of New Age Punk) evolved in the 2020s, peeking in popularity in the mid—2030s, and is still listened to by twenty sixty-seven as classic. The music is a wavering, instrumental blend centered around string, synthesizers and drums
- Mentalism Rock is a rapid, fluid rhythm music akin to New Age punk.
- · Mountain Blend has an old country feel with southern rock.
- Dancing is very popular and many music and any music that could be danced to has been has a place. See Dancing in the section.
- Several rock and other bands have are circulating on tour in 2067
- The style that is quite popular with Starlight Flyers, as well as others, came to be known as arcana rock, a psychedelic instrumental style of rock having a slight medieval-classical flavor.
- Known for their long ballads, the Cascadian band *Starlight Flyer* (*archana rock* and rock opera), formed at the core by Mitchell and Penny Sweeney, draws some of the larger audiences in Cascadia (exceeding 12,000) and tours around the globe.
- Other bands include Green Animal Crackers (old style rock), Raging Falls (hard rock), High Energy Kickstarter (thrasher rock, slightly softer thrash metal), Lasar Ace (archana rock), Eden Wish (archana rock), Rising Curtain Band (disco and dance rock), Chic Sunrise (disco), Robert Green & Company (ease jazz and big band), Cascadian Royal Orchestral (classical/ instrumental), and many more.

<u>Movie Theaters</u>: *Movie Houses*, as they are more commonly called in Cascadia, brought back the theatrics and social event of going to the movies.

See Restricted Media Ratings in Details & Options section.

- As part of the theatric of the movies, the drawback curtains and front stage were brought back.
- With the loss of Hollywood to the Los Angeles Gang Riots that spread into surrounding area, the small town of *Yreka*, in northern California, became the new Hollywood, though the name didn't follow.
- Many theaters brought back the event of going to the movies, including
 pre-film entertainment, the drawing back of the curtains as well as
 continuing the trailer of upcoming films. "News Reels" were shown as
 well as "Civil Information Reels." Local talents often entertained for
 tips.
- Showing older films at the theater had a resurgent with the more entertainment oriented experience.
- Double feature and all day movie events with between films socializing
 grew. Most theaters offered all day passes, where people would come
 and socialize before, between and after films. With reducing concession
 stand pricing, people felt the experience was a social event more than just
 a venue to see a movie. Communities grew to know their neighbors.

Night Clubs: A great number of these continue to entertain people in Cascadia, bringing local and traveling entertainers. *See Voderet (Voderae)*.

<u>Media Ratings</u>: See Restricted Media Ratings in Details & Options section.

Olympus Gaming Rating: Conducted by the Olympus Consumer Rating Group (see Business entry in the Details & Options section for this company), well-established games of all sorts are ranked annually, released in April. In January and February, Cascadia households may

print and mail in their top 9 games they've enjoyed from any game that had been in circulation at least 7 years, reducing the effects of current fads.

The entries of categories are consolidated in March with the results published in the April edition of Olympus products rating. Categories include Omnivice Games, Table Boards, Table Cards, Table Role-Playing, Non-Shooter Immersion, Shooter Immersion, Etc.

Pubs & Taverns: Most every community has local pubs and taverns, and the terms are interchangeable. As in the past, many have themes, such as pull taverns, sports pubs, etc. Such establishments may not be within 7 blocks (1/5th mile) of an official community school. The restriction does not include private institutions, since Cascadia will not have private institution shaping the makeup of communities.

Sports: Many within Cascadia play local sports, as well as viewing dictator events. By 2067 in Cascadia, there had been several reference changes, and some are presented here.

Several sports are popular in Cascadia, mainly European football (soccer) and hockey. *Parliament* has decreed that no government funding shall go to support any sport, unless done as a *National Partnership Company*. If communities wishes to have a team, they are to run it as a business with all privileges and responsibility, including all levies. All stadium are handled as businesses.

- Soccer (European Football) is the most popular. Hockey became the second most popular sport in Cascadia, with Tennis as third.
- Horse and Auto Racing rates fourth in popularity and gambling at and other licence
- American football became shortened to Amball, remaining distinct from Soccer. Because football has general references to American football, Soccer is used to refer to that sport, and grew more popular in Cascadia than Amball. A few professional Amball teams (called American Football beyond Cascadia) run the circuits, even traveling to other nation to play teams there.
- Zip-Ball is a fast-moving sport played on a grass field 90 meters long and 30 meters wide with goals in opposite corners. Goalies (2 per team) are restricted to a curved zone 6 to 9 meters from the goal shoot. In the center of the field is a 9 meters circle or the "Captain." The rest of the players (7 per team) act within the rest of the field away from the goals. The goal is 1 meter in diameter 1.5 meters centered off the ground. Players wear cage-front helmets and padding. A safety net surrounds the field for spectators, due to the speed of the ball and potential injury. Players use a scoop-racket to catch, scoop up and throw a semi-soft 12 centimeter ball. Matches are played in 7, 9-minute rounds with one of the Captains starting with the ball (the underscoring team). High score wins the match. The goal shoot catches the ball, dropping it to a tray that 1 of the goalies would retrieve. From there, it has to work its way to the center Captains before it could progress for goal.





Stage Theater: Most Townships have local productions, with cities showcasing traveling troupes. See Traveling Shows.

Starlight Film-Show Awards: Conducted annually, these awards give honor to films (full-length presentations) and shows (serial-episodic presentation) in a wide range of genre and styles.

There are no cross-genre comparisons or absolute awards (e.g.; there are no "best pictures for all genres"). There are best picture for specific genres, best performer, best actor, best actress and such. Also, the awards are giving to films, shows and performers based on the last 3 years, having overlapping opportunities each annual cycle. This gives presentations 3 opportunities to gain credit for their efforts. Once credited, they are not eligible the following year, though newer performances would be in competition.

Genre categories include Drama, Humor, Sci-Fi-Fantasy (including Anime), Documentary, Historical Fiction (including Westerns), Children, Ftc.

The *Starlight Show Awards* are presented on Saturday, 5 February, with the *Starlight Film Awards* done the following Saturday, 11 February.

Street Entertainment: Most all Townships have people in public areas providing amusement for tips; including musicians, poets, acrobats, dancers, jugglers, etc.

Theme Amusement Parks: Private companies throughout Cascadia has created a number of amusement parks, each with their own flavor and themes. Some are general with rides and carnival atmosphere, while others hold to a historical, sci-fi & fantasy, or whimsical genre.

<u>Traveling Shows</u>: Fairs, circuses and stage theater troupes are still popular. Attempts to resurrect vaudeville and burlesque entertainment evolved into a variety of productions commonly referred to as Voderet (Voderae).

~Supreme Declaration of Proclamations ~

~Preamble ~

Clause-I: To prevent misconduct and abuse of authority, these Great Civil Proclamations are established, and form the foundation of public confidence in the governance, as well as for the betterment of peoples and their natural rights, among which are life, liberty and pursuit of happiness.

Clause-II: All references within the Proclamations to Edicts shall apply to any and all Proclamations, ordinances, directives and forms of legislation.

Clause-III: No Edict shall be established which impedes, obstructs, encumbers or infringes on the rights of people to live peaceful lives, ensuring liberty and justice for the people. Any Edict found to violate the abilities of people to pursue peaceful happiness and liberty shall be found unjust and rejected, and no persons persecuted under such Edicts shall remain punished by such Edicts, and suitable compensation for the injustice shall be given.

Clause-IV: No Edict shall in any manner or form be favorable to a person or collective of people, nor shall the view of a greater number of people ever be pressed on a lesser number of people.



Television: Though the technology has changes with 3D-Wall Imaging (sometimes called *Wall Viewers/Screens/Curtains*, *televiewers*, and such), the story telling is much the same as it was for thousands of years. Open transmission stations, satillite, cable (wire and fiber optics) are still viewed by most of the population, with a slew of speciallized stations

- Immersion Screens/Curtains (ImVision, also called ImVids)
 have 3-dimensional effects in an area of the room as a trick with
 the eyes through microscopic christaline filaments on screens or
 curtains suspended/hanged on a wall or from ceiling to the floor.
 The screens/curtains could be curved and placed at a variety of
 sizes, depending on the room and layout.
- · Video transfers were still available
- Dramas are popular at all hours and have extended into other genres, including sci-fi, fantasy, westerns, mediviel-classical, etc
- Full nudity is no longer censored, and sex is restricted to certain channels, the higher the channel the more that is allowed.

~ Shows ~

- Skyline News Service (SNS) has been broadcasting out of Vancouver, Washington, in 2029, providing unbiased presentation of events in details, dedicating 10-15 minutes each hour to developing situations around the world.
- Missoula is a risqué serial drama of several families in the Montana city living apart from the rest of the nation in early 2030s, based on the writings of 3 families in that area.
- Home Again became a long-lasting drama series evolving from the Staggering Height film (see Films in this section).
- Night Terror was a 3-hour multistory show in the flavor of twilight zone, the 6th sense and outer limits of the past, airing from 2033-2037 (available on Thursday, Cascadia week), returning in 2043 for 8 more years (available on Saturdays).
- Alien Incursion is a television series adapted from the events of the New Hope Incident (Sky Bound; Luna Rising) and the book written by Maxfield Jaeger about the crash/landing of UFOs on the moon and the events in Chile and Peru. The adaptation was as a serial drama (soap opera) style of an alien foothold in northern Chile, being countered by covert

operatives as part of the *Global Defense Web* (*GDW*), codename spider. The story follows several families involved with the struggle against extraterrestrial presence, discovering the conflict between 2 civilizations (Visquoss (Greek/Hindu deities) and Gishinee (Grays). Intel-agent scout out information. An underground lunar base is set up on the far side of the moon with a series of monitoring satellites in geosynchronous orbit, the Lagrangian points (L1-L5), as well as a space station in high Earth orbit. Several Navy and Air Force assets are dedicated to the cause.

Voderet (Voderae): Combining the terms vaudeville and cabaret, these collective entertainers often provide shows for dinner and stage theaters; featuring variety acts, satire, dance, acrobats, poetry, music, comedy, juggling, mimicry, profiteering, etc. Many travel around in troupes.

Fantasy Burlesque is a mature revealing entertainment of dance, music, dry comedy and satire, having striptease and nude presentation. Hard Fantasy Burlesque has sexual conduct.

<u>Youth Entertainment</u>: A variety of theaters bring productions for a variety of media venues for the very young or maturing youth.

~ Great Civil Proclamation - V ~

Clause-I: The freedoms of people to peacefully assemble shall not be infringed; nor shall expression and speech of the people be abridged or restricted, including, though not restricted to, addressing and petitioning governance for grievances.

Clause-II: People and governance have the right to set boundaries on owned property where clause-I would not apply.

Clause-III: The people's right to their opinions and to seek, receive and import information and ideas through any media, regardless of national, regional or frontier boundaries shall not be infringed.

Clause IV: The rights of the people to have peaceful association with other people shall not be restricted or abridged, nor shall people be compelled to be part of an association.

Government Affairs

As Cascadia evolved, several agencies were created to perform governmental functions. The government does not outsource services.

Each agency has a *Council* and with 9 eduring members who establishes policies under the guidelines of *Parliament Edicts*.

- All elected officiaries and appointed administrators are Enduring Positions, enabling them to retain their positions unless a greater potential truly comes forth. This allows the officiary to conduct business without minor pressure from marginal candidates. In doing this, great amount of monies is saved for more useful purposes. See Elections in the Details & Options section for means of replacing officiaries. Though it was disputed by many, it was seen that simply half of the population to replace a seated officiary created too many instabilities and was costly.
- No government function is subcontracted to private companies.
 The agencies function within the workings of the government overseeing companies, ensuring compliance with Edicts and proper etiquette. Specific tasks may be outsourced to private Cascadian companies through the *Production & Acquisition Commission* as requested by another agency, overseen by the *Standards & Safety Commission* and *National Economic Commission*.
- Primary Agencies are ministries, bureaus and several commissions functioning as first-tier agencies with departments, cores, divisions, offices, units and teams as lower tier elements in their structure.

- Funding of the agencies is established and overseen by Parliament. Staff income and all operating costs are part of the funding. The funding is established and continues for the existent of the operating Edicts. Any changes to the funding is done by Edict and negates prior Edicts.
- Any Funding increase request from an agency automatically triggers and auditing by the Standards & Safeties Commission to validate current procedures and needs.
- Inability to function within budget also triggers and audit. The Standards & Safeties Commission is audited by the National Economics Commission. Parliament shall act on any disputes between agencies.
- All Manufacturing and purchases of supplies and equipment for the agencies are managed by the *Production & Acquisition Commission* (dependant to the Executive Ministry). See Acquisition in the Details & Options section.
- Major Utilities (electrical power, fuel, water, telcomm, etc.) are government function and are covered in the operations and not subject for funding of government agency.



Chief

Executive

Director

Executive Ministry

Bureau of Civil Services

Education Commission

Civil Loans Commission

Cascadia Climate Cm.

Civil Insurance Commission

Bureau of Civil Engineering

Domestic Land Commission

Tansportation Commission

Science & Technology Cm.

Energy Commission

Telecomm Commission

Intellectual Property Cm.

Bureau of Parks & Wilderness

Library of Cascadia

Civil Maintenance Teams

Postal Commission Civil Services Commission

Statistics & Licencing Cm.



Third House

Office

National Economic Commission

Bureau of National Partnerships

National Partnership Commission

Bureau of Health

Medical-Health Commission

Pharmaceutical Commission

Mobile Medical Centers

Civil Investigation Corps

Disease Research Commission

Medical Epidemic Commission

Ministry of Environmental Integrity

Ministry of Legal Affairs

Standards & Safety Commission

Ministry of Territories

Ministry of Foreign Relations

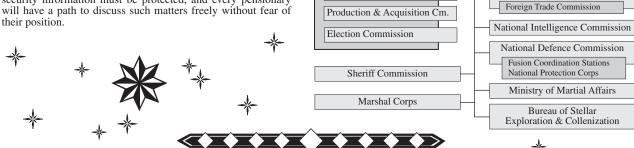
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- Special projects and construction to agencies are requested by the agency's councils to Parliament and come from the House's Discretionary Funds. No loans are to be handled by the agencies. Any requisition by the agency over their operating costs are requested through Parliament. See Parliament in this section.
- *Emergency Funding* is established by any 2 *Houses* of *Parliament* with the 2/3rd majority of each for any minting of currency with creations of associated bonds. All parameters of the bonds are set by the establishing *Edict*. Debt is seen as a virus to the health of the nation, and all citizen must be remedies as soon as possible. *See National Economics Commission for other elements*.
- All government personnel are Government Pensionaries and fall into several rankings; Ministers, Managerial and Staff. Any conflict of interest for Ministers, Senators and officiaries are settled by the Star Chamber.
- Government leadership and authority does not give the right to restrict to unit/department heads, their deputies or staff. This applies to all agencies, including National Intelligence Commission, and is policy to prevent stifling of policy truth. All pensionaries are allowed to express the policy as they see it, and may not be restricted or coerced into suppressing procedure. Any pensionary may discuss matters of policy and coercion with agents of the Standards & Safety Commission, Sheriffs, Marshals on matters of safety, procedures or misconduct. This does not give the right to coerce or threaten others at any level. Such activities may be prosecuted as harassment. All confidential and security information must be protected, and every pensionary will have a path to discuss such matters freely without fear of their position



* * * Governance Hierarchy * * *

Societies need structure. Cascadia set the agencies into direct structure and purpose. The *Agency List* further in this section elaborates on some of the specifics within the agencies. Here is a general outline of the hierarchy and a flowchart showing connections within Cascadia governance.

More specific details are thoughout this sect.

Each elected official (from *Township Councilmembers* to *Senators*) must be from different regional divisions. For *Townships*, each *Councilmembers* must be from a differing *Communities* within the *Township*, based on their voting home residency. For *Counties/Shires*, representatives would be from different *Townships* within the *County/Shire* they represent. For *Provinces*, representatives may be from differing *County/Shire* within the *Province*.

Holding to this policy, a greater diversity on the position will take place. Those in national positions (including *Senators* within *Parliament* would be from different *County/Shires* of the *Province*). When an open seat arises, or is challenged, persons within the region are not represented shall be the only ones considered.

If a representative moves from their primary residency, they first must resign from the position they were elected for based on that residency. That seat would then be filled in normal procedures. The vacating representative may choose to represent their new home of residency in normal manner.

National Hierarchy: All *Staffers* and *Officuaries* (the two general types of personnel to the government) are *Civil Pensionaries*, including *Councilmember*, *Senators* and *Chief Executive Director*.

See Regional Hierarchy in this area.

Senators (81): ~CCP-26-35~ Elected officials of Parliament.

» Their home of residence (where they officially vote from) would be in the Province they represent. The residency at Parliament would not be considered their official home of residency, being a local home for their dedication within the House. Since Senators and their spouses may not own property, they may list other family members for such residency, or the Provincial Governor House will become their official home of residency for the purpose.

Chief Executive Director (1): ~CCP-36~ The highest position in the Cascadian governance under the oversight of *Parliament*, overseeing the operation of governance and the protection of the nation. There is no dedicated deputy for this position. If this person is unable to serve, the *Senators* take the position as show in the *Order of Succession* (see entry in the Government Details area of this section).

Executive Chancellor (1): ~CCP-25~ Principal liaison from Parliamental present at the capital for coordination between the Parliament Houses. This possition functions with the Chancellors at the 3 Parliament Houses.

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Governance Hierarchy (cont.):

<u>Chancellors (3)</u>: ~*CCP-25*~ Each of the 3 *Parliament House* has one who oversees the operation of the specific *House*.

Lieutenant Chancellors (3): ~*CCP-24*~ One each as deputy to each of the *Chancellor of the # House (# being First, Second or Third.* Though numbered, the chancellors and their lieutenants are of equal status.

Executive Ministrators (4): ~CCP-23~ Principal administrators in the 3 House Offices of Parliament, as well as the Chief Executive Director.

<u>Lieutenant Ministrators (4)</u>: ~*CCP-22*~ Deputy to the Executive Administrators.

<u>Managers</u>: An assortment of managers who functions within the offices of *Parliament* and *Director*. See Managerial Pensionaries in the next area of this section.

~~~ Provinces ~~~

Governors: ~CCP-23~ The highest position within the province and elected by and from the *Provincial Council* in a similar manner as the *Chief Executive Director*. The Governor do not set policies, which is the function of the Council. *See Order of Succession in this area.*

Provincial Councilmembers: ~*CCP-22/21*~ There are 9 seats for each Provincial Council, and function to maintain order and governance of the Province. Ranked in seniority (longest holding the seat) with the most senior 3 being *CCP-22*, with the other at *CCP-21*. See Council in the next area for other details.

<u>Managers</u>: An assortment of managers who carry out policies from the *Ministers* and *Council*. See Managerial Pensionaries in the next area of this section.

~~~ Couny/Shire ~~~

<u>Prefects</u>: ~*CCP-20*~ The highest position within the County or Shire and elected from the *County/Shire Council* in a similar manner as the *Chief Executive Director*. The prefect do not set policies, which is the function of the Council. *See Order of Succession in this area*

<u>County/Shire Councilmembers</u>: ~*CCP-19/18*~ There are 9 seats for each *Provincial Council*, and function to maintain order and governance of the *Province*. Ranked in seniority (longest holding the seat) with the most senior 3 being *CCP-19*, with the other at *CCP-18*. See Council in the next area for other details.

<u>Managers</u>: An assortment of managers who carry out policies from the *Ministers* and *Council*. *See Managerial Pensionaries in the next area of this section*.

~~~ Township ~~~

<u>Mayor</u>: ~CCP-17~ The highest position within the *Township* and elected by and from the *Township Council* in a similar manner as the *Chief Executive Director*. See Order of Succession in this area.

Township Councilmembers: ~*CCP-16/15*~ Councilmembers may number as 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13 or 15 generally at 1 less than the number of *Communities* with a minimum of 3. Ranked in seniority longest holding the seat) with the most senior 3 being *CCP-16*, with the other at *CCP-15*. See Council in the next area for other details. Also see Township in the Details & Options section.

Managers: An assortment of managers, including Communitee Managers (see Communities in the Details & Options section), who carry out policies from Ministers and Council. See Managerial Pensionaries in the next area of this section.



Agency Hierarchy: Each agency maintains its own structure to fulfill their function. The general hierarchy branches from the Premier (the primary minister of the agent) and their deputy.

<u>Under-Ministers</u>: ~*CCP-16*~ Department heads within any agency (*Independent and Dependant*), and holds the title of *Under-Minister of [department]*.

<u>Managers</u>: An assortment of managers who carry out policies from the *Ministers* and *Council*. *See Managerial Pensionaries in the next area of this section*.

<u>Premiers</u>: ~CCP-21~ Principle administrative managers (primary minister) of *Independent Agencies*. Each of the agencies has one, and their title is set by the agency as *Premier Minister of [Agency]. Premiers* do not set policy. They function as administrative lead for the agency they are placed, carrying out policies and directives from *Parliament* and the associated *Council* for the agency.

<u>Deputy Premiers</u>: ~CCP-20~ Assistant to the *Premier Minister*, and is selected by the Council in normal manner with Parliamental acceptance.

Councilmembers: ~CCP-19~ Each Independent Agency has a Council with 9 Councilmembers, selected by Parliament. Collectively, Councilmembers give general direction of policy to the Premier of their agency. See Councils in Governing Details area of this section.

Executive Ministers: ~ CCP-18~ Principle administrative manager of each *Dependant Agency*.

<u>Lieutenant Ministers</u>: ~*CCP-17*~ Deputy to the *Executive Minister*.







* * * Governing Details * * *

Accountability: Each agency is accountable for their activities, with management holding responsibilities. Ministry of Legal Affairs, Standards & Safety Commission and Marshall Corps works together (collectively known as Tracking Agencies), though holding independent investigations for overlapping accountability.

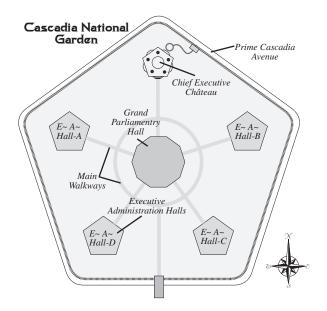
Library of Cascadia maintains all archive records for the agencies including classified materials and is used for references during investigations of malpractice. Review Panels having 3 members from each of the 3 Tracking Agencies, making 9 Evaluators, having full access. All Evaluators will have to have appropriate clearances. Those found having criminal misconduct would face prosecution. If involving classified information, the proceedings will be within the Star Chamber, having 9 of the justices.

Appointees: See Political Appointees.

<u>Acquisition</u>: See Government Acquisitions & Contracts, as well as Finances in this area. Also see Production & Acquisition Commission in the National Agency portion of this section.

Bellevue (Capital): The area east of Lake Washington, south of Highway 522, north of I-90 and east of I-405 became the capital of Cascadia, with the *Cascadian National Garden* being constructed on the crest of what was called Clyde Hill (redesignated as *Cascadia Grand Mall*, leveled at 376' elevation over sea level of 1990). Other areas of old Bellevue were designated to bordering townships.

• Persons living within Bellevue capital would designate their primary voting residence in another province, since Cascadia Grand Mall is not a Township or associated to any Province, therefore not having official residencies. Even the Chief Executive Director would designate another Township as their primary voting residency. This may be owned property or associated with other family and friends. People holding living apartments within the Grand Mall would not own property. All of the Mall is considered governance, and residency is handled as such.



Border-Coastal Continuity: Each nation has the need to maintain defined borders and coal stole distinction from other nations, as well as control foreign trade within those distinctions. The *National Protection Corps* (a branch under the National Defense Commission) ensures continuity of national boundaries, interlinking responsibilities with other agency elements.

See Border-Coastal Protection entry in the Martial Affairs section.

- Protection of coastal and sea the region falls withing the Coastal Protection Corps of the Naval Force. These naval personnel conduct vessel inspections with Marshals, Standards & Safety Commission, National Economic Commission and Ministry of Foreign Relations to ensure compliance with Edicts.
- Land borders are patrolled by the *Border Protection Corps* of the *Ground Force*.
- Sheriff's maintain a Division of Border Sheriffs who works with the other agencies on legal enforcement of Edicts.
- Marshals (legal enforcement with the Sheriffs), Ministry of Foreign Relations (trade), National Economics Commission (businesses, customs, tariffs, etc.) and Standards & Safety Commission has specialized agents working with other agencies connected with matters within their function.
- All border authority agents, no matter the agency, will have consistent identification for continuities, overseen by the Standards & Safety Commission.

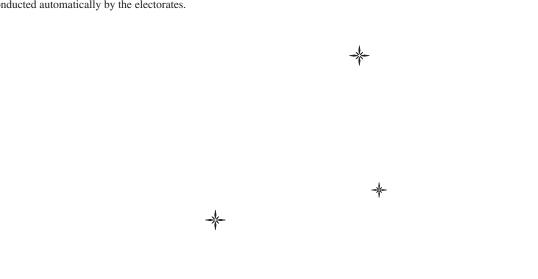
<u>Cascadian National Garden</u>: The central governance of Cascadia reside at this *Cascadia Grand Mall*, having the *Cascadia Nation Garden*, as Bellevue (old eastern Bellevue, Washington, Clyde Hill and Medina), and is independent from any *County/Shire* and *Province*. *See Bellevue in this area*.

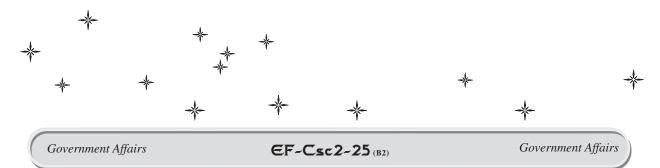
- The *Chief Executive Château*, resides on the north side of the garden. It has its own short road with loop, and is the only road leading into the garden. The *Château* is the tallest of the *Executive Administration Halls*, with the *Grand Parliamentry Hall* being a third taller.
- Central to the garden, is the *Grand Parliamentary Hall*. This is an administrative element of *Parliament*, allowing administrative interactions with the governance of Cascadia.
- On the south side is the primary entrance to the complex. Except for the executive entry for the chief *Executive Director* and their staff, this is the only general entrance.
- Within the garden, there are only 6 structures allowed. Around the road is the Prime Cascadia Avenue, linking other parts of the city with the complex. The complex is surrounded by a combination brick and rod iron wall-fence of 9 foot height, allowing limited viewing from the outside.
- Executive Administration Halls are a third shorter than the Chief Executive Château, and no more than 50% broader, all having similar Pentagon ground area.
- On the south side of *Prime Cascadia Avenue*, is a large public park area. A connecting bridge structure-building connects the public park to the *Cascadian Executive Garden* having a parking pull over morning zone.
- The garden has a scattering of trails, trees and bushes to give a pleasant atmosphere. Main walkways are covered. Other trails are not.
- Underground tunnels link the buildings, as well as the subterranean transit tunnel, offset from the garden complex, allowing administrators and staff access.



Chief Executive Director: The *Director* is the highest of the government officials and elected from *Parliament Senators* by all the Senators, patterned after the *Catholic Pope Conclave*. The *Director* has limited role as the head manager of Cascadia, and is no long part of legislation, though may set policies not interfering with *Edicts*.

- The *Director* has *no vetoing authority* of *Edicts* from *Parliament*, nor are they directly associated with the creation of *Edicts*. This removes the person further from political influences, allowing them to manage the nation more clearly. They may address *Parliament Houses* or the *Star Chamber*, should they feel changes are needed.
- In selection of the *Director* by *Parliament*, separated from public elections, the *Director* is separated from direct political wrangling and may consentrate on running the nation. The *Senitors* are elected as a prospect for becoming the *Director*. In this mannor they function in a mannor to delgates selecting *Presidents* of the *Former U.S.*, with the added presumption that more Senators would respect *their selection*, reducing discourse of the offices.
- Critics of not voting for the Chief Executive Director are reminded of the delegate process of the Former U.S. and that the people only elected political party delegates who decided for them. Cascadia's the election of the Director is done by representatives fully elected by the population. Also, it is emphasized that the Director has no direct authority in creating Edicts, and is focused to the running of the nation without the need for constant campaigning. Each 4 years, a confidence vote is conducted automatically by the electorates.









Chief Executive Director (cont.):

- As with Senators—as this person once was—the Chief Executive Director are not allowed personal real estate property, company shares or such, so to help reduce conflicts of interest on their duty to the nation.
- The Director is provided an executive home (Chief Executive Château, nickname Chief's House). There are 4 administrative offices building (Cascadia Executive Hall), all reflecting baroque architecture, and part of the Cascadian Ministration Plaza, the core of the Cascadian National Executive Park, having a series of gardens interconnecting buildings to hold agency administrations.
- The *Director* requires a staff to function, inclusively called the *Chief Staff Assembly*, more casually the *Chief Assembly*. The budget for this staff is equal to the staffing budget of each House of Parliament. All rules for the House of Parliament applies to the *Chief Assembly*.
- The director has the residence at the Chief Executive Château, and allowed a staff for the residence as each Senator has a staff for their residency.
- The Chief Staff Assembly is overseen by the Chief Châtelain, appointed in the same manner as Parliament Châtelains, holding similar function and authority over the staff for the Chief Executive Director.
- There were several reasons for removing the *Chief Executive Director* from the *Edict* creating process. The *Director* is to manage the nation, including the *Martial Forces*, not for creation of policy. Removing the position from the process removes campaign pressures, letting them focus on responsibilities critical to the nation. It also removes them from political influences for decision-making regarding *Edict* creation. The *Director* may submit suggestions for *Edicts* to *Senators*, who would then draft proposals. In the past, the *President* of the *Former U.S.* was often distracted with the creation of law, often being influenced by the process, drawing them from more important elements of governance.

- Criticism of the *Director* coming from the *Senators* of *Parliament*, and not directly elected by the voting population, is countered by the view that *Senators* have time to gain experience of running the nation as a group, where governors and other political positions have less national experience.
- Direstors have the authority to direct the Ministry of Martial Affairs against foreign aggression by appointing Theator/Field Martials, setting clear and concise objectives. The National Deffence Commission and Pariament have oversight authority, and is able to hault and adjust objectives. The role of the Director in any conflict is to set general objectives.
- See Order of Succession in this section should the Director die or resign, becomes incapacitated or otherwise unable to serves.

<u>Classification</u>: Cascadia adopted much of the classifications from the Former U.S.

- *Unclassified* (*UC*): No sensitive materials to any elements of operations or continuity.
- Confidential (CN): Limited, and non-life-threatening, sensitivity to personnel.
- Secret (SC) exposure may cause reduction of capability.
- Top Secret (TS) involves exposure causing serious harm to operations or continuity. There are 3 levels of top-secret materials. TS-I is for tactical situation operations and continuity that would be fully jeopardized. TS-II involves theater strategic operations and continuity that would be at risk. TS-III is for threats of national operations and continuity.

<u>Commissions</u>: Established by Parliament, Commissions may be a separate agency, or be divisions within a *Bureau* or *Ministry*, depending on the their function. Each Commission will have a council.

Governance & Lifestyles

The governance and placement of Edicts or Ordinance are to bring harmony and continuity between communities and people, not to press conformity of standards that hinder unique qualities of people and their lifestyle. In Cascadia, unique blending of people and thir ability to live as they see fit shall never be hampered by standardization. For that reason, Edicts shall not impose policies that would hinder unique lifestyles, and local Ordinance shall not imply limited views. The nation, nor any Province, County/Shire or Township shall set Ordinance that would impose lifestyle qualities, no matter the majority.

Governance may establish policies ensuring harmony and continuity, though not to the expense of the diversity of unique lifestyle. To protect personal and family liberties, the creation of Edicts or Ordinance shall always consider the influence on unique lifestyles. Some standardization – like citizen identification medallion/cards and requirements for driving certificate are found necessary, and do not hinder or interfere with personal lifestyles. However, declaring standardization of family relations among those who reached the Age of Commitment or has guardian permission does interfere and hinder personal lifestyles, and shall not be imposed. People of governance must always consider these influence when setting policy.

The right of people to have unique lifestyles may not be hindered by others based on implied protection of the people, or that protection become the reason for imposing one's personal standard on others so to restrain all people to a social conformity.





Continual Elected Positions: The founders saw problems of periodic elected positions and worked to show the natural corruptibility of that method, replacing it fully. There was a struggle and many left Cascadia instead of becoming part of it. Later, some of those returned to Cascadia with the waves of others that did so.

It was seen that a great amount of time, energy, effort and monies were spent on getting reelected, drawing them from running the nation. Great efforts of past politicians were spent on campaigning than to function within the position they were originally elected for.

For that reason, all elected positions within Cascadia are continual without frequent reelections, and streamline the number of elected positions to those having authority of policy making. Though having a considerable resistance within the population at, it was seen that periodic reelections created a very costly and corruptible system. Cascadia took efforts to reduce that environment. Those *positions are not considered permanent* and there are several avenues for achieving elected replacements.

The reduction of elected positions reduce the inflated bureaucracy that contain many positions for the benefit of politicians and not the population electorates. Establishing the *Township* as the base of electoral district brought the government back to the *Community*, eliminating redrawing of electoral districts to fit the politician. These and other factors work together to establish a cohesive system.

Making elections of seated positions reactionary each 4 years with any challenger having to gain 15% signatures from the population and 2/3rd votes, reduces the actual time needed for Senators and *Councilmembers* to respond to maintaining their position, allowing them to function in maintaining governance and suitable legislation.

Without automatic, reoccurring periodic elections for positions, and only 4 levels of elected positions, the governance of Cascadia has greater streamlining qualities.

Contractors: See Government Acquisition & Contracts in this section.

<u>Councils</u>: Independent *Bureaus*, *Ministries* and *Commissions* have councils overseeing the organization and setting policies not dictated by Parliament. There are usually 9 member and any actions have to have a full agreement of $2/3^{rd}$ (6+) of the seats, not just the quorum.

The members of each council elect one of the own at $2/3^{\rm rd}$ acceptance to be the *Premier*. If they are unable to settle the matter, a higher council will, or Parliament.

- Councils oversee the operation of the agency, setting funding and policies under the decrees of Parliament.
- Councilmembers will elect one of their own to be Chamberlain, who maintains order and conduct of the Council (acting as chair, a term of the past).
- All Council positions are continual, replaced in normal proceedings after dies or found incompetent by 2/3rd of each of the *Houses* of *Parliament*. There are usually 9 seats, though there may be more. Since the votes must have 2/3rd agreement, there will be in 3 seat increments; 12 or 15. Larger councils are seen to be more dysfunctional, so 9 is a common level and 15 is the largest. Very small entities may have 6, or event only 3 member Councils.
- All actions of the Councils are to be agreed by 2/3rd of the seats (usually 6 of 9), even if there is a vacant seat. Voting is suspended if there is a vacancy. Councilmembers do not have to be present for a vote, but their seat will be considered in opposition (nay).
- Councils may create directives that do not conflict with Parliament edicts. Councils may not create edicts, which is the exclusive right of Parliament.



 Province and County/Shire councils have 9 members each and are elected by the population they serve.

Countering Mob Rules: Throughout history, those uniquely different than the homogenized, conforming numbers of the population have been ridiculed as marginal, miscreants, inferior and such. Cascadia Founders did not feel this was the case, seeing great value in the uniqueness of these varied people. In doing so, they removed the general use of minorities from their terms, replacing it with *Uevarity (Uevarities* plural), a term formed from *Unique* and *Versatile*, even *Rare*. The founders established an assortment of protections for the *Uevarity* with some are presented here.

Also see Communities in the Details & Options section.

- The Star Chamber has the mandate to prevent mob rule, protecting those considered unique and varied from the greater numbers of the population. Magistrates have the same mandate to ensure protection of those unique persons from larger groups that may to stifle their uniqueness and association within the nation.
- The Standards & Safeties Commission shall ensure that no agency or group shall prevent equitable service to all people, even those considered *Uvarity*.
- Community Managers shall ensure the residents are protected and have peace of mind. If there are problems, they are to work to resolve them. If needed, they may enlist government agencies, Magistrates, Sheriffs and Marshals to alleviate stresses between peoples for the protection and well-being of the population, even Uevaities.

Customs Enforcement: See Sheriff Commission.



<u>**Debt (National):**</u> See National Economics Commission within the Government Agencies area of this section.

Edicts: See entry in the Details & Options section.

Financial Control of Agencies: To restrain overspending within the agencies, several measures are enacted by *Parliament*. Within each agency, *Financial Coordinators* handles the purchasing as directed by the agency's managers. These persons are assigned by the *National Economic Commission*, not the departments they function within. In this way, agency managers are unable to pressure inappropriate acquisitions. Financial status reports and reviews are issued by the *Financial Coordinators* to the *Standards & Safeties commission* and the *National Economics Commission*, with both reviewing areas that could be trimmed.

Appropriate precautions for sensitivity will be taken, and security clearances applied.

Also see National Economics Commission for handling of national debt.

Foreign relations: International trade and tourism had been building since the decline of 2030 to 2050s, yet there are still considerable tensions around the globe.

- Cascadia handles traveling between countries through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and that agency issues and controls passports/visas. This agency also ensures Cascadia citizens detained in foreign nations gain full support and legal assistance without delays.
- Any national detaining of Cascadian citizens without suitable due process shall come under the scrutiny of the *Minister* of *Foreign elations*, *Parliament* and the Star chamber, and may strain relations with the involved nation, invoking trade restrictions, penalties and other sanctions. This includes any Cascadian citizen becoming missing in foreign lands.



Government Affairs

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Government Affairs





Government Acquisition & Contracts: The government manufactures most supply needs for the operation of the nation, including vehicles, roads, buildings, furniture, office supplies, etc. The *Production & Acquisition Commission*, under the oversight of the *Executive Ministry* has some *Discretionary Funds* to purchase from civilian companies. Those contractors have strict monitored restrictions to reduce favoritism.

Also see Financial Control of Agencies in this area.

<u>Civilian Contracting</u>: Parliament has set limitations on how much a single civilian company will profit from purchasing by any and all government agencies.

- There will be no long term contracts drafted by the government with any civilian companies and any contract is for a specific purchase and set quantity. Any inability to fulfill contracts is considered a breach of contract and may be seen as criminal if found fraudulent.
- Contracts for any private company will be no more than 3 years and is set by *Parliament* by category grouping of items in order to reduce favoritism. Companies granted contracts for a period of time may not submit for contracts on the same category for 6 years, so to distribute contracts to a broader number of companies. Smaller, local companies have advantage of lower levy rate to allow for greater competition.
- Companies hadt were overrun on contracts for any reason or produce unsuitable products (as determined by the Standards & Safeties Commission) will not be able to bid on other government contracts for 15 full seasons. An appeal to this decision may be filed with Parliament and reviewed by any of the Houses.
- Purchases beyond the agency's Discretionary Funds will need approval of the Production & Acquisition Commission, overseen by the National Economic Commission and Parliament. These Requests of Purchase could be filed to any of the 3 Houses for a Purchasing Edict with Funding (coming from the Houses Discretionary Funds). where the Senators of the House would listen to the request, review information brought to them, interview parties involved and maybe go to the private companies for demonstration. Sensitive requisition (from Martial Affairs, etc.) would be part of a closed-classified hearings. A favorable vote of 2/3rd majority of the House (16 of the 24 seats) is needed to gain the funding.
- Each *House* has control of their own *Discretionary Funds*. If the *Request of Purchase* exceeds an amount of $1/30^{th}$ of *House's Discretionary Funds*, then 2 houses have to have $2/3^{rd}$ majority approval. Any Request for amounts exceeding $1/15^{th}$ needs all three *Houses* to have $2/3^{rd}$ approval.
- Cost overruns accrued by the company is picked up fully by the company. Alterations to projects needed by government parties, approved by oversight, may accrue and would be picked up by the government. Oversight of any overruns will be reviewed by agents randomly selected from within the Standards & Safety Commission. Also see National Partnership Commission in the national agencies portion of this section.
- Any purchases or project funding exceeding the quarterly Discretionary Funds must have a Special Purchase Request Edict with Bond Funding, and be approved by 2/3rd of all 3 Houses.

Government Partnership Companies: See National Partner Committees in this section.

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hip The rights of the people to conduct their lives without harassment by other persons, the press or any institution shall not be infringed, nor shall they be harried by unrequested solicitations.



Government Pensionaries: Officially called *Cascadia Civil Pensionary* (CCP), these are all personnel of the Cascadian government, including the Chief Executive Director, Senators, civil personnel (mainly called *staffers* and *officiaries*), janitor.

Income: The pensionaries pay into the civil retirement-insurance fund (see separate entry) to provide civil continuity and support for the nation, adding to the income average.

Identification: All Pensionary's, including Sheriffs, Marshals and military personnel are issued a general government identification card with pertinent information and tamper-resistant qualities. This is in addition to their citizens card/medallion and any agency credentials/badges. The general identification card does not specify which agency the Pensionary is assigned to.

<u>Pensionary Categories</u>: The government recognizes several categories of staffers and officiaries and are shown here.

- General pensionaries includes office clerks and janitorial.
- Legal pensionaries are the Sheriffs, Marshals, Justices, Prison Wardens/guards, Justice Magestrate/Wardens, etc. Some who are in more hazardous assignments gain compensation.
- Martial pensionaries are the legionnaire and support staffers. Those with hazardous assignments have specific compensations. Martial ranks have a Cascadia Civil Pensionary (CCP) Pay Schedule relation, gaining Step increases
- *Ministration Officiary* pensionaries includes *Senator* and managers and are ranked higher than *General Staffers*.
- Technical pensionaries are ranked higher than general for their knowledge and includes computer programmer, medical doctors, nurses and lab technicians.

Pay Schedule: All CCP, from janitors to the Chief Executive Director, are paid on a *Rank-Step Scale*, an evolution of the *Former U.S. GS system*. The chart shows the pay schedule without steps. The main pay is for the month based on 120 hours (6-hour days, 4-day weeks, 5-week month). Half the pay rate is issued on the 7th or 8th and again on 21st or 22nd of each month. *See Calendar in th Details & Options section*.

- Parliament sets the CCP pay schedule, and is scaled from the Base Scale Rate (8.5% in 2067) plus Inversion Scale Adjustment related to the Least Civil Wage (LCW) also set by Parliament, rounded to higher casca. In 2067, LCW was C£6.50 (C£1,040 for 160 hours each Cascadian month). This makes CCP-1 monthly income C£1,141 (C£1,040 × the sum of 8.5% (Base Scale Rate) and 1.2% (Inversion Scale Adjustment) to the power of the Pentionary rank). Any changing of the values for Pensionary income requires Parliament and Star Chamber with 2/3rd approval.
- The *Inversion Rate* is a percentage (%) addition to the *Base Scale Rate* to reduce high end scale doubling effect. This addition is applied to Pensionary groupings of 3, ranging from 0.1% for CCP-34, CCP-35 and CCP-36 to 1.2% for CCP-1, CCP-2 and CCP-3 (*see Monthly CCP Pay Schedule chart*). This is part of the calculation to prevent over scaling of *Pensionary* income rates that would cause greater gains to higher positions, creating a broader spread.
- Each 2 years, by the second season, the Statistics & Licensing Commission shall certify income perspective of citizens within Cascadia, issuing a report to Parliament. This report is used to adjust the Pensionary pay scale. This report also has the Least Civil Wage, use for the root of Pensionary pay scale, and is calculated at 70% of a reasonable comfortable 5-member family living income, rounded up to the next 0.50 Casca. The top Pensionary rate is calculated to be within 3% of what the average top 20% income of Cascadia. The Base Scale Rate and

Inversion Rate are set to scale within that range for the 36 pensionary ranks.

Monthly CCP Pay Schedule		
<i>CCP-1</i> : C£1,141 _{1.2%}	CCP-13: C£3,305 _{0.8%}	CCP-25: C£8,765 _{0.4%}
CCP-2: C£1,252 _{1.2%}	CCP-14: C£3,612 _{0.8%}	CCP-26: C£9,545 _{0.4%}
<i>CCP-3</i> : C£1,373 _{1.2%}	CCP-15: C£3,948 _{0.8%}	CCP-27: C£10,395 _{0.4%}
<i>CCP-4</i> : C£1,501 _{1.1%}	CCP-16: C£4,253 _{0.7%}	CCP-28: C£11,032 _{0.3%}
CCP-5: C£1,645	CCP-17: C£4,643 _{0.7%}	<i>CCP-29</i> : C£12,003 _{0.3%}
<i>CCP-6</i> : C£1,803 _{1.1%}	CCP-18: C£5,071 _{0.7%}	<i>CCP-30</i> : C£13,059 _{0.3%}
CCP-7: C£1,964 _{1.0%}	CCP-19: C£5,441 _{0.6%}	CCP-31: C£13,809 _{0,2%}
CCP-8: C£2,150 _{1.0%}	CCP-20: C£5,937 _{0.6%}	CCP-32: C£15,010 _{0.2%}
<i>CCP-9</i> : C£2,354 _{1.0%}	<i>CCP-21</i> : C£6,477 _{0.6%}	CCP-33: C£16,316 _{0.2%}
CCP-10: C£2,554 _{0.9%}	CCP-22: C£6,925 _{0.5%}	CCP-34: C£17,189 _{0.1%}
CCP-11: C£2,794 _{0.9%}	CCP-23: C£7,549 _{0.5%}	CCP-35: C£18,668 _{0.1%}
CCP-12: C£3,057 _{0.9%}	CCP-24: C£8,228 _{0.5%}	<i>CCP-36</i> : C£20,273 _{0.1%}

The monthly <code>Base Pay Schedule (Step-1)</code> for each <code>Rating</code>; figured as <code>(Base Scale Rate + Inversion Rate, B)</code> to the power of the CCP Rank (C) \times C£1,040, rounded up. CCP-11 of C£2,794 is figured from 1.094 (8.5% + 0.9%). The 1.094 to the power (B^c) of 11 (for the rank) = 2.68652287~. That result is then multiplied by C£1,040 to get 2,793.983~, which is rounded up C£2,794.

Personal Times & Benifits: All stated pay, personal time, etc. described in the *Employee* entry of the *Detail & Options* section applies here, including increases at 5 and 10 year increments.

Regional-Field Adjustment: Some Counties/Shires have a higher cost of living for certain fields. For this reason, there are regional bonuses added to the monthly pay, set as a percentage of their full pay rating.

The *cost of living bonus* (a value gained as a multiple to the normal schedule) is effected by the adjacent *Counties/Shires* and is an average of the central and adjacent *Counties/Shire*. The averaging is done, assuming the pensionary many be living in adjacent *Counties/Shires*. The adjustment may lower the monthly pay, should the average *County/Shire* cost of living is lower the national average.

Standard Service Week: With the shorter weeks of Cascadia (60 6-day weeks), the standard service week (work week) is 32 hours, often four 8-hour days. See Employment in the Details & Options section for night differential, overtime, etc.





Government Pensionaries (cont.):

Step Promotions: All Pensionaries, including the *Chief Executive Director*, holds the *CCP Rating* for the position.

- CCP Rated Positions (CCP-1 to CCP-13) have exam sheets associated with them. The Pentionary requires 14 correct answers of the 20 questions to be passed (70%).
- The exam evaluations are done in the same manner as voter and school knowledge evaluation (see Elections and Education in this section), having periodic updates. The number of passed sheets for Step increases would be equal the next Step (e.g.; there has to be 7 passing sheet in the file to make Step-7). There is no time limit. The pensionary doesn't make Step increases until they achieve the needed number of passed testes. Only passed evams are files. The others are emediately shreaded. In February each year, the lowest scoring and eldest sheets (2 in all) will be removed and shreaded in the presence of the pensionary. This requires the pensionary to pass at least 2 exams a year for Step promotions. Mishandling of personal records is a criminal offence as fraud.
- As part of the evaluation; Superintendants, Supervisers and experienced Staff (Step-5+) submit questions in their field for integrations into future exams. They also critique submisions compiled. In this manner, they help create the exams, as well as learn from them.
- Being assigned and monitored directly by Councils or voting citizens, *Managers*, *Ministers* and other *Officuaries* (CCP-14+) are not rated, and not subject to evaluations, gaining regular step increases each 2 years.
- Supervisory evaluations are due within the first month of each season for the previous season, reviewed by the Superintendant. Unfavorable evaluations are reviewed by the Manager, and the superviser's skills are also reviewed. Pensionary may request an IG (Inspectory General) Review of unfavorable evaluation.
- *CCP-Step* increases pay is 6% the precious step, with the *Step-1* being the listed amount for the rank pay. The next *Step* is gain when the pensionary has completed the number of season equal to the Step number.
- Step increase schedule is based on the Step as the full seasons (quarter year) in that Step, subject to favorable reviews and testing. Pensionaries will go from Step-1 to Step-2 on the first day of the first month after 2 full seasons in the rank. Step-3 is gained after an additional 3 full seasons, Step-4 after the next full seasons, and so forth.
- *CCP Rating* advancement is done as normal promotional achievement for the positions. When advancing in CCP, the new would be *Step-1*, or at 3 *Steps* higher than previous pay rate, should the prior prossition pay.
- Elected officials are excempt from Supervisory and Step Evaluations.

<u>International Treaties</u>: The *Chief Executive Director* may be part of international treaty negotiations, or assign a representative.

- As part of the negotiations, 3 Senators, one from each House, would be part of team sent for such negotiations. Final approval requires two thirds majority in all 3 Houses of Parliament.
- No treaty may alter Cascadia policies, including handling of international trade and business companies.

Lifetime Appointments: See Continual Elected Positions.

Order of Succession: There are no direct vises for the Chief Executive Director, Governor, Prefect or Mayor. The highest positioned Senator of each House of Parliament (*Prime Senators*) acts as Pro Tempore for the Chief, where the most senior of the associated Councilmember acts as Director Regent until a full Director is selected by Conclave.

The following is the *Succession Order* of the *Chief Executive Director*. The other positions (Governor, Prefect or Mayor) are filled by the associated Councils in order of seniority until a vote is done for permanent seating of a Director (*see Selection Conclave in this area*).

Depending of the permanence of the incapacitation, Pariament/Councils may have to elect another for the position permanently. Until that is done, the seat is fill by the Pro Tempore.

- Prime Senator of Parliament's First House.
- Prime Senator of Parliament's Second House.
- Prime Senator of Parliament's Third House.
- Senator with the highest seniority in order within all the houses.

<u>Pledges</u>: See Pensionary Oath of Service in this area within the pensionary entry. Also see Cascadia Oath of Allegiance in the Details & Options section, as well as the Marshal Affairs section for military personnel oath.

Managerial Pensionaries: There are a variety of government pensionaries that is considered managerial from the Chief Executive Director to entry level staff. Some are presented in the Government Pensionaries entry in the Details & Options section. Higher government functions are outlined in this area with more specifics for individual positions.

No managerial position shall have the title Director. That designation is reserved for the Chief Executive Director of Cascadia.

<u>Prime Manager</u>: ~CCP-17~ The principal administrative manager for each Independent Agencies, handling affairs directly from the *Premier*, carrying out directives.

Deputy Manager: ~CCP-16~ The associate to *Prime Managers*. There are 2 *Deputy Managers* for each Independent Agency.

Executive Manager: ~CCP-16~ The principal manager of each department within the agency, reporting to *Under-Ministers*, handing administration affairs.

<u>General Manager</u>: ~CCP-15~ The head of sections within departments of agencies, reporting to *Executive Managers*. This person will have any number of *Staff Managers* to assist them with their duties.

<u>Staff Managers</u>: ~CCP-14~ Associate managers to the general managers for their departments or sections. They would manage a number of *Superintendent*, who in turn would oversee the *Supervisors* of *Staff* for their area. This inclued *Communitee Managers*.



Ministers: In Cascadia, Ministers (Premier or Deputy) are the top positions of independent agencies. The highest Minister of an agency is the **Premier**, and would be appointed by Parliament. See Hierarchy area earlier in this section.

When there is a vacancy, Deputy Ministers and each of the 9 Councilmembers of agencies who wishes the position would be eligible for becoming the new Minister. This will allow up to 10 persons to be reviewed for the position.

Personnel files of candidates shall be assembled by Thursday of the full week after vacancy and delivered to the Châtelain of the *Grand Parliamentary Hall* at the capital. Each *House* will send a *Senator* from each of the *Provinces* to review and question applicants. The assembled *Senators* has 3 weeks review the candidates, voting by the end of the third week for each of the candidates by signing the Certificate of Selection (the document announcing the selection for Ministers) The candidate with the highest Yeas will take position as the new Minister of the agency. No outside personnel will be considered, ensuring that Ministers have experience with in the agency.

Should the collected *Senators* be tied on the selection, *Senators* of each house who had yet not sign the *Certificate* will have a chance to do so. If there is still not a suitable number of signatures to break any ties, the *Star Chamber* justices may sign. If still in balance, the *Chief Executive Director* will sign one of the certificates of their choice, and the others shall be marked as declined by the primary *Châtelain*.

If Senators feel it necessary to replace a seated Minister, a vote of incompetence would be brought to any of the Houses by 7 Senators within the House declaring the need to remove the Minister in the form of a Removal Certificate of Position. The Châtelain will conduct 2+ rounds of debate on the subject (voting to continue after the second round), then call the House to vote for incompetence of the Minister. If 18 Senators vote Yea for removal, the Minister is immediately suspended, and the seat is considered vacant until normal proceedings for filling the Minister's position is conducted.

Another *House* may counter the removal decision with its own 2/3rd majority vote to retain the current *Minister*. If successfully blocked, the third *House* who has not made a decision shall have their own vote of competency with 2/3rd majority saying yea for removal to uphold the decision for removal.

The *Minister* remains suspended until a decision is made. Should the final *House* agree for the removal, this seat becomes vacant. Otherwise, the suspension is lifted and the Ministers go back to their function.

Mob Rules: Seek countering mob rules in this section.

<u>National Companies</u>: See National Partnership Committee in the Government Agencies area of this section.

<u>National Debt</u>: See National Economic Commission in the Government Agencies area of this section.

Pensionary Oath of Service: Each Pensionary, from the lowest to the highest, gives the Oath upon becoming a Pensionary, this includes all elected officiaries. *See Pensionary in this section.*

"I solemnly apply my duties to the position I'm functioning within, abiding by all Edicts of Parliament; ensuring proper, equitable application to all citizens no matter my personal views. I shall defend the principles of all Great Proclamations. I take this Oath freely and without reservations with all my heart, body, mind and being."

Political Appointees: Certain positions (including Ministers) specified by agency directives and *Edicts* are appointed by the governance. Selection of such positions are done in the same manner as the Ministers (*see above*). There are variety of qualifications for this position.

No political appointees shall be selected to fill an elected position, no matter how temporary. Higher governance positions are filled from the *Councils* as outlined through the *Order of Succession*. Functioning of the councils with empty seats may continue, though the 2/3rd voting requirements is for the number of seats, not the number of persons present.

- Ministers are appointed by Parliament, not good Chief Executive Director. The Director must learn to work with the Ministers. If there are problems, the Director may address the Senators or take their issues to the Star Chamber, who with 2/3rd majority opens the position to be replaced another appointee.
- The Director may submit candidates to Senators of Parliament for consideration to sit on the Councils. The Senators will make the nomination on behalf of the Director.
- Appointments below Ministers level may be appointed by any of the Houses with 2/3rd majority. Other Houses may dispute the appointment by bringing another candidate to vote, and if holding 2/3rd majority in that House, the candidate goes to the final House for 2/3rd decision, with all Senators gaining Yea/Nay votes on all candidates. The candidate with the highest number of yeas fill the position. The procedures shall not take Parliament more than 10 weeks to settle. If not completed within that time period, the Chief Executive Director will seat and applicant as they see fit.

Premier: See Ministers in this area.





<u>Selection Conclave</u>: When the seat of the *Chief Executive Director* needs filling, or a desire to replace the *Director* is agreed upon by a 2/3rd of the *Senators* seats in a *Houses*, the Senators meet in their respective *Houses*, beginning the selection process, otherwise known as the *Selection Conclave*. The process was partially derived from the concept for selecting the Catholic Pope.

Upon declaration of the *Selection Conclave* (automatically declared upon the death or permanent incapacitation or absence of the *Chief Executive Director*), no other discussions outside of emergency actions for the benefit of the nation shall occur until the completion of the *Conclave*.

- The *Director Pro Tempore* (see Order of Succession) functions in the absence of the previous *Director* while the conclave is in progress. Any seated *Director* shall remain until replaced. The *Director Pro Tempore* is still part of the *Conclave*.
- As long as the *Director Pro Tempore* is acting, no other legislation may be accomplished, unless considered a national crisis granted by the *Star Chamber*.
- During the selection process for the next Chief Executive Director – selected from the seated Senators – each House will meet each day to deliberate the best qualified senator with in each House. On the third day, they will take a vote on all the candidates. The candidate with the most Yeas shall be submitted with a Certificate of Selection and all approving Senators shall sign that Certificate.
- Each *House* will have such a *Certificate*, and each of the other *Houses* will receive certificates from the other *Houses* in turn, each *House* having 2 days to deliberate the choice and sign the *Certificates* as they see fit. The *Certificate* with the most signatures of *Senators* shall declare the *Chief Executive Director*, with the other certificates marked by the *Châtelain* as being rejected. Should 2 or 3 *Certificates* have the same number of signatures, those *Certificates* shall go to the *Star Chamber* and each of the *Justices* shall sign *Certificates* as they see fit. If still not conclusive, the ranking *Châtelain* of all the *Houses* shall sign the Certificate of their choice, and that *Senators* shall become the *Chief Executive Director*.

Succession: See Order of Succession.

<u>Watch List</u>: See Suspect Bulletin Notification in the Marshall Corps entry of the next area of this section.



*** National Agencies ***

Every nation has the need for specialized elements for handling policies. Cascadia formed a series of agencies to keep equitable, balanced affairs for the citizens, as well as foreign affairs. Within this portion of the section, details of the agencies are presented.

Also see Agency Hierarchy earlier in the section.

Advanced Research Corps for Technology (ARCT): ~ Part of the *Science & Technologies Commission* ~ *ARCT* actively progresses the technology of Cascadia, having several departments and offices. This *Corps*, with the *Think Tanks*, stimulate innovations.

- Martial Department for Research (MDR), pronounced "m-dar, is a division of ARCT, having several offices associated with the Martial Forces for maintaining advanced technologies and superior strength of the Armed Forces.
- Non-sensitive developments are presented, and available for private acquisition through the Science & Technologies Commission for commercial use.



Airline Registration: See Transportation Commission in this section.

<u>Agriculture</u>: Overseen by the Standards & Safety Commission, with special agents doing fieldwork. Also see Subsidies in the Details & Options Section.

Acquisition: See Production & Acquisition in this section.

Banks: See Cascadia Treasury Banks for the national Bank.

Branch Libraries: See Libraries in the Details & Options section, as well as Library of Cascadia in this section.

Bureau of Civil Engineering: Maintains all roads, rails and government facilities not maintained by the *National Defence Commission*. All public transportation is conducted by this agency. The rails are leased to civilian traffic. Vehicle levels are based gross weight capacity.

- Civil Maintenance Teams are specialist groups deployed to inspect and repair roads, bridges and other civil structures and infrastructure. Team commanders determine if they are able to conduct repairs or have to defer it to another time due to impact on the citizens or other factors. Deferred work are filed to the Coordination Commander.
- Common domestic transportation (e.g.; buses, trams, elevated rail) is managed by the *Civil Transportation Commission* within this bureau. A variety of card and fobs are available, as well as a transfer tokens for cash usage.
- Coordination Commanders organize and institute civil project and complex repairs.
- Energy Councils also falls within this bureau and maintains all aspects of civil energy.
- Technology Council oversees development and controls of technology, ensuring Cascadia maintains high understanding, having the Energy Commission, Aerospace Commission, Robotic Commission, etc.
- Low interest Research Loans may be granted to businesses
 or educational institution for specific gaining of knowledge
 as needed by the agencies. Any such knowledge becomes the
 property of Cascadia government and all companies may pay
 royalties for the right to produce product from the knowledge.
 The initiating company is exempt from the royalties payment,
 but are still subject to the standard 15% levy on profits.

• Parliament had decreed that there would be no tolling of roads, bridges or other venue of transportation. Licensing fees are drawn for maintenance or improvement such venues. It was seen that the states and federal agencies of the Former U.S. used the tolls as a means to draw in more revenue and suppressed the people's ability to prosper, that the differences of the charges from the 1970s to the 21st Century when compared to the minimum wage became increasingly higher, place greater strain of the lesser income earners. Cascadia found it simpler to charge the licensing fees in relation to vehicle types and worth.

Bureau of Civil Services: Maintains a variety of services for Cascadian citizens. Each area has separate entries for details.

- Civil Loans Commission handles all government loans with Cascadian citizens and business. See it own entry on this section
- Postal Commission provides the national mail service. See separate entry in this section.
- The Statistics Commission tracks and validate the citizen, demographics and other related elements of the population, including voting status, property ownership and business shares. This commission also collects all statistical information to assist in governance of Cascadia. The collection and updating of information is perpetual and there is no specific scheduled census.
- Civil Service Commission oversees County/Shire Homes (see entry in the Details & Options section), as well as provide assistance for those in need.
- The Education Commission handles all aspects of the education within Cascadia. See separate entry in this section.
- Government Services Guidance Centers assists citizens to suitable services and agencies for their situation.

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Clause-I: No Edict shall establish religion, nor shall personal exercise of belief, religion, faith, or absence of faith, be restricted or abridged or construed as being imposed on other people.

Clause-II: Persons in public service shall not in action, or lack of action, be construed as pressing personal beliefs, religion, faith or principles onto other persons.

Clause-III: In keeping to the personal application of religious convictions – seeing faith as a private matter – no references to divine providence or divinity shall be presented in any Edict; monies; national presentation; Oath of Nationalization, martial services or public service; or in any manner related to the governance of Cascadia.

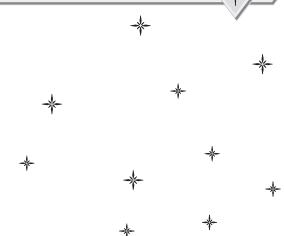




Bureau of Health: ~Independent~ Created to care for the medical needs of the citizens of Cascadia and foreign visitors, this bureau maintains a variety of facilities, as well and oversee private institutes.

Also see the Medical & Health and Private Medical Care in the Details & Options section.

- Medical Commission operates hospitals, clinics and mobile units. It's Prime Center is located in Medford, Pacific Province. This commission oversees the distribution of funding to the hospitals and clinics within the Bureau and well as payment to private facilities for emergency care for citizens.
- Pharmaceutical Commission oversees all aspects of medications, vaccinations and related elements in Cascadia.
- Mobile Units are vans, semitrailer trucks, trains, boats, ships and other vehicles deployed with persons to provide care in less populated areas and are part of the Medical Division.
- Disease Research Division oversees and conducts development
 of medical procedures and medication. They have the mandate
 not to just treat the conditions and ailments, but to work at curing
 them.
- The Medical Epidemic Commission (MEC), headquartered in Eugene, Oregon Province, oversee all aspects of the health of Cascadia, including emergencies, working with civil and private clinics and facilities, as well a Mobile Medical Centers and Emergency Response Teams.
- Mobile Medical Centers (MMC) travel the nation supplementing local resources when not responding to emergencies. See Medical & Health in the Details & Options section.
- Physician's step promotions are based on reviews and patient satisfaction.
- The Bureau maintains to high standards, overseen by the Standards & Quality Commission.
- Funding for this bureau is from Parliament, the *Health Duty* on private medical companies and copays from the patients.
- Each citizen reaching Age of Commitment (see Maturity in the Details & Options section) shall register their End of Life Request, detailing what will happen in the case of terminal conditions, and will include 3 persons who shall determine the removal of life support systems or treatments to let the citizen pass naturally, or euthanasia (forced ending of the life). Such determination of those under the Age of Commitment shall be agreed on by any and all parents/guardians. Also, 3 independent physicians must agree that there is no way to same the patient.
- The End of Life Request will have what is to be done with the remains, including organ donation, to science, burial or cremation. See Citizen Disposition Declaration in the Details & Options section.
- The maximizing of copay levels by this portion should not be a factor for proper medical care.
- This Bureau monitors private medical and health companies providing services to the citizen ensuring quality, compliance to Edicts and proper etiquette.
- Foreign visitors are covered by the departed for immediate health needs. Upon request for entry visa to Cascadia, the applicant pays a fee rated for the current cost to treat the all foreign nationals for the requested period of requested time in country and administration. Long term health needs discover are the responsibility of their home nation and once stable, will be returned to their nation of origin.
- Funding for the Bureau of Health comes from several sources, including 15% Health Levy drawn from private health institutions (including insurances, cosmetic clinics, etc.), 20% of drivers certificate fees, copays for medical services, Parliament funding, etc.



Bureau of National Partnerships: ~Independent~ Cascadia government may be shareholders within a business company. In regard to companies owned by people, the citizens of Cascadia are seen as the owners of the shares possessed by the governance, and legal responsibility for those shares is on the Bureau of National Partnerships, the National Economic Commission and Parliament and not the citizens themselves. Private shareholders of the company also have responsibility through the ownership of the shares they have.

Business companies in partnership with the Cascadian government are function through this *Bureau*, who maintains the governance ownership portions of those companies through committees created within *National Partnership Committees* within the *Bureau*. The *National Economic Commission* oversees the legitimacy and conduct of the governance and private portions within the company, ensuring suitability and proper behavior

See National Partnership Committees and National Partnership Commission. Also see X-Pize Competition in the Science & Technology section. Also see Mutual Ownership Foundations in the business entry of the Details & Options section.

- These Committees function within the *Bureau of National Partnerships*, and have *Trustee Stewards* on the *Councils of National Partnership Companies*, functioning with the *National Partnership Commission*.
- A Company Council of 9 members will be formed, no matter the size of the partnership, and 3 of the councilmembers will be assigned from the National Partnership Committee to the company. The government members of the committee will have no extra income beyond that of their government Pensionary level.
- Each Committee within this Bureau shall have 9 members, electing a Chamberlain, though not a Trustee, since they rotate from the Committee. Each member would sit on 1+ National Partnership Company Council, assembling reports of the company status.
- Each season, one of the governance representatives on the *Company Council* are changed during the first 2 weeks of the season, having a representative within the company council for 9 months each. This is to prevent possible corrupting influences.
- The National Partnership Company Council representatives, from the same committee in the local area as the head Home Office of the company. The committees function in a region that overlaps several Counties within the Provinces.
- National Partnership Commission oversees National Partnership Companies and the committees within the Bureau of National Partnerships, also overseen by the National Economic Commission. Also see Bureau of National Partnerships and National Partnerships Committees.



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Bureau of National Partnerships:

- Investments into the National Partnership Companies is by amount of share, including government inputs.
- Sales of shares are subject to the same year and a day ownership, including government owned shares. All other Edicts also apply. All owners may buy and sell as they see fit within the boundaries of Edicts. This allows the Council and citizen owners to sell shares as they see fit.
- National Partnership Companies owned income will be soly by an even distrobution though the number of share, having no other avinues of payment, not even bonuses. Proceeds payment allotted to the government by civil ownership of shares are distributed in 5 equal parts; one part going to Parliament's Discretionary Fund, another part to the National Economic Commission for support and oversight, another to the Bureau of National Partnerships. The Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund (see entry in the Details & Options section) gains the other 2 parts. As a Fund supporting contribution, where each citizen gains a credit of 1.5% of these 2 parts after division by population. This is not to exceed 3 times the weekly Least Civil Wage, so not to skew the rates excessively for future drop payments. Any excess is held and placed in the Civil Loans-Banking Service and accrues interest for the Fund.
- The portion of proceeds from the companies that goes to the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund will be distributed evenly in each account of the citizen, as part of the declared income, no matter the citizen's income. Lower income Citizens would have a greater effect on the Fund. In this way, each and every citizen who has reached the Age of Commitment will gain benefit for government involvement within companies. This funding helps maintain the support of the payment and governance. This differs from the direct payment that Alaska had from oil companies to residents, during the Former U.S. era. These payments allows the Funds for citizens to rise in value beyond just their contributions.
- Funding to Partnership Companiesny shares or infusing funding for growth, requires 2/3rd Commission Council majority and comes from the commissions fund. The Council may appeal to Parliament for additional funding.
- Any national partnership company shall be self-sufficient, and are subject to all levies and edicts as other companies, so to retain simplicity of oversight. Funding for buying company shares, or infusing funding for growth, requires 2/3rd Commission Council majority and comes from the commissions fund. The Council may appeal to Parliament for additional funding.
- Some of the National Partnership Companies are the Cascadian National Zoo (Portland, Oregon Province), and Uegene University of Science & Technologies.
- No perception of business favoritism of any *National Partnership Company* shall be tolerated.
- The commission maintains a legal advisory staff for such matters, and the committees have direct access to them. As an extension, the national partnership companies have access to the advisors through the trustee stewards without charges.
- Bona fide Cascadian companies, universities, governmence and other entities may possess copyrights, patents and trademarks, and grant others to have use of such intellectual property.

Bureau of Parks & Wilderness: ~*Independent*~ Oversees the preservation of wilderness and conduct within the parks.

Also see Parks in the details & options section, as well as Ministry of Environmental Integrity in this area.

• This Bureau is self funding with 50% of the service and licensing fees in the Council's control. The remaining 50% goes to the *Parliament Discretionary Fund*. These fees include fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, park/musium entry. They also gain 15% for private venters in there jurisdiction (the business is also responsible for the 15% business levy).

- Park Rangers and staff maintain centers and safety, with the authority to detail suspect for Sheriffs arrests.
- All trees of 90+ years of age are protected and may not be removed on civil or private land unless found unhealthy. In addition, all trees within 1,000 feet of the veneralable tree are afforded the same protection. In that way, old growth regions will expand. The Bureau handles trees found to be ill.
- In Forest Park regions, harvesting of trees have strict guidelines set by Parliament. Timber Conservation Office of the Bureau plots the harvesting areas and the number of trees to be removed. Due to the destructive natures of felling and removing trees, Cascadia adopted a modified Seedtree-Shelterwood method for commercial harvesting, where the company removes certain trees (usually around 2:3 ration of mature trees in a meandering strip of land some 15-20 trees wide and several miles long from road access, leaving standing trees along the way and to the sides for natural seed source regeneration. Foresters selects the harvest and seed trees. Having the staggered seed trees and canopy foliage, the areas are protected for regrowth. The selected trees are placed up for auction with the highest bidding company allowed careful removal of those selected trees only.
- Tree harvest strips are selected for optimum regrowth with no more than a portion taken based on the maturity of the trees. No harvesting of any kind is done in the wilderness regions.

Bureau of Stellar Explorations & Colonization: ~Independent~ Dubbed the Space Bureau, this agency was enacted in 2049 to handle all aspects of Cascadia ventured into space, including satellites, orbiting stations, lunar bases, mining of asteroid and colonization of other planets. The bureau oversee all conduct of companies and persons off planet.

See Stellar Progression section for Cascadia's ventured into space.

- In 2053, Cascadia constructed and sent the *Titan Alpha Center* and *Citadel* to orbit Saturn as a home base for stellar activity. Over the years, the facility was expanded.
- The Sheriffs and Marshals have special divisions for legal matter in space. The Ministry of Martial Affairs didn't have a direct function in space by 2067, but later the Stellar Martial Affairs Commission was enacted by Parliament.
- Funding for this Bureau comes from the 15% levies and tariffs on all business activities.

<u>Cascadia Climate Commission</u>: ~Dependent with in the Bureau of Civil Services ~ with the weather of Cascadia and the globe changing radically, this agency works to forecast the events, patterns and trends. They also work with the Logistics Climate Regiment of the Ministry of Martial Affairs.

Cascadia Hall of Records: ~Part of the Library of Cascadia~Maintains all public and official records and documents having historical and social significance for Cascadia. This agency functions with all other agencies in maintaining continuity and safekeeping of records.

<u>Cascadian National Exchequer</u>: Collection processes levees and monies with it with the agencies of the government, and interacts with business and citizens in relation to all levees for the government. End of file carriage return.





<u>Cascadian National Supply Corps</u>: A department function within the production & acquisition commission operating a series of factories, warehouses and distribution facilities to produce and supply a government agencies with materials; including office supplies, vehicle, etc.

 This agency maintains several production facilities with government pensionaries, producing products for government use and sale through the County/Shire Homes.

<u>Cascadian Treasury Bank</u>: Part of the national economic commission, this entity holds the minted currency not in circulation as a reserve to the capital bank/institution (*see business in the Details & Options section*) and *Civil Loans Commission*.

Also see Revenue in the Details & Options section.

Census Commission of Cascadia: See Statistics Commission.

Chemical risk: See medical-health commission in this area.

Chief Executive Director: See details at the beginning of this section.

Civil Insurance Commission: This agency handles insurance policies and by citizens and businesses, including other private insurers (*See Insurances in the Details & Options section*). They do not regulate private insurers. The *Standards & Safety Commission* oversees this agency as well as regulating and overseeing private insurers.

<u>Civil Investigation Corps</u>: ~Part of the Ministry of Legal Affairs~ Agents with the Corps investigates Civil Complaints & Injustices (see Legal Affairs & Structure section). In this way, private companies and government agencies are inspected for proper conduct.

- This agency has the authority by Parliament to set fines for misconduct, payable to the National Economic Commission.
- The Corps function with the Standards & Safety Commissions to uphold those standards, recommend alterations.
- Discovery of criminal activities are reported to the Sheriffs or Marshals.

<u>Civil Loans Commission</u>: All government loans are conducted by this commission, under the *Bureau of Civil Services*. This commission handles all loans from the government, including *Student* and *Business* loans to the citizens.

- The loan is associated with the student and may be linked to the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund of sponsors, most often parents and relatives, though may be any citizen. The sponsors are responsible for the loan should the student be unable to repay for any reason. Upon the death of a sponsor, their portion of the responsibly will be paid before insurance of the Insurance to the beneficiaries.
- Student loans are available to all Cascadian citizens, and unlike most other government loans, these are granted beyond the limits of the individual citizen, though limited by the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund of their sponsors. The lowest possible interest rate as set by Parliament are associated with these loans. The students has their entire life to repay the loan, or be paid upon death by the insurance portion of their Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund, or the funds of their sponsors. Also see Education in the Details & Options section.
- Business Loans are available through this commission for all citizens and are directly linked and limited to by the their Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund, or the Funds of sponsors. Interest of the loans are subject to the type of business and length of the loan. In 2067, the rates ranged from 2.82% (for 2 year, low risk) to 4.96% (12 year, high risk).
- The student must maintain a suitable attendance and criteria for the institution.

<u>Civil Services Commission</u> *~Dependant~* Opperates a variety of services to assist citizens with establishing a viable position within the Cascadia, mostly through the *County/Shire Homes*.

The cost of social services in the Former U.S. became cripling to the system and costly to the taxpayers. Cascadia saw the need to assist those in need and created the County/Shire Home to be a venue for them to seek assistance and for it to be cost effective. See County/Shire Homes entry in the Details & Options section for more information.

- Maintains the Count/Shire Homes where citizens may gain assistance for food, residency, employments, etc.
- Social Agents (the term for officiaries that handles social cases), May acquired goods from the County/Shire Home Liquidation Outlet for their charges.
- Agents arrange caring and programs to get the citizen in the
 position to a man within Cascadia as a functioning citizen within
 it. Charges are the citizens the agents are caring for. The goal
 is to gain stability for the charge. While a charge of the agent,
 the citizen is to work at bettering themselves, applying effort
 under the guidance of the agent. Lack of responsible effort, will
 reduce assistance.
- The time as a charge does accrue debt to society at CI-I interest level and is paid at the citizens comfortable rate as they recover.

<u>Civil Transportation Commission</u>: *Dependant*~ Maintains the busses, trams, trollies, elevated and ground rails, etc. providing many options for transportation.

<u>Civil Outreach Service (COS)</u>: A section within the *Bureau of Civil Services* that functions internationally to promote good standing with other nations, as well as conducting civil projects for Cascadia. Citizens may become associated with COS as a means to complete the 2+ years of *Civil Duty* (see separate entry in Details & Options section) for Cascadia.

<u>Commerce</u>: See National Economics Commission in this area.

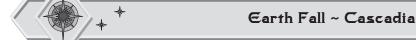
<u>Communications</u>: See Telecommunications Commission in this section.

<u>Copyright</u>: See Intellectual Property Commission. Also see Copyright, Patents and Trademeks in the Details & Options section.

<u>Debt</u>: See National Economics Commission in this section.

<u>Department of Interior</u>: See Ministry of Foreign Relations and Ministry of Territories (associated within the Executive Ministry).

Disease Research Ccommission: See Bureau of Health.







Domestic Land Commission: ~*Dependant*~ Oversees property not considered Parks or Wilderness, including ownership and use, whether residential and commercial. This *Commission* fall under the *Bureau of Civil Engineers*.

Economics: See National Economic Commission.

Education Commission: ~Dependant~ Part of the Bureau of Civil Services.

- *Civil Loans Commission* handles all government loans for education and all citizens was them available through the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- No grants are available from the government. All students are
 expected to gain future higher incomes and would pay back any
 loans from the government. Past use of grants to lower income
 for people who eventually make higher income was seen as
 unfair, since those with wealthier parents either paid out of
 pocket or took private loans.
- No private educational institution shall gain grants based on student enrollment.

Election Commission: ~Part of the Executive Ministry~ Overseeing most all functions of the Cascadian elections. See Elections in the Details & Options section.

The Star Chamber ensures proper conduct of this Commission.
 The Justices also ensure that Political Associations (see entry in the Details & Options section) do not restrict open and proper conduct of memberships.

Emergency/Crisis Response Teams: There are a variety of these teams functioning within Cascadia to react situations. Some are part of the Bureau of Health. Ministry of Martial Affairs have several as well See entry in the Details & Options section.

Employee Safety/Contuct: See Standards & Safety Commission.

Energy Commission: ~ *Dependant*~ Part of the *Bureau of Civil Services*, overseeing all aspect of energy in Cascadia, including hydroelectrical, fusion, wind, tidal and solar, and headed by the *Energy Commissioner* and deputy.

• Operates fueling stations around Cascadia.

Environmental Protection: see Bureau of Environmental Integrity.

Executive Director: See Chief Executive Director near the beginning of this section.

Executive Ministry: ~Independent~ This office overseeing general administration, supply, staffing, etc. This agency does not interfere with the specialization aspects of the Dependant Agency, only ensuring they have what is needed to achieve their mission.

This agency acts as the *Department of Interior* of the *Former U.S.* in that they ensure smooth harmony of the other agencies taking care of infrastructure and services. *They have no direct oversight of Independent Agencies*.

• This ministry if directly under the *Chief Executive Director* and is headed by the *Executive Minister* and the *Deputy*.

FAA: See Transportation Safety Regulatory Commission.

<u>Factories</u>: See Government Acquisition in this area. Also see Companies under businesses in the Details & Options section.

FCC: See Telecommunications Commission.

Foreign Trade Commission: ~Dependant~ Oversees the trade with Alley and Trade Nations. Companies may not do business with nations that do fall within those two classes of national relations. This Commission fall under the Ministry of Foreign Relations.

This commission does not negotiate with nations that do not fall within the *Ally* or *Trade Nation* status. That is handle by the *Ministry of Foreign Relations* and *Parliament*.

Marshall Corps has Foreign Trade Agents to ensure compliance and policies.

<u>Fueling Station</u>: See Energy Commission in this section.

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Clause-I: In all criminal prosecutions, the accused has the right to a speedy and public trial by an impartial jury of the district the crime had been committed with jurisdiction described by Edict.

Clause-II: The persons accused of criminal act shall be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation and to be confronted with the witnesses against them.

Clause-III: Persons accused of a criminal act has the right to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and have the qualified assistance of counsel for their defense

Clause-IV: Excessive bail shall not be required, nor shall excessive fines, or cruel or unusual punishment be imposed or inflicted.



Fusion-Coordination Stations (FCS): ~Part of National Defense Commission~ these stations, collectively associated under the Primary Fusion-Coordination Command Center functions to interlace all agencies during overlapping activities.

As a function of the *National Defense Commission*, they gain their authority directly from the *Defense Counsel* and *Parliament*, though has no jurisdiction to the management of other agencies. Their purpose is restricted to the coordinate of specific situations. In this way, they are limited in the overall national influences.

- FCSs have Mobile Command-Control Units for field operations, commonly referred to as Forward Operation Units.
- Liaison Operation Coordinators are commanders that hold operational authority. Each agency (Marshals, Sheriffs, National Intelligence Commission, Bureau of Health, etc.) would have Liaison Representatives for cohesive interlacing of operations.
- Bureau of Health has Mobile Medical Units that function independently, though may coordinate with the FCSs.

Government Services Guidance Centers: ~Dependent ~ Part of Civil Service Committee and required by Parliament, offices are located in each County/Shire and reachable by 1212 Telcom code. These Pensionaries assist in guiding citizens to suitable services for their situation. A situation case number (year – day of the year – tracking alpha-numerical code) is given to each guidance request. General information request do not gain a case number, though all calls/visits are registered.

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<u>House Offices</u>: ~*Independant*~ Each of the Parliament Houses has a "House Office" where the senators interface with the agencies and citizens, *First/Second/Third House Office*,

 Each House Office is headed by a House Minister (CCP-25) and their Vise House Minister (CCP-24), having staffers for conduction administrative function as directed by the senitors.

Information for the Public: See Social Services Commission.

Intellegence Agency: See National Intellegence Commission (NIC).

IRS: See Cascadia National Exchequer in this section.

Intellectual Property Commission: ~*Dependant*~ Functioning through the *Library of Cascadia*, this agency oversees all aspects pertaining to *Copyrights*, *Patents* and *Trademarks*, as intellectual property and segmented into those functions as "*Section Office of*—".

See separate entries in the Details & Options section for related elements and duration.

Legal matters: See Ministry of Legal Affairs.

Levies: see Cascadia National Exchequer in this section.

Library of Cascadia: The main complex for this inclusive body of intellectual works is in Olympia, Washington Province, and has several archive facilities around Cascadia. Civil Libraries are in each community of Cascadia (*see libraries in the Details & Options section*).

Also see Intellectual Property Commission

 Maintains an extensive cascading lingua (language) dictionarythesaurus continuously updated as the lexicon evolves. See Language in the details & options section.

<u>Licensing</u>: see Statistics & Licensing Commission in this section and Licensing in the Details & Options section.

<u>Manufacturing (government)</u>: See Production & Acquisition commission in this area.

<u>Marshal Corps</u>: ~*Indipendant*~ Enacted by *Parliament* for the protection of the dignitaries of Cascadia and for monitoring other agencies for conduct.

- Marshals are tasked to the protection of the Senators of Parliament and other dignitaries, as well as other duties, and are considered 1 of the branches of Cascadia Peacekeepers (see entry in legal affairs section).
- They oversee the conduct of all other agencies, including the Sheriffs, Ministry or Martial Affairs, National Intelligence Commission, National Defence Commission and the Chief Executive Director of Cascadia, discouraging corruptions
- *Marshals* have arresting authority, even able to arrest *Sheriffs* for criminal acts. Suspects would be prossessed by Sheriffs within their holding facilities as normal and begin legal proceeding with the *Magistrate* (even *Shariffs*).
- Provost marshal works with the Ministry of Martial Affairs (see entry within Martial Affairs section).
- Special Agents are many needs for specialty of this a field.
 Some are of as follows. These agents are not commanders, though they do rotate in and out as usual to lessen corruption.
- Foreign Trade Agents are specialists in international trade relations, working with the Foreign Trade Commission to ensure compliance and are able to conduct full inspections of materials, vessels and vehicles. These agents will function with Naval/ Ground Forces for border continuity and protection.
- Suspect Bulletins are rosters of persons suspected of criminal activities (including those motivated by terror). Any persons placed on such a Bulletin are to be registered with the magistrates

and confirmed by a justice for due process. There shall be no "watch lists" conducted by any agency that would circumvent the legal justice and natural liberty of people. Any suspect would be notified and allowed the right to challenge the accusations and face the accusers through legal channels. Violations of the basic privacy and rights of people without warrants will place agencies at fault and those involved would be prosecuted for violations of Great Proclamations.

• Coordinates operations with the *Fusion-Operation Stations* (see separate entry in this area).

Medical-Health Commission:

Monitors all health and medical aspects, including staff, clinics, emergencies, health risk material/chemicals, etc.

- All private care hospitals, clinics and facilities, including those
 prividing cosmetic proceedures, are to pay a 15% in their gross
 inclome to the *Medical Commission*. This is in addition to the
 normal 15% Levy to Parliament and is an additional payment
 to assist suppliment civil care and offset the wealthy attending
 private companies to avoid civil copay.
- All material and chemicals are monitored by this commission for health risk, and the Council has the authority to establish restrictions on materials/chemicals based on such risks. This commission works closely with the Bureau of environmental integrity for risk factors of material and chemicals in the environment.

Military: See Ministry of Martial Affairs.

Ministry of Environmental Integrity: This Ministry ensures protection and integrity of the environment, including animals, plant life, air/water quality, etc. The Ministry works closely with the Bureau of Parks & Wilderness, Standards & Safety Commission, Marshals and Marshals to monitor and enforce the integrity of nature. Any misconducts of persons, businesses and entities that in dangers any aspects of the environment shall be prosecuted as criminal acts.

Natural resources are not to be exploited, a term being offensive and destructive to the integrity of the environment and nature. No citizen or entity has the right to harm the environment and nature beyond the ability to restore integrity with in a natural cycle (say the growth age of fish, animals, trees, etc.). No extractions/harvesting of materials are to be done without solid protection of the natural growth of nature.

<u>Ministry of Foreign Relations</u>: Overseeing the affairs with all nations outsides Cascadia.

- This ministry has no jurisdiction in the territories, since the territories are not considered foreign.
- Foreign Trade Commission handle elements of trade with Allie and Trade Nations. See separate entry in the section.

Ministry of Legal Affairs: Handles all aspects of the legal system, processing suspect for court. See Legal Affairs section for delails.

- The *Monroe Penitentiary* is maintained by this ministry. *Sheriffs* assigns a compliment at the town and prisons to assist in safeguarding the facilities. There are a few *Martials* there as well.
- Justice Councils has 9 councilmen appointed by Parliament for life, 3 from each of the 3 Houses.
- Civil Investigation Corps collects and evaluatres cilil complaints for judgement and possable settlement by justices.

<u>Ministry of Martial Affairs</u>: This is the full Cascadian military. See its own section.





<u>Ministry of Territories</u>: Oversees the protection and stability of all territories of Cascadia. Headed by the Prime Minister of territories (CCP-23) and their ministers (CCP-22). *See Territories in the Details & Options section for their function.*

National Defence Commission (NDC): Independent of other agencies, reportable only to the *Chief Executive Director of Cascadia* and *Parliament*, this commission oversees and directs military operations with the *Ministry of Martial Affairs* and interacts with *National Information Commission*.

- The commission has a 9 member council, 3 appointed from each
 of the 3 Houses of Parliament with 2/3rd agreement within the
 respective Houses. The councilmen are appointed for life or
 replaced.
- Interacts with Private Protection Associations (See entry in the Details & Options section) given authority to act in the interest of Cascadia. Many called these militias Privateers and are criticized by most outside Cascadia and some citizens. These association do not gain funding from or pay from Cascadia government and have to abide to Cascadia edicts. They are afforded limited information and protection for their service. Breaching confidence of the NDC will disconnect them from the relation and forfeit their status.
- The *National Defense Council*, with 2/3rd agreement (6 of the 9 seats), has the authority to overturn any decision of the *Chief Executive Director* on any operation with the *Ministry of martial Affairs*. The *Director* may go to *Parliament*, Gaining 2 Houses at 2/3rd approval to continue the operations. Until that is done, the operation much cease and the *Minister of Martial Affairs* will ensure it is so.

National Commerce Division: ~Within the National Economics Commission (NEC)~ Ensures equitable and proper behavior of all businesses within Cascadia. Also monitors transactions with foreign businesses in conjunction with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

National Economic Commission (NEC): Oversees the economy of Cascadia, minting and monitoring currencies, business activities, company share holdings, etc.

See Banks & Credit Unions and Currency & Economics in the Details & Options section.

- The Precious Assets Reserve (gold, silver, gems) account for a major portion of the guaranties for the Cascadian moneys. Other guaranties include bonds, securities and the ability to pay national debt through levies. No more than 20 years shall go by with an accounting of the entire Reserve of Cascadia, conducted by the Standards & Safety Commission with the assistance of Youth Clubs.
- All financial transactions of the agency are tracked by this Commission, including Pensionary pay (CCP-1 to CCP-36, the Chief Executive Director).
- Economical aspects of businesses, trade, etc. are overseen by the National Commerce Division of this agency.
- Within this commission is the Cascadian Reserve Centers, the link of the with private Banks and credit unions.
- This agency is monitored by the Standards & Safety Commission.
 Cascadian National Exchequer handles all aspects of levees and revenue. Any criminal activities with the NEC will be investigated by the Sheriffs and Marshals, both of which have Special Agents who monitor the agency, facilities and handling of moneys. The Ministry of Martial Affairs is tasked with the protection of the facilities as well with strict access controls.
- Minting, distribution and tracking of Cascadian moneys is done by this Commission through the Cascadian Treasury Reserve Bank.
- Increase/decrease is considered each season, and applied based on the averaging of 12 previous seasons (3 years).

- National Inflation Rate is a quantified monetary growth rate established by the commission based on the national economics, and applied to Personal Inflation Rate of the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund, and other uses. This rate is official, and used in several government functions, including the payment for the Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund, and requires a Parliament certificate.
- Seeing how national debt crippled many nations in the past, this Commission and Parliament holds strict application to such debt. When the national debt reaches 12% GDP, Senators loses the Pet Projects option, which would upset the citizens of the Provinces. At this level, the Standards & Safeties Commission will take more asserted effort to ensure the proficiency of all agencies, finding areas that would have considerable reduction in costs. No other Pensionaries are reduced based on national debt.
- When the debt reaches 25% GDP eliminates Parliament's ability to conduct Special Projects that is not critical to the security for Cascadia will be suspended until the debt drops below 25% GDP, and Senators income is reduced by 5%. No other Pensionaries are reduced based on national debt. When the debt reaches 50% GDP, all above aspects are still in place, though Senators (no other Pensionaries) have a reduction of 15% of their income. Though these measures are relatively negligible, it is to ensure Senators feels the personal economic reduction, encouraging action. At each 15% debt level over 50% (65%, 80%, etc.), Senators alone experience an additional 5% reduction in their income. If they are unable to control themselves, it is possible to reduce their income to 0.
- The *NEC* reviews budgeting of all agencies for inefficiencies. They are reviewed by the *Standards & Safety Commission*.
- Employment Guild Evaluation Division is fully financed by Guild Congress, though has obligations to the Guilds (see Guilds & Unions is the Details & Options section). The Evaluators are government pensionaries who ensure proper representation of employed citizens.
- *Emergency Funding* is established by any 2 Houses of Parliament with the 2/3rd majority of each for any minting of currency with creations of associated bonds. All parameters of the bonds are set by the establishing *Edict*. The buying back of bonds will not exceed 15 years. Debt is seen as a virus to the health of the nation, and all citizen must be remedies as soon as possible.
- National bonds are part of the national debt, and required to Houses of Parliament at 2/3rd majority to issue bonds that would raise the national debt over 7% of GDP. All 3 houses need to have 2/3rd majority to issue bonds that would raise the national debt over 15% GDP.





National Intelligence Commission (NIC): ~Independant~ Gathers intelligence information for the protection and security of Cascadia, and lead by the *Chief Intellegence Commissioner* and their Deputy from the Prime Office in Bellevue, Washington Province. Also see Ministry of Martial Affairs for the NIC's role within it.

- This commission only gathers and analyses the information of foreign activity. Any action on the information and threats is conducted by the *Ministry of Martial Affairs*, under the direction of *National Defence Commission*, as approved by the *Chief Executive Director*. Any *domestic involvement* is handled by a the *Marshall Corps*.
- NIC has no jurisdiction within Cascadia over the citizens and may not directly monitor their activities. The Marshals monitor NIC activities, ensuring compliance. If information comes to the NIC of illicit activities by Cascadian citizens, such information is to be immediately handed over to the Sheriffs or Marshals for enforcement.
- Any monitoring of persons for a national security is highly controlled and sanctioned by the Intelligence Justice Courts (see Legal Affairs section) with all civil rights adhere to. Also see suspect bulletins as part of the Marshall Corps in this section.
- This commission may act with other agencies, including the Sheriffs and Martial, during covert operations.
- NIC maintains a series of *Information Centers* for collection of disimination of intellegance. These are back up facilities for the *Primary Information Center*.
- Laeson Offices are integrated within several of the agenciesthrough Fusion-Coordination Stations (see separate entry in this area), including the Ministry of Martial Affairs, the 3 Houses of Parliament, Sheriffs, Marshals, Chief Excutive Directors.

National Partnership Commission: See Bureau of National Partnerships in this section for ownership responsibilities.

National Protection Corps: As a division of the National Protection Commission, this agency ensures continuity of borders and coastal region, functioning with other agencies for monitoring the domain of Cascadia. Agents of this core function as liaison personnel and oversight for proper defense and protection of the nation and citizens. See Border-Coastal Continuity in this section for details.

<u>National Security</u>: See Marshall Corps, Ministry of Martial Affairs, National Defence Commission, Nation Intelligence Commission, National Protection Corps and Sheriff Commission.

Oversight Elements: See Civil Investigation Corps in this section.

Parks: See Bureau of Parks & Wilderness in this section.

<u>Patent</u>: See Intellectual Property Commission. Also see Copyright & Patents, as well as Trademarks in the Details & Options section.

Parliament: Containing 3 parts; *First House*, *Second House* and *Third House*. *Parliament* has little resemblance to the English or U.S. predecessors. There would be 3 *Parliamentary Halls* with the *Floors, Hearing Chambers*, offices and other facilities.

See Edicts for details on enactment. Also see Principles of Parliament this section for their conduct and Civil Pensionaries for income.

 The motto "In Service To Our Citizens, Our Foundation" is by Grand Edict to be displayed over the House dias in all 3 Houses and the Grand Hall, so it is easily read from all entries and to be acknowledge by every Senators each time they enter as a reminder that they are serving the citizens, and not special interest groups, even if the groups claim to represent the citizens.

- Each *House* has 3 *Senators* from each of the 9 *Provinces* (establishing 27 *Senators* per *House*, with 81 *Senators* for all of *Parliament*), each of which are voted to represent them by all the citizens of the *Province*, making 9 *Senators* per *Province* in *Parliament*. Each *Senator* shall, by the time they take office, have had 15 years of life after reaching their *Age of Commitment*.
- The Founders settled on 81 Senators and 9 Provinces even though Alaska wasn't recovered yet. That level of Senators was felt to be a manageable number of persons in the assembly where the chance of outside manipulation was less likely as a whole, and yet be at a level where the Senators can function. With the theoretical maximum cooperative group size of 150-250 (based on general friendship aspects), 81 allows all the Senators to function closely, yet not too close to become a domination of influence. Assemblies of 12 or less have the ability to become a domineering collective under the authority of a single person. Over 20 has little chance of such vulnerability to dominance, hence the 27 Senators per House (as well as justices in Star Chamber).
- Members of *Parliament* are *Senators*. Each *House* elect one of their own to be the *Prime Senator*, who oversee conduct in all capacities with the *Châtelain*. That *Senator* remains until replaced by 80% vote of the other Senators that the *House*. See *Parliamentary Procedure further in this century*. The higher percentage is to limit the fickle attitudes that comes with such legislative bodies as *Engand Parliament* and *U.S. Congress*.
- Having the 3 *Houses* in 3 separate *Provinces* serves to make it harder to eliminate in a single strike, as well as reduce the isolated nature of past entities located at capitals. With the *Houses* separated dispersed from the capital, *Senators* should have a broader view of the nation. Also, any lobbying groups would have to maintain wider persons to have undue influence on the bodies of government beyond the interests of the citizens.
- All 3 Houses are physically in different Provinces so not to concentrate more that a third of the Senators in a single location. The First House of Parliament is outside of Vancouver, Columbia Province, the Second House is outside of Boise, Idaho and Third House is outside of Portland, Oregon. Though the beginnings of Cascadia began in Oregon, it was viewed that calling the House there as first would present the others as following them. In this view, they gave the title to Columbia Province, telling all citezens that though it began in Oregon and the prior U.S., Canadians are as much part of the formation of Cscadia as prior America. The Second House was set to Idaho for their under appreciated past, leaving the Third House to the origins of Origon.
- To validate the *House sequence titles*, the dedication and initial Senator validation were completed a season apart, and in the order of Houses (*First, Second*, then *Third House*), nullifying the *Third Foundation Commission* (see Beginning section).
- All 81 Senator seats of Parliament elect one of their one to be the *Chief Executive Director of Cascadia*, as well as political appointees and Ministers – each detailed within this section. Also see Selection Conclave in this section.





Parliament (cont.):

- Once a Senator is selected, the empty Senator seat they came from would be filled from the Province by election on the next solstice or equinox after a full season from the time of vacancy. The Chief Executive Director is not part of Parliament and has no direct influence in the proceedings of Edicts. This method of selecting The Chief Executive Director was taken from the Catholic Papal Conclave (see Selection Conclave in the Governing Details area of this section), with Parliament able to replace the Chief with another of their own if needed.
- It is viewed that much of the problem of the Former U.S. were from complicated laws established for specialized persons to understand, creating an elite status. It also enabled imbedded favors, difficult to notice by others with inflated enactments, too engorged and wordy. Many policies in Cascadia Proclamations were to curtail such practiced.
- The Senators live and function on the Parliaments Campus, a general term for the 12 parcels of land, 4 in each Province where Parliamental Hall and Homes are. The central of the four provincial parcels is the Parliamental Hall where the Senators meet, containing House Floor, Hearing Chamber, Offices, etc. Several miles from the Parliamental Hall in different directions are 3 Residential Compounds where the Senators would live.
- The *upper balcony* may have citizens, other Parliamentary Guards and other persons to observe the proceeding when it is not a closed session. *Visitors* shall be orderly and peaceful, and not disturb the session in any manner. They are to ware plain attire or a provided robe to cover any presentation that may be construed as influential to the *Senators* below. *The Senators may use the "Hearing Chambers" for listening to debate, having looser rules*
- No computers, typewriters or other electrical or mechanical devices are allowed in House Floor of Parliament. There is no power to the Parliament Campus. Windows provide natural light and ventilation for the sessions. If the sun is not up the campus is out of session or is in candle light. Climate control is provided by venting.
- There are also to be *no cameras/videos* on *Parliament Floor*. The *Floor* will not be a stage for the *Senators*. *Senators* are there to discuss how best to serve the citizens, not for self promotion that camera or videos bring out in politicians.
- Parliament is to set policy, not to enforce it. It is the Sheriff's main duty to enforce Edicts. The Chief Executive Director conducts affairs of state, as stipulated by policies set by Parliament.
- While Edicts are being created and voted on, they are scribe with pen on any paper. The final draft for full votes will be scribed on vellum with quill and ink reflecting the early days when proclamations were simpler and done by hand without modern devices. This is also to ensure more open and straightforward phrasing. They wording shall be in simple English, not using any legal references. Also see Edits in this section.
- *Viewer* are allowed to observe from the viewing balcony. The press is treated as other visitors, and are only allowed on the balcony. The viewers are to remain quiet, and shall not disturb the proceedings.
- Parliamentary Guards are the elite protection of the Senators, their staff, visitors, the building and anything related to Parliament, and are selected from the Ministry of Martial Affairs. They are also tasked at ensuring the Senators do not come to blows. Marshals may be brought in for legal matters and protection. The Ministry of Martial Affairs may be required to be present for the protection of Parliament.
- National emergencies are directed by the Chief Executive Director. Parliament is not directly involved, and there is reduced need for emergency or night sessions, though lighting outside the windows could be provided.
- Hearing Chambers are not the Parliament Floor where the Edict are decreed. The Hearing Chamber has rows of seats for

- the *Senators* in a half circle room and is where people are able to address *Parliament* for actions, or be brought in for queries. Camera, video, electrical and mechanical devices may be present in limited area of these chambers. The *Chambers* may be used for *debating Edicts* and refining details freely without the more restrictive rules within the *Floor*. *Final resolution of any Edict*, must be done on the main *Floor*.
- Other Parliamentary Guards, Marshall, Sheriffs, Legionnaires and medics may nearby for protection and assistance. In event of emergency where they need to enter the Floor, Session are automatically suspended, and the Floor is cleared.
- **Petitioners** are persons (citizens or foreign) wishing to address a *Parliament House*. The *Secretary* announces the petitioner before they are to enter the *Hearing Chambers*.
- Any and all votes of Edicts much be done on the House Floor, during sessions, and recorded by the secretary.
- Close sessions are done when the nature of discussion is deemed classified.
- Senator Expediters are set by their pay scale, and limited additional benefits for their position. Each Senator has a home on the campus with a private office. There is also the House Office for their administration needs. There are set staffer positions for each of the Senators. Any travel and other needs the Senator wishes are paid for from their petition. She a Senator require more funding for some project, they may be granted funding from the House Discretionary Funds if approved by 2/3rd of their House Senators.
- Senators have no responsibilities beyond Parliament. To remove direct conflicts of interests, all elected Senators and their spouses, are to surrender all personal assets to legitimate citizens of Cascadia of their choosing, including company shares, property, items valued more than half the annual salary for their senator position. Often this is turned over to other relations of their family, though sometimes to close friends. Though this does not fully eliminate Senator from favoring those they care for, it does remove personal gain, and so—in hope—bring the Senator's focus to the needs of the citizens and the nation.
- Senators, or their spouses, are not allowed to accept gifts valued above 1/20th their monthly senators salary accumulated from any person within 4 seasons. Any value more than 1/50th their monthly income as Senator must be declared and registered to the Châtelain's office. This is to limit outside influences on the Senators.
- Should a Senator relinquished their seat and office for any reason, the rules of property/wealth apply for 12 full seasons upon that date. This rule applies to any spouses who may divorce the Senator within that time period. This is to limit after Parliament gains for legislation they may have been part of, giving reasonable time for the current Senators to correct such possibilities that may be inappropriate to conduct or harmful to Cascadia.
- On *Campus Residencies* for *Senators* are in 3 separate compounds for each of the *Houses* with 8 16-room (7 bedrooms, and office, etc.) homes with an adjoining private office, making 9 compounds. This is to assist in protection of the *Senators* as well as preventing concentration.





Parliament (cont.):

- The House Offices is adjoined to the Parliament House buildings and are for general administration of the House where all the Senators conduct ministration duties with government agencies and visitors.
- Parliament House Staff: Châtelain (oversee general conduct an preceding of the house), Scribe (writes the needed documents), Secretary (keeps the Parliament Journal, the minutes of the meetings, and other administrative duties) and Page (for general message running).
- Personal staff of a cook, maid, secretary, driver-guard is funded for the position as a Civil Pentionary. They may fill the position with who they wish as long as the person gains necessary clearances. Any staffing they wish beyond these positions are funded on their own.
- The *Grand Parliamentary Hall*, located in the *Capital (Bellevue, Washington Provence)* is a place where *Senators* may meet from each of the 3 *Houses*, so to hear from citizens and other people, as well as from the *Chief Executive Director*. There are 27 Senator seats there (third of all of *Parliament*), 9 from each *House* will meet. While in Session, the other Senators, as well as meeting of parliament are to remain clear of the *Hall*, so not to concentrate *Parliament*. Not decisions are to be made there. It is a venue for Senators of the *Houses* to gather, discuss and return for debate and discussions.
- Should any Houses be destroyed, the Senators may meet at any suitable location where the proper condition could be established. This may mean disconnecting power from a room.
- Though they live and work on the *Campus*, *Senators* are to travel and connect with the citizens. *Senators* are to visit to the *Province of Origin* at least once each 2 seasons as the guest of the Governor for 7+ days, where they will meet with citizens, businesses and officiaries (ensuring no favortism, and at governance expence) to see what it truly happening anungst the population. This does not having to be in one trip, and is encouraged to be of at least 2 trips of 3+ days each. These trips are to be semi-casual for flexibility, and not to cater to special interest groups. There will be press hearings and citizen query periods. Only 1 or 2 of the *Senators* of the *Province* may go at the same time, since they are the Governor's guest at that time, residance in the Guest Suite of the Governor's Mantion.
- Each House will have a Châtelain and Deputy Châtelain, who
 maintains administration flow of the Houses of Parliament, and
 process during Floor Sessions and Hearings, as well as other
 duties.
- Any of Parliament Houses may call for an investigation hearing, with 2/3rd vote to check into issues of governance and behavior or other areas deemed necessary. A hearing chamber is within the Grand Parliamentary Hall at the Cascadia National Garden in the capital, and Senators from each House shall be present there, though not more than one third of all of Parliament, and no less than 9, in equal numbers (9-27 Senators).
- Parliament does not have majority or minority leaders or other titles placing Senators at higher levels than other Senators beyond the House ranking within Parliament. This is because Senators are solely Senators, and obligated to the principles of Parliament and the well-being of Cascadia and all citizens, and not to other bodies or factions.
- In conducting debates within the Parliament, the Senators and speakers must remain on point and within the restricted time.
 A 3-minute hourglass is present in Parliament for speaking durations and maintained by the Châtelain.
- While national debt (see National Economics Commission in this section) is below 12% GDP, Senator may continue Pet Projects (officially called Senator Discretionary Projects Funds) – the minor funding issued each season for innovation or general improvements. This allows the Senator to directly affect their constituents of the Provinces. Applications from citizens would

- present their proposals by the first week of each season for funding, not to exceed C£500,000.
- All *Pet Project* decisions would have to be completed by third week of the first month and each *House* would publish a public report of such projects for citizens to review and make comment. Monies for the projects would be released during the second week of the third month of that season. In 2067, each *Senator* has control of C£3,000,000 and may fund several projects up to that amount, as long as they get 3 other *Senators* sign with them. Other *Senator* monies may not be added as joint projects, though they may assist in adjacent projects. This is to ensure brouder application of the funding. *Projects* exceeding C£200,000 requires 4 other *Senators* to sign. No *Senator* may sign more than 3 pet projects of other *Senators*s, enabling up to 6561 projects in a season with an average amount around C£37,000.
- Impeachment of a Senator, or the Chief Executive Director, requires 2/3rd seat agreement with in each Parliament House. The Star Chamber could also conduct impeachment with 80% agreement.

~ Parliamentary Caucuses ~

Differing from Task Forces (see separate entry in this area), caucuses enable the Senators to discuss atmosphere on relevant subjects. Each House may have a number of caucuses, having membership of 5-7, though each Senator may only belong to 3 caucuses at any time. This is to prevent overtaxing the time of each Senator. There are other rules set to limit overbearing nature as seen in the past.

- The Caucuses may not meet more than 3 times per month and only for 2 hours per session. The meetings are to be in the hearing rooms and are open for public viewing and comment.
- Caucuses are strictly advisory and have no funding whatsoever. If research is needed, a temporary parliamentary task force (see separate entry in this area) may be created and funded in normal manner.
- Each *House* may have similar *Caucuses*, though none may ever be seen to show favoritism to any group of people and are to ensure all citizens are considered in equal measure.
- In 2067, a few of the Caucuses were Environmental Protection C~, Practical Science C~, Education C~, Balance Citizen Opportunity C~, Fair Business Practice C~, Stellar Colony C~, Alternative Energy C~, Etc.

~ Parliamentary Certificates ~

Several aspects of the government shall require *Certificate from Parliament*. A few are presented here. The *Certificates* require 27 Senators to sign, one from each province of each *House*, in order to be valid. If the document does not get required senators signatures, it is not valid and shall be redone for submission.

• National Annual Inflation Rate is set by the National Economic Commission and requires Parliamentary Certificate.





Parliament (cont.):

~ Parliamentary Procedures ~

The *Process of Parliament* was formed and established to limit inflated continuation of process that burdens the proceedings. In many ways, Cascadian parliamentary procedures differs from the British, Canada and *Former U.S.*, and does not use the Roberts Rules of Order, though some elements may be similar

- When in Session, only Senators, a Châtelain, a Secretary, a Scribe, a Page, a single Petitioner (with a translater and a bodyguard, if needed) and 3 Parliamentary Guards are allowed on the each of the House Floors.
- No less than 80% of *Parliament* (22+ *Senators*) must be present for a session to be valid. The *Prime Senator* does not have to be present. In his absence, the present Senator with the *House Seniority* (longest holding office present on the *Floor*) sits in the seat and oversees the procession.
- Having no electronics, the time is done with the *Timing Glasses* (3-minute and 7-minute hourglasses with the ability of it to be set on the side to hold time). The *House Châtelain*, being the timekeeper, turns the timing glass and rings the bell indicating time duration has expired.
- During proposed discussions, there are limits set on all sides of a debate. Each *Senator* or speaker is restricted to 3 minutes each to make a point on the subject. No speaker may do so again until all who wish to do so has had a chance to speak.
- If changes to the document is necessary, the Scribe shall make such changes. They may query for clarification. The Châtelain ensures these procedures are done efficiently.
- Floor Sessions are scheduled through the Châtelain, and will have no less than 15 Sessions a month, 3+ each for the 5 (6-day) week.
- The *Châtelain* shall be present for sessions in the *Floor* and *Hearing Chambers*. The *Châtelain* has a hand bell, and if rang, the chamber is to go silent, or the session is over. This is to hold order within the chamber.
- When assembling for the House Floor or hearing chamber, the Senators passed through a Senator Antichamber leading into the floor or hearing chamber. The Châtelain would greet each Senator in turn before they enter. The 3 senior senators remain in the anti-chamber until all Senators had entered. If a more senior senator arrives, the least senior senator enters. Once all the Senators who are to arrive have done so, the Châtelain leads the 3 senior Senators into the chamber, announcing the beginning of the session, where the chamber is to go quiet for roll call.
- When Floor Sessions began, the Châtelain (or the Deputy, who will be referred to as Châtelain while there) enter with the 3 senior Senators, ringing the bell 3 times. If the chamber is not quiet within 3 seconds, the Châtelain will ring the bell 3 more times. If after 3 seconds, the chamber has not quieted, the Châtelain announces, "This session of Parliament is postponed for now. You are all dismissed," and the Châtelain shall walk out with the 3 Senators. Sactions may be issued by the Châtelain for the disruption.
- Floor Session Roll Call is conducted by the Châtelain, where they called the name, from most junior to the most senior for the House. The Senator would declare their presence, and whether or not they have desire to address the assembly.
- After *Roll Call*, there is a general addressing of the *Senators*, where each who declared a desire to speak, has 3 minutes to do so. A *Senator* may not pass their turn to another so to prevent coersions. The addressing of the other *Senators* is done from the most junior to the most senior of *Senators*.
- No sessions shall be conducted without the *Châtelain* and no less than 70% of the *Senators* of the house present. The

Châtelain is to ensure proceedings, and will not tolerate this order.

- To bring *Initiatives* to the *Floor* for consideration, no less than 3 *Senators* shall author the *Initiative*, and their signatures must be present. Once done, the *Initiative* is delivered to their *Châtelain* (or their *Deputy*) for inclusion in the session, being schedualled in the "*Debate-Vote Queue*," allowing the *Châtelain* time to process the schedule, including making copies and distributing them to the *Senators* of the *House* for review prior to the scheduled session. This time shall not be excessive, and set on the calendar within 7 weeks. If there are more than 3 *Senators* on the initiative, 3 shall be selected by the group as *Prime Authors-Sponsors*.
- When the *Initiative* is distributed to all the Senators, a Counter-Initiative Caucus would be formed, having 3 Primary counterpoint speakers.
- At the beginning of the *Debate*, the 3 *Prime Author-Sponsors* shall, in any order, speak on behalf of the *Initiative*. For balance, the 3 *Senators of Counter-Initiative Caucus* (those in opposition) shall give initial counterpoints to the Initiative. Each of the *Senators* shall have 7 minutes each to give their points concluding with one of the counter speakers. After the third round of debates, these 6 speakers shall gain another 7 minutes each alternately to give points before any subsequent rounds are conducted. No other additional times are provided. This is to retain some semblance of restraint during the debate process.
- During consideration debate on an *Initiative*, the 3 *Prime Author-Sponsors* shall be together with the *Secretary* at the head of the chamber for general approval of alterations, and to respond to questions. When responding to questions, each *Prime Authors* are allotted 3 minutes to respond.
- All *Initiatives must be given suitable time for consideration*, though no *Initiative* may be postponed for more than 15 days intervals and requires 2/3rd majority of *Senator* seats to postpone.
- During Consideration Debates, the Châtelain will allow 3 rounds of commentary from the Senators (including the 6 Prime/Counter Senatorsfor the Inititive) progressing from the most junior to the most senior of the Senators, with each allotted no more than 3 minutes for their statement. Senators may choose not to make a statement each of the 3-minutes rounds. They may not give that time to other Senators, so not to succumb to pressures of other Senators. Each round should not exceed more than 120 minutes with 30 minutes recess allotted between rounds. The 3 initial rounds taking no more than 7 hours.
- Limiting each Senator to 3 minutes per round in the debate reduces time for grandstanding and excessive oratory and posturing. With other Senators expressing similar views, the others would be more inclined to express other elements without a lot of repeating. Having no less than three rounds of debates allows each Senator to refocus, reinforce or dispute what had been said prior by others of their colleagues.





Parliament (cont.):

- Senators, during their commentary, asking to alter the initiative would need 2 of the 3 authors of the original work to accept at which time, the secretary would alter the initiative. If there is an objection from other senators, the Châtelain shall call a vote of all Senators in the House to approve the alteration. This process is not restricted by the 3 minute limit, though it will conclude the speaking Senator's time for that round. This allows the senator to provide one alteration per round.
- Upon passing in one *House*, it is then sent to the *Châtelain* of another *House* for them to come complete the reading and vote. If passing all 3 *Houses*, the *Initiative* becomes a *Parliamentary Edict*.
- During debates of *Initiatives*, there would be 3 rounds of commentary from the *Senators*, with each comentary shall not last more than 3 minutes. *Senators* may not yield their time to another, to prevent strongaming any of the *Senator*. Each shall have their own and equal time to express oppinions.
- Once that is completed, the *Châtelain* would call for a vote to continue another round of commentary, requiring 2/3rd majority of *Senators* seats within the *House*. After each round of commentary, there would be a vote to continue, until debate is ended with the failure of reaching the 2/3rd majority.
- Should *Senators attempt to overwhelm* the process with trivial *Initiatives* (an amount that is excessive to comfortable debates with in the *House*), *Initiatives* from *Senators* who have the fewest filings shall be placed in the "*Debate-Vote Queue*" prior to those who had filed more historically. If there is a question of submission order,the *Châtelain* shall bring the group of *Initiatives* with brief explanation of each, and the *Floor* shall vote on each to determine whether they are worthy of debate. Only *Initiatives* gaining 2/3rd vote shall be put on the schedule. If *Senators* are found to have excessive numbers of trivial initiatives, the *Châtelain* may call for sanctions against those *Senators*.
- Once the session debate for the Initiative in complete, and continuance doesn't reach the 2/3rd majority for debate, the Châtelain would call for postponement, allowing the Senators to contemplate further elements. A 2/3rd majority is needed to postpone, and the postponement will not exceed 15 days.





Parliament (cont.):

- If postponement for the Initiative did not acquire the 2/3rd majority, the Châtelain shall declare the Initiative ready for passage vote, at which time, Initiatives in its current form would be transferred to Vellum by hand by whoever is selected as scribe with quill and ink. The document, would be read in its entirety to the House for vote..
- Due to the manipulative nature of *Robert's Rules of Orders* to drag progression of discussion and decision making, the practice is not used in the *Houses of Cascadia Parliament*. This illiminates *filibustering*, since no one has the ability to take the floor and babble on senselessly.
- Each of the 27 Senators in each House has a seat and table designated for them personally, and all the seats face a central focal point on the dais (the Scribe's position). The 3 Senior Senators, Châtelain, Secretary, 1 scibe and 3 Prime Sponsors for Initiatives, have positions on the dais, arching along the back, with even spacing and parted enough for positioning without disturbing others. The 3 senior senators sit in an even row on one side, opposite the 3 *Prime Sponsors* for *Initiatives*. The scribe is placed in the center of the dais to represent the importance of the documents they are creating, and to humble the other positions under it, so that the Senators and others do not grow to feel they are greater than what they produce as a whole within Parliament.
- The dais is a single-step, semicircular area the Senators face, and where the documents and procedure is conducted from.
- Châtelain maintains order within the Houses, and are appointed for life from the Star Chamber by the members of the Star chamber during a selection conclave similar to the selection of the Chief Executive Director. Replacing a seated Châtelain requires the justices of the Star chamber to vote another amongst them to take the place. Parliament may not interfere with this process.

~ Parliamentary Staff Assembly ~

Parliament needs a staff to function, and the budget for that staff shall be equal between each of the Parliamentary Houses.

- Budgetary changes of the 3 Parliament staff assembly requires 2/3rd agreement of all 3 Houses and the Star Chamber. The Star Chamber gains its budget through the Council of Ministry for Legal Affairs, and is seen as a less biased restraint on Parliament spending.
- Châtelain's are part of the staffing for budget, though the selection of the position is from the Star Chamber.

~ Parliamentary Task Forces ~

Factions within *Parliament* exist. No matter how the *Founding Senators* worked restricted the nature, they persist, influencing governance. The Founders considered the nature of people to be part of groups, and set policies to limit the effect.

Though it was seen as natural, the *Founders* wouldn't allow the continuation of caucuses seen in the *Former U.S. Congress* (also going by coalitions and such, even task force) that wrestled control and influences, within and beyond Congress, gaining campaign support through them.

What Parliament did with life time appointments for Senator was take the reelection support leverage from the caucuses and other special interest groups. By Great Edict, there will be no official caucuses or special interest unions by the Senators, that the Senators is a singular person in Parliament in service to the citizens as a whole, and to the nation. They may not officially support any organization.

 No Task Force shall form for more than 6 seasons after the season it was formed in. The report would be due no later than the first week of the last month of the last season. If not presented by this time, a new Task Force with other members would be form. There are no exceptions.

- If the Task Force unable to present thier report to the full Parliament, the complete current collection of information, speculations, suggestions would be handed to the newly formed Task Force. These provisions are to prevent Task Forces becoming overly influential, or for members to become settled as power players. Long-lasting committees and their members had been seen to become overly influential in process of the past, and Cascadia set rules to prevent that includes not to have permanent committees.
- Committees of the past have been associated to a lot of talk and little action, so *Committees* is not a term used by Parliament. Temporary *Task Forces* many be formed for a short period of time to produce a report for *Parliament*. The *Forces* will have 2-3 Senitors and 3-4 *Civil Pensionaries*. If applicable, 2-3 *Non-Pentionaries* may be assign as specialist members. These *Forces* will not be bloated, and no more than 9 persons shall be assign.
- No members of the *Forces* will gain pay for the assignment. The *House* may set a specific funding amount that the members may use for achieving the function. The funding and the *Force* require 2/3rd majority of the *Parliament* seats to enact assign persons and funding. The member may hire non-pensionaries with the funding if they see the need. *Task Forces* may be formed to investigate government agencies, any of the *Houses* or other Cascadian entities.

~ Senator Sanctions ~

At times, it may become necessary to conduct disciplinary action on Senators. The *Châtelain* has the right to set sanctions on the senator for misconduct.

- Sanctions may be set for disruption of the House or Hearing Chamber, including refusing to go quiet when the Châtelain rings the bell.
- The Châtelain has several sanctions they can impose on Senators. Only the agreement of the other 2 Châtelains, or 2/3rd majority of the Star Chamber, negates the sanction.
- The Senators may face 15 days suspension, where they may not sign initiatives for consideration, including those they had authored, which prevents them from being part of the submission, though they still have voting privileges.
- Disallow a round of commentary during proposals. This is commonly used when Senators speak out of turn, or exceed their 3 minute limit of prior commentary, after warning.
- More severe sanctions could be preventing Senators to be part of Task Forces, or giving recommendations. This sanction is for 2-3 full seasons, including remaining time of the season it was applied.





Peacekeepers: See Cascadia Peacekeepers in the Legal Affairs section.

<u>Postal Commission</u>: ~Dedendpent~ Under the Bureau of Civil Services, this commission provides the national mail service.

- · Postal rates are set by Parliament.
- This agency is self funded with half the sales. A fourth (1/4th) of the revenue is turned over to the *Parliament Discretionary Funds*, and another fourth (1/4th) is applied to the *Civil Retirement-Insurance Fund*.
- Advertising through the mail is allowed as long as it is not implied in any manner to be urgent, coercive or misleading. Any false representation shall be prosecuted as fraud. Fees for such advertising is a substantial revenue for the postal commission.
- *Regional Codes* (sometimes called R-Codes) replaced the postal ZIP Codes. *See Township in the Details & Options section.*
- Any legal or safety issues are handled by the *Sheriffs* and are overseen by the *Marshals*.

Production & Aquisition Commission: ~*Dedendpent*~ This agency handles the supplying needs of the government and is overseen by the *Standards & Safety Commission* and the *National Economics Commission*. This agency operates several production facilities (see *Cascadia National Supply Corps in this area*).

See Government Acquisition within the Government Details portion of this section for other functions of this agency.

 Furniture and material within agencies that are being replaced above the national average shall be investigated by the Standards & Safeties Commission as cost-saving measures.

Radio Band Frequency Authority: See Telcomm Commission.

Revenue: See Cascadian National Exchequer in this section.

Safety: See Standards & Safeties Commission in this section.

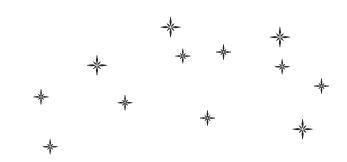
<u>Safety-Maintenance Division</u>: A division of the Standards & Safeties Commission, this element oversees all vehicle and appliance standards, including recalls for safety and quality assurances. The mandate for this Division is to ensure public trust in company products.

Science & Techology Commission: ~Dedendpent~ Maintains and oversees the progression of knowledge

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See Science & Tecnology section for related information.

- Operated a variety of Think Tanks & Research Centers foe advancing knoweldge in Cascadia. See Think Tanks & Research Centers in the Details & Options section.
- Has a variety of publications as information outlet and source of
 revenue.
- Advance Research Corps for Technologies (ARCT) functions to progress that technical innovations within Cascadia. See separate entry in this area.
- Astronomic Counsel evaluates elements of astronomy and astrophysics, working with the Bureau of Stellar Exploration & Colonization to further advance knowledge and application. Also see Astronomy entry in the Science & Technology section.

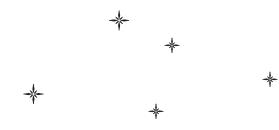


Sheriff Commission: ~*Indendpent*~ The Sheriff, under the *Bureau of Legal Affairs*, enforce the Edict from parliament. These persons are considered an element of the Cascadia Peacekeepers (*see entry in the Legal Affairs section*).

- The commission in headed by the *Sheriff Council* of 9 members, 3 appointed from each of the 3 House of Parliament with 2/3rd agreement and are life time appointments, or replaced by the controlling House.
- One or more Townships will have a *Precinct*, and the *Sheriff House* depending on the size and threat level, and several *Precincts* make up a *District*.
- The *Sheriff House* (not to be shortened as House, which is for Parliament) is the office within each Community, where Sheriffs/Constables function from. Prisoners are not to be detained, and is a local focal point for citizen relations. Prisoners would be detained at the county level.
- Task Forces are brought together by the Sheriff Majors or Sheriff General for complicated cases or situations and are formed for the specific task, then dissolved.
- Amber Status (see separate entry in the Details & Options sections) is the local alert system to assist citizens to be safe and a manner to have Sheriff assists them.
- Customs Corps ensures the legal compliance of imports and exports.
- All Sheriffs have to complete the academy, even Town Sheriffs
- Corruption had been a problem of law enforcement in many nations. Though less so in the Former U.S., many entrenched law enforcement were influenced by the criminal syndicate. Cascadia's effort to break the hold of the syndicate included using the military to assist Sheriffs in the protection of those who are threatened and in the apprehention of those doing the threatoning. The commander rotation is also a tool, in that any control of the syndicates of officers are less likely to remain hidden through multiple assignments. That and the arresting of all violations, not just observation, distrupted to support structure of the synicates.











Sheriff Commission (cont.):

<u>Command Structure</u>: Within the commission, the Sheriffs are arrange as show here. The CCP (*Cacadia Civil Pentionary*) is the pay scale (*see its entry in the Details & Options section*) and gain *Step Promotions* in the normal manner.

- Sheriff General (CCP-24), assigned by the Sheriff Council for life, handles the ministrations and conduct of the Sheriffs. The general has their office in Bellevue, Washington Province.
- Sheriff Majors (CCP-23) oversee Districts. Sheriff Captains (CCP-22) may oversee a larger precinct with 2+ Sheriff Lieutenants, where a Sheriff Lieutenant (CCP-21) may be the highest rank of a small precinct. These are the "Commanders" the officers of the Sheriffs.
- Rotation of Commanders throughout Cascadia allow the sharing of knowledge and reduction of corruptions. Though they use the term *Rotation*, there is no specified rout through districts. The *Sheriff Council* selects Commanders who sat in office for 18-36 months for rotation to other office, including tours at the *Monroe Penitentiary*. Like the military, Commanders may have a "Wish List" of assignment locations they desire.
- Sheriff Detective (CCP-20) are assigned to a District for 2-3 years and are assign cases by the Sheriff Majors. They are ranked as Class-I, II and III SI (III being the highest) with Step promotions. Each Class gains 2 Step Promotions.
- Sheriff Sergeants (CCP-19) are not rotated. They are the consistency of the precincts and consists of Class-I, II and III ShSgts, III being the highest, with step promotions. Each Class gains 2 Step Promotions. Each Class gains 2 Step Promotions.
- Senior Patrol Sheriffs (CCP-18) and Junior Patrol Sheriffs (CCP-17) are not rotated and roam the Townships and Communities as needed. Class-I to Class-VII County/ Shire Patrol (CP/SP), VII being the highest, with Step Promotions. Each Class gains 2 Step Promotions.
- Many Sheriffs who retire, become *Township Constables* in their local townships (*see Constables in the Legal Affairs section*) and are affectionately called *Beat Sheriffs*. Generally, veteran Sheriff of 15+ years and nearing retirement take this option. *Constables* interact directly with the local citizens more closely, becoming more familiar with the atmosphere of the town. Former Sheriffs have a better understanding of procedures and are trusted by the active Sheriffs the becam liaison with.
- Criminal gangs are an issue in Cascadia, and considerable effort is applied to curtail such behavior. Criminal gangs are considered criminal syndicates, and treated as such.
- Stellar Sheriffs were formed as Cascadian citizens began going into space, first onto orbiting stations and lunar bases, then to asteroids for mining. By 2067, there were very few, but as the years progressed, this became a large calling. Their ranks and pay are in the same scale as "Terrestrial Sheriffs" as they became known as. They are draw from the Terestrial Sheriff and advances 2-3 Step Promotions once completing the Stallar Conditioning Accadamy. See Bureau of Stellar Explorations and Colonization.
- Enforcement departments: since this sheriffs are tasks for enforcing edicts and some edicts are specialized, there are departments of investigators for the specialty. They have full investigating authority, but Sheriff Detective our task for conducting the actual arrest, leaving the investigators to concentrate on their field of expertise. The divisions are titled Sheriff Department of [x] Enforcement; x being Fraud, Insurance, Drug is-alcohol, Weapons, Immigration-Foreign Nationals, etc.

- The national economic commission has a need for Special Treasury Sheriff Agents, who protect all aspects of the currency control. They function with the Special Treasury Marshal Agents.
- Sheriffs would interlace with Fusion-Coordination Stations (see separate entry in this area) during multiagency situations.

Robotics: The precincts have a variety of robotic types they employ for conducting the enforcement of Edicts.

- *Dirigible Monitoring Platforms* cruise hundreds or thousands of feet overhead with an array of high resolution cameras to view hot spots, questionable activities and *Amber Conditions*. These dirigibles may also be used in emergencies to assist in medical or fires.
- Semi-autonomous, tracked/wheel Ground Rovers roam streets and walkways, allowing the operators to monitor several, or hand control to on scene Sheriffs or of the persons. Video feeds may be relayed to those in need of the information. These robots are equipped with 2-way communication (mic/speakers), sonic blasters, tazars, gas dispensers and other devises for assisting authorities, interacting with citizens, etc., as well as protection for vandalism.
- Several styles and sizes of semi-autonomous Hover-bots are available for use with similar capability as Ground Rovers
- Sheriff uniform has a full helm with visor with the ability of 2 way video and audio communication with a variety of sources, including nearby sheriffs as well as direct communication contact with base, etc. their suit is and advancement of the Dragon armor with temperature control.
- Has available a variety of vehicles, including motorcycles, SUVs, high-performance patrol cars, pedal bikes, snowmobiles, half track, light Rovers, CM-42/48/61 (Cascadia military version of the Humvee for years 2042, 2048 and the newer 2061 models), etc.

Special Agents: there are many needs for specialty of this a field. Some are of as follows. These agents are not commanders, though they do rotate in and out as usual to lessen corruption.







Social Services Commission: See Civil Services Commission.

<u>Space Programs</u>: See Bureau of Stallar Exploration & Colonization in this section and the Stellar Progression section.

Standard & Safety Commission: Ensures agencies and private companies act in accordance of *Edict* policies, and upholds high standands and safe practices.

See Civil Investigation Corps for their roll with Civil Complaints. Also see Safety-Maintenance Division in this section.

- The Commission is also responsible for business behavior and safety, including environmental concerns, employment conduct, etc.
- Financial Integrity Division has agents who evaluate the purchasing and use of assets to ensure efficiency. Agents are rated for their security clearance, ensuring the ability to check all uses of agencies no matter their national security requirements.

Star Chamber: See Legal Affairs section.

<u>State Department</u>: See Executive Ministry, Ministry of Foreign Relations and Ministry of Territories.

<u>Statistic & Licensing Commission</u>: ~*Dependant*~ All licensing within Cascadia is handled by this commission, including Driver Certificate.

- The Commission also handles census statistics within Cascadia. Each 10 years, a validation audit of citizens is conducted and a report issued to Parliament.
- Each 2 years, a certificate of wage/salary incomes of the citizens are submitted to Parliament, and Pensionary pay scales is adjusted accordingly. See pensionary in this section.

Technologies: See Science & Technology Commission.

<u>Telecommunication Commission</u>: ~Dependant~ Part of the Bureau of Civil Services, this commision oversees all aspects of telecommunications is Cascadia, as well as provide the Root Telephone System.

See Telcomm System in the Details & Options section for operational aspects.

- As part of the oversight of all telecommunications, this agency ensures private compliance to Parliament Edicts and Telcomm Council policies, conducting inspections of facilities and devices. If there are uncorected violations, they have authority to set fines. If there are criminal acts involved, including disregarding to Parliament Edicts, the Sheriffs may become involved as an Edict Violation criminal charge.
- The *Root Telephone System*, the entire landline-mobile phone transceiver network is maintained by ths commission. It was taken out of the private sector due to the regional monopoly and price manipulation. Private companies provide all phones, assessaries and related equipements and services that are not bound Root Telephone System or region.
- The Commission is the monitoring and oversight authority for all radio and electromagnetics transmissions within Cascadia, including establishing band usage.
- This agency is monitored by the Standards & Safety Commission as well as the Marshial for quality and complience of there own to Parliament.

<u>Transportation</u> <u>Commission</u>: Under the <u>Bureau of Civil Engineering</u>, this commission operates all common domestic transportation, such as air traffic, busses, trams and rail (elevated and ground).

Also see Transportation in the Details & Options section.

· Private transportation are business and are independent for

the modes handled by this agency, though subject to Cascadia Edict.

- The Commission provides a variety of fobs, cards and tokens for citizens and visitors, as well as senior and scaled low income discounts.
- Air Traffic Division, with the standards & safeties commission, ensures the efficient operation and safety of airlines and everything in the air, including air traffic control.

Trademark: See Intellectual Property Commission.

Treasury: See National Economics Commission.

Whether: See Cascadia climate commission in this section.



Historal Events to 2067

Cascadia concept began with Thomas Jefferson in 1813. It held in the minds of people and many generations later, as the turmoil of the Former United States took hold, a separatist movement took greater shape. Her is the history of the new northwest nation.

The following is a brief outline of some events, with the most recent first. Other Earth Fall articles contain other events related to them and the Cascadian.

2044 [Nov]: The first Antarctica volcano erupted near the southern pole as the pressure of the ice sheet let up. The ice sheets slid faster, cracking long fissures as it went.

2043 [15 Jun]: The first gravity warp field was generated at the ---- lab in Kongzere. The gravity pulse caused the collapse of the building, killing 38 people on location and a 6.7 seismic earthquake that 247 others.

2043 [19 Feb]: Cascadia retaliated against *Central States* for the destruction of Seattle.

2042 [7 Jul]: With the destruction of Seattle, Parliament ended further acceptance of people from the *Former U.S.* born before 16 June 2028 from becoming citizens by that nature. All persons after this day not already citizens of Cascadia were considered foreign nationals.

2042 [6 July]: Seattle was devastated by a 170Kt cruise missile launched from a B-1c under the control and authorization of the *Divine Guardians of Christ* (DGC) from St. Louis, Missouri.

- Cascadia contacted agents in the Central States on 9 July to verify the claims of who did the acts. It took a while to verify. In August, several covert strikes took place against key people who were involved. The act was to kick the nest and see who reacted.
- Once they knew most of who were involved, and their relation with the existing authorities, raids occurred at 4:00 A.M. on 28 locations were conducted on 19 February 2043, including the DGC temple in St. Louis, Missouri. Other nuclear weapons in the possession of the DGC were seized. The strikes were surgical and swift. The pastor of the DGC temple was hung in the church with a live broadcast from their private station with a warning that at 12:00 A.M. (midnight), the city would be destroyed by one of their own nuclear devices. They were told that bomb had been placed in basement and once the raiders were cleared, the temple would be leveled on it with proximity mines buried within the rubble (arming 15 minutes after collapse). They further warned that should there be any retaliation on their part for the loss of St. Lewis, other cities would be destroyed with no warning. "That was more than you gave Seattle," was stated. Leaflets of the warning were scattered to the winds. There was a panic in the city and it cleared by 4:30 P.M. There was a short effort made to get to the buried devise, but between the mines and the rubble, there was not enough time. At midnight the 170Kt device detonated, leaving a crater. The shallow depth made the blast effect as though at ground level.

<u>Blast Note</u>: Though the same size as the device used on Seattle, the effects differed a bit, due to it being at ground level. It was less destructive farther out. The radiation was more contained, remaining longer.

The blast created a crater some 700' across, filling with rainwater, making a periodic pond. Structures were leveled within a mile leaving reinforced partially standing to 2.5 miles. No wooden structure with 7 miles survived, and the fire storm destroyed many buildings as far as 12 miles.

People did not rebuild the city by 2067. Shrubs and trees taken over the region. Animals prosper to, though mutated at times. Most all mutated offspring do not live long to breed. People do not hunt the area within 50 miles, though the curious do explore on occasion. Range animals are not effected with 15 miles

2042 [28 Jun]: The Divine Guardians of Christ (DGC) launch an ICBM from one a silo from Kansas, having been recommissioned and upgraded in the 2030s. It was their third attempt with the attempt was to wipe out the strongest Catholic holding in North American, in Calvada, for their distrust.

On the 3rd, they got one of the older Minuteman-IIIs out of the silo. On the 17th and 25th, their attempts failed with the missile exploding in the silo during fueling without nuclear detonation, killing several.

On this third a Russian satellite detected the launches, but with it going west with a fairly low trajectory, they just watch in curiosity. Not all of the mervs separated, but did arm. Cavada's high intensity microwave laser batteries at Beale AFB was able to detect the 7 MIRVs (where there should have been 10) in the stratosphere firing 3 of them after 1 detonated high for an EMP burst effecting most all of Calvada.

Three of the MIRVs hit targets; Oakland (with much of San Francisco across the bay), Fresno and Baker Fields. Each was destroyed by 475 ktn air burst warheads.

Westerly winds of 4 knots brought the Oakland fallout inland for hundreds of miles. Fresno and Baker Fields (3 and 6 knots respective) went northeast until joining the Oakland cloud, eventually dissipating over the desert, spreading a thin effect.

The Oakland burst was high enough not to leave a crater, but had a widening range for the EMP. Total devastation was around 4.3 miles across with heavy destruction to out around 3.5 miles from epicenter, moderate damage to 7 miles and light damage to 9 miles. The blast did little damage to the structures of San Francisco itself, though many died from radiation sickness.

The surviving southwest side San Francisco evacuated with little effect to the people. By September, the cleaning was done and people began returning. By 2044, there were around 31,000 in the city.

Missed targets included Reno, Carson City, Beales AFB, San Jose and Sacramento.

Oakland took 3 years to clean itself up after the nuclear blast, but people did, and by 2050, a new waterfront town grew from the rubble, holding the same name.

There was a 3-4 mile westerly wind at the time of the blast, blowing the cloud and fallout eastward. People up when, north and south as far as 100-300 miles, avoided that cloud.

The EMP effect went out around 35-45 miles. Those on the Lee side of Montara Mountain Ridge (Montara, El Granada and half of Moon Bay) were not affected much (about 5%), losing electrical equipment.

2037 [Aug]: The *first known fusion reaction* was announce by *Terra Global Power*.

2037 [21 Jun]: The "Iceland Explosion" began with a 7.3 earthquake. By this time the weight of the ice sheet holding the magma in check was not enough and the island began cracking open. After the initial seismic jolt, series of 6.2 to 8.4 earthquakes shook the land for over three months.

2034 [Apr]: This became the month that marked the "End of the United States" when hardly anyone saw a chance for reconciliation and reformation of the "once great nation that lost it's way." With so many conflicting reasons for the breakup, with each groups disagreeing with each other and blaming everyone else, they began to feel the old nation was fraud from the start and the end was inevitable.

2033 [17 Jul]: A 9.7 *Earthquake near the Mariona Trench* (the deepest point of the oceans on Earth) cause a huge part of the cliff to sear off. The resulting landslide and material collapse created a 216' - 118' tsunami. The height hitting the western side of the Pacific Ocean, Australia and into the Indian Ocean. Even the Atlantic had up to 4' push inland. It was thought that the *Great LA Quake* and this event were related, one shaking the other.

2033 [14 Jun]: *The Great LA* (*Los Angeles*) *Quake*. The epicenter was 12 miles northeast of LA and was recorded at 8.6. The devastation was incredible, collapsing 29 buildings over 30 stories. Fires rages for 4 days and destroyed most of the residential areas. Over 23,000 people lost their lives.





2033 [Mar]: Cascadia sent Guard/Militia units to the *Alaska* border through Canada, as well as ships into the Bering Sea to make their presence to Russia very clear. United America also sent units and ships in support, hoping the act would reunify the states. Cascadia sent delegates to Russia to forge a peaceful solution, including favorable trade status. Considering Russia's depleted situations since its conflict with China, agreed to move out of Alaska.

<u>2033 [Jan]</u>: David Bonn was sworn in as the 49^{th} president of the U.S. This was the last of the Presidents recognized before the other North America nations saw reconciliation of the United States in April 2034.

2032 [Nov]: ~Tuesday~ David Bonne was elected president of what remained of the Former U.S. Canada and other "coalition nations" were able to vote based on original state borders.

<u>2032 [20 Mar]</u>: At 9:58 A.M., during a fairly routine fusion reaction test at Nellis Air Force Base, conducted by *InterFusion*, *Las Vegas*, *Hoover Dam and the western third of Lake Mead* was vaporized, leaving an oblong bowl 1,700 feet deep and 62-89 miles across, cutting the Colorado River in half for decades to come as the bowl fills.

The remaining portion of Lake Mead emptied into the bowl. To save the fish that survived the calamity, food was sprinkled around the New Lake Mead for several years. As the bowl filled from the Upper Colorado, down the Colorado Cascades, the fish and wildlife recovered.

By 2067, the lake grew to about 11 miles at the widest portion. At first, the sediment from the runoff into the water, killing most of the fish. Mineral content increased and the wildlife adapted.

Many, mostly in the Central States, stated in was God's revenge on the wickedness of the city and it is the same as Sodom and Gomorrah in our time and more would fall if people didn't change their wicked ways

Official announcements declares a meteor struck the region, though astronomer and geologist quick debunk that, stating the bowl is not an impact crater, having no debris field. Other said that since there was no fireball witness and no radar tracking from anywhere, it couldn't have been a meteor.

The *Event* is attributed to the *Great L.A. Earthquake* on 14 Jul 2033 and other seismic events around the world as the region shifted. There wasn't much, but enough to create a chain of events, which the fundamentalist point at as proof of further God's wrath.

2031 [21 Dec]: Cascadia fully adopted the new seasonal calendar, the first day being *Winter Fraeyjadae* 2032 (21 December 2031), beginning the calendar on the Long Year of 366 days.

2031 [Apr]: The second Mint was built at Colton, Oregon Province.

2031 [May]: Japan began invasion of northeast China, taking advantage of the disruption. They did this in need of farmland, having lost import confidence of food from the U.S. and other nations. Radiation levels had dropped since the nuclear exchange. Japanese men were given Chinese women and land as incentive for settling into the new acquired regions.

2031 [14 Jan]: Unable to oust the Chinese from the eastern provinces, Russia launches over 120 nuclear missiles at China terretories. China had very limited defensive measures, and most of them failed to stop Russian missiles. A total of 108 separate warheads hit major military and city targets.

China retaliates with a full barrage, but the Russian's orbital and ground defenses destroyed most of the incoming missiles allowing, only 16 missiles are known to get through. Moscow and most major cities are known to have survive.

The Global Federation, not equipped to handle conflicts between the major powers, could do nothing. With the Chinese infrastructure devastated, and the people leaving in mass, Russia regain control of their Eastern provinces.

2030 [20 Jun]: Chinese special forces moved into Eastern Russia provinces, taking control of military installations, followed by a regular army forces with air support. They gain control of oil fields, bringing workers by the thousands. Russia is overwhelmed by the numbers. Chinese paramilitary and regular police occupy cities, towns and rural

territories with military support. Global Federation assisted Russia in border regions, though not enough to retake lost territories.

 Considerable destruction of Russian port by strategic bombing crippled foreign trade, depressing the economy further, leading to Chinese moving into Russian territories.

2030 [Jun]: The *U.S. Federal Capital* officially relocate to *Eagle Crest D.A.* (District of America), taking *Jackson County* in eastern Iowa, along the *Mississippi river*, centered 20 miles south of *Dubuque*. for the new capital of the *United States*, remaining so with *United America*.

2030 [9 Mar]: Washington D.C. was destroyed by a 20-megaton nuclear device at ground level. See Earth Fall: Former United States article for reaction.

 Of the Senator Laisons from Cascadia Provinces, only 3 remained; Francis Nelson, Richard Wheeler and Laura Kristianson.

2029 [7 Jun]: After years of minor earthquakes originating in Ohio and Oklahoma, and a few more substantial ones, the *first of many sinkholes* opened north of Bixby, Oklahoma (Southeast of Tulsa). The collapse was a result of fracking in the past. The hole—284 feet across, 470 feet deep—took 3 homes into it, killing 7. Investigators (using Drilling Ultrasound (see Science & Technology section) began plotting future problems. *See Ohio/Oklahoma Quakes in the Places of Interest section*.

2028 [Sep]: First printing of Cascadia currency occurred at the Olympia meant and treasury then stored at McCord-Lewis Currency Reserve Center.

2028 [16 Jun]: Cascadia's Declaration of Separation from the United States took place. See the Beginnings section for details.

- Senators (retitaled Senator Laison) remained in Washington D.C. to hold representation. Representatives were disbanded.
- Though still under Russian control, Alaska was announced as to provinces of Cascadia to be liberated. U.S. Congress was in shambles, though disputed that claim.

2028 \square : The formal creation of Cascadia took place, including severing ties with the US federal authority. To minimize confusion, casualties and damage, the Cascadian (as separatists call themselves and parent set a plan in motion.

Representatives from the provinces (previously known as states, were recalled from Congress

Military commanders took control of assets already associated by the MT-Future Enterprise company. Transition from the company began

Cascadia continued recognizing the Western Protectorate as the transition took place.

Persons in the region had and till the end of the year to remove themselves from the borders or officially become citizens of Cascadia.

The state government was sworn in as officiaries of Cascadia, or they had to resign.

2028 [6 May]: A conference meeting for the *Cascadia Formation Commission*. The counsel member were Charles Brown, James Rethke, Marissa Goldston, and others.

2028 [— Mar]: Sonora moved into southwest U.S., And by late April took control of Southern California Arizona and New Mexico, as well as portions of Texas.



2028 [4 Feb]: Russia, taking advantage of the disarray of the US, launches a *ground offensive on Alaska soil and nuked Pearl Harbor*. US orbital defense was not able to react fast enough to prevent the latter.

- Russian sets up a naval blockade around Alaska.
- U. S. citizens who did not go to fight the Russian, did a
 military controlled evacuated through Canada. Refugee centers
 controlled by the US were set up along the freeway to American
 soil where individuals citizenship was verified. Strict control
 were set, with any violators being arrested and transported to
 interment camps in America when they awaited disposition.
 None citizens were held for deportation.
- The U.S. decided not to use nuclear weapons, but did bring out the weapons mothballed as part of "Enduring Stockpile," deployeeing them on ICBMs (MX "Peacekeepers," upgraded to MX-2 Mark-14b with 10 475Kt MIRVs, installed in retired unsold silos in Kansas and the Dakotas) and aircraft. Submarines were deployed.
- The U.S. president was seen as week. Though reacted to European and global fears of accelerated use of nuclear weapons, he did declare any further escalation would be responded to with such.

2027 [Dec]: Senora declared independence from Mexico and began a civil conflict, splitting the nation.

<u>2027 [Sep]</u>: The southern states succeed from the Union, forming the Dixie Federation.

2027 [May]: Texas declares independence.

2026 [8-9 Aug]: ~Saterday-Suday~ The first conference for the official establishment of the Cascadia took place in ----, Oregon. By the second day, the 82 attendees agreed to form the Cascadian Formation Convention, having 9 members.

Some of the 82 people who attended the *First Cascadia Conference* were David Rieger, Charles Brown, James Rethke, Nichole Daniels, Marissa Goldston, Gary and Janice Coleman

2026 [Feb]: The third casual meeting of the Cascadian Group. 23 people met. Amongst the attendee was Charles Brown, David Rieger and Marissa Goldston.

2025 [30 Dec]: The first casual meeting of people interested on restricting the influence of the U.S. federal government on the northwest states.

2025 [Jan]: Joshua Wallace was sworn in as the 48th president of the

2024 [-- Nov]: ~Tuesday~ Joshua Wallace was elected president.

2024 [---]: With the advent of the State Unions, and their view of superior opinion of maintaining the interstate road system, the funding and responsible went to Union level. Many expanded toll areas, no longer having to gain federal permissions.

2023 []: *U.S. President Sean Kenneth was assassinated.* It was later discovered that his wife was part of the plot and why it succeeded. Vice President Scott Wilson was sworn in as the 47th President.

2023 [1 Jun]: The *American dollar is revalued* in the remaining United States, restructuring it against the Amero and Euro.

2022 [25 Dec]: ~Sunday~ At 10:38 A.M., New York Time, Christmas morning, while most of the children were playing with their gifts, New York City aws destroyed in a flash from a 30-kiloton nuclear explosion. Fired to around 1,400' from a barge on the East River, near Belmont Island, adjacent to the U.N., being the target in most people's views.

The devide was small, The fire storm caused more wide spread damage, speeping well into Brooklyn to the south, Jersey City to the west, Bronx to the north and just shy of Queens to the east.

President placed the National Defense level at DEFCON-1 and

suspended stock trading in the US. World stocks spiraled out of control under the uncertainty for company leadership and structure lines.

2022 [12 Sep]: The United States has its first case of the *T4* (*Teppi*) *Ebola* virus, occurring in Silver Spring, Maryland. Two days later, 14 other cases were reported, including on as far from the first as Spokane, Washington. Two week later, 19 people had died from it.

2022 [1 May]: The U.S. Congress transferred funding for maintaining interstate highways to the Regional Unions, lowering federal draw on taxes, shifting it to the regions. This was one of many steps to further limit federal controls on the states.

2021 [----]: The *Sectarian Act* is put into law, allowing the states to form unions and operate as a regional entity.

2021 [-- Jan]: Sean Kenneth was sworn in as the 46th president of the U.S.

2021 [4 Jan]: The *Northwest Protectorate* was officially formed.

2021 [---]: The *Amero* was adopted. *See Currency & Economics and the Details & Options section.*

2021 [2 Feb]: The international space station (ISS) was destroyed by a conventional (nonnuclear) ballistic weapon launched by the military regime of Pakistan as a demonstration and statement of their control, as well as resolve to reduce western superiority of global and off-world affairs.

2020 [Nov]: ~Tuesday~ Sean Kenneth was elected president.

2019 [12 Sep]: *Outbreak of a new T4 (Teppi) Ebola virus* emerged first in Teppi, Ethiopia. By November, there were case in seven other central African nations. The strain was less lethal than the Sudan Ebola, it still kill over 70% of the infected. The slower incubation period made it more spreadable, letting the victoms go without symptoms longer.

Sporadic occurrences in Sudan, Nigeria and Camaroon disturbed the medical community, making them wonder how it was spreading, since previous strains did not spread easily. When cases spang up within a family in Maryland who's son visited Kenya, which did not have any outbreak at the time, the CDC became concerned of international travel. Other cases in France and Italy confused the issue. The only connection was traveling to central African nations.

By March 2020, there was a sharp increase of cases in central Africa, placing the continent into a panic. Borders closed and virtually all trade stopped. With cases beyond there, this did not stop the spread of the virus to the rest of the world.

- The Teppi (T4) Ebola strain (the other four being Zaire, Sudan, Reston, and Tai) had a longer incubation time of 8-23 days and takes 5-13 days to run its course once symptoms showed.
- By 2067, this virus was less deadly, though killed 150,000 annually, being about 12% lethal.

2019 [27 Apr]: *Rome was destroyed* by a nuclear warhead launched from a renegade U.S. submarine, orchestrated by Admiral Allen Mayer.

2019 [18 Feb]: ~Monday~ The Amunesen Sea Embayment on the Antartica coast (longitude 99°-123°) broke and began its collapsed. The process took 11 weeks as the pressure behind it creater massive fractures. The ocean rose 7 cm (2.8") by April before the haulting for the winter.





2019 [9 Jan]: The *Central States Union* officially formed, spurring discussions amongst the western states of forming something similar.

2017 [1 Jan]: The *Obesity Health Levy* (the federal *Fat Tax*) went into effect. Several states, including Oregon and Washington allowed it to be deducted from the state taxes, vewing it as unfair.

2017 [Jan]: Joselynn Boswell was sworn in as the 45th president of the U.S.

2016 [Nov]: ~Tuesday~ Joselin Baswell was elected president.

2016 [Apr]: By this month in Antartica, the *Amunesen Sea Embayment* (coastal longitude 99°-123°) shifted 14' more than predicted from the previous year. The winter freeze halted the movement. Each summer brought greater shifting untill February 2019 with the Embayment began its collapsed.

2016 [Feb]: The path of Sol system (with Earth, of course) passed into a region of debris, and a marked increase of meteors and meteorites occurred, becoming nearly constant barrage peaking in 2024 and continuing until April 2038, with a few bursts after that. The events became known as the *Constellation Showers*, though mostly it came from the *Hercules Constellation*. See Constellation Showers in the Details & Options section.

2014 [17 Sep]: First discovered in Kazakhstan, this new strain of the *Type-A/H5N3 Influenza virus* jumped from birds to humans propagating through that nation (killing 143,000, about 1 in 20) and Russian (killing 3.7 million, about 1 in 40 population). Estimated losses in China lost were as high 32.3 million (also about 1 in 40).

Other places had less deaths per population; Europe at 4.7 million (1 in 150 people), North America at 2.6 million (1:200) and 1 in 300 throughout the rest of the world.

This strain had a slow incubation, with very mild symptoms lasting 3 weeks, coming in waves of sniffles and fever for 2-3 days with 1-2 days break. Around the 4th week, the fever goes to 101-103, lasting 2-3 days, dehydrating the body with a 3-17% mortality rate depending on care.

A vaccine was available late season, but only 72% effective and in low supply. By the following year, there was enough vaccines for 1.7 billion. The global deaths dropped to 182 thousand (around 1:38,000 population). After that, the death rate globally for what people called the *Kazakhstan Flu* remained at 1 in 250,000 population, even past 2067.

2014 [1 Jan]: Washington State enacted a state income tax.

2013 [Jul]: With pressure from other countries including the Pakistani authority through the U.N., as well as outcries from citizens of the United States, the last few prisoners being held at Guantanamo Bay detention camp were brought to federal courts for trial.

2013 []: Iowa Senator Jeffrey Marko begins his campaign for the Righteous," a declaration for good Christians to step up and not let the far liberal side ruin America any more and bring back the moral ways that they nation was found. Many point out that Americans and the United States were founded more for individual prosperity and less on faith, hence the separation of church and state.

2013 [Mar]: The United States lost its "AA" international credit rating, becoming a "A," causing a higher interest and payback amounts.

2013 [20 Jan]: Barack Obama was sworn in for his second term.

2012 [6 Nov]: ~Tuesday~ Barack Obama was reelected president for a second term.

Time Line Note: As occurred on 10 April 2010, another time loop spurred at this point, when agents of the *Golden Way* sent back agents from 2423 to replaces ballads in 3 swing states, shifting the election count enough to elect Mitt Romney by electoral major, though national majority was going to President Obama. This other spur is not reflected with the Earth Fall campaign environment. The campaign may have some connection.

There was an outcry from the black community, though

tampering was never discovered. Barack Obama pleaded for calm, but anger was growing. Law suits against the electoral system were dismissed, bring more outcries.

Through it all were many demonstrations and riots. A march on Washington D.C. for Mitt to step down and accept the population majority of the election drew 2.1 million people. Mostly calm, that demonstration did have a few fights, causing 6 major injuries and 1 fatality. Other riots were more costly.

A measure to abolish the electoral system were passed in 2014. The division of the U.S. occurred a few years later, having greater loss of live and destruction.

2012 [17 Nov]: The Great American Pride League began their campaign for unifying U.S. views under the same patriotic ideals, notably Christian morals.

2012 [4 Nov]: ~Sunday~ The American Christian Partnership was formed to promote Christian views for all.

2012 [8 May]: North Carolina passes Amendment One in the election to their constitution, banning same sex marriage. Up to this time there were several states that banned same sex marriages by statute and constitutional changes. Some allowed domestic partnership of the same sex. Both were found to be challenged in a variety of courts. Marriages involving more than two people has met with greater resistance.

2010 [10 Apr]: Assassination attempt on President Obama failed. It was found that the shooter was linked to the *Nation Of Islamic's* (*NOI*) with *Minister Louis Farrakhan* as its leader for the mixed ethnicity of the president. The minister and members never admitted to the attempt and implied in *The Final Call to Islam* paper that though they did not conduct the attempt, it was ordained by God that Obama's wicked past, sinful heritage, moderated appeasing of the population.

Time Line Note: As mentioned at the beginning *Earth Fall: Global History*, the *Reality Time Loop* (the events that is in what people know is to be true) spurred from this event, since more of the population was not aware of such a plot and events. This allows the effort of this article to be as is and not have to keep updating it as the years click by.

The attempt was orchestrated by an interplanetary fellowship of Christrians known as the *Golden Way* who saw *President Obama* as a focal point in history leading to the decline of Christian morals and ways, contributing to the continuation of other faiths, most notable Hindism.

This time line for the campaign would be referred to as *Earth Fall*, with the original labeled *Alpha Prime*.

1996 [21 Sep]: The *Defense of Marriage Act* (DOMA) became U.S. federal law, defining marriage as the "legal union of one man and one woman" in hope to stem off growing challenges to "proper marriages" in courts by those of the same sex, as what occurred in Hawaii. President *Bill Clinton* signed it this day, after passing both houses of Congress by large majorities. Various states began allowing same-sex marriage, including Iowa.

The act declared that no U.S. state or political subdivision be required to recognize a same-sex relationship considered a marriage in another state (or the lesser discussed polygyny, polygamy or polyamory), and that the federal government would not recognize such unions for their purposes (e.g.; Social Security, taxes and government employee insurance benefits).

Sections were found unconstitutional in two Massachusetts court cases and a California bankruptcy case, all of which were under lengthy appeal process. The *Obama* administration announced in 2011 that it had determined that Section 3 was unconstitutional and, though it would continue to enforce the law, it would no longer defend it in court.



Historical Persons

Noting the Resemblance Disclaimer at the beginning of this article, alterations of factual figures have been done to advance the environment, plots and stories. As stated before, there is no malice intended and such alterations are fictional for the work and any social views are for personal observation and perception.

Also see Societies & Organizations section.

Alan Mayer (Admiral): Born in Sumter, South Carolina, on ----, Alan had a great pride for the south.

In ----, upon discovering the ---- became Cardinal, Allen began planning the destruction of the Catholic Church that had plague his mind for so long.

The admiral befriended Captain David Byrds, who had similar views of the corruption and evil of the Catholics and disliked their influence in world economy and national affairs. Together, they orchestrated the destruction of Rome, with the help of 3 ex-SEALs of the U.S. Navy.

The plot was fairly simple. Assassinate the Pope, and while all the cardinal under the age of 80 are selecting one of their own to be the next pope and there were thousands of faithful, deploy a nuke. Admiral Mayer had control of several ballistic subs and the means to assign captaincy. He had records of SEALs and knew of some with disciplinary discharges.

Aura: Know only by her first name, this woman is regarded as the founder of the *Ménage Amour* (see Societies & Organization section), base on her writings by the same name. Direct writing comes in forms of pamphlet (copied sheets, folded and stapled most of the time) given to those she interviews to help with there situation. There are 318 known confirmed pamphlets to exit, each being numbered, the highest being #2381, the earliest is #17, leaving a lot of gaps. Some people produced a few books and there are other who created their own pamphlets associated with the name, as well a forgeries to fill the gaps.

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Little is know of her. Those who met her during interviews she conducted with them tells of a short, plump shapely woman who dresses simply in layered dresses, having a very pleasant manner.

Reports of her age appearance of the decades confounds historians, spiring that Aura is not one person, but several, possibly sisters or a mother and daughters functioning under the same name. The earliest account of her was in 1938. It is thought she dies in 2028 and the daughters did not caring on the work.

Benedict XVI (Catholic Pope): Born 16 April 1927, he became pope on 19 April 2005. Died ----- of pneumonia, succeeded by Pop John XXIV.

<u>David Byrds (Captain)</u>: This U.S. Navy Captain was part of the plot that led to the destruction of Rome on ----. Him and Admiral Alan Mayer orchestrated the plot with the assistants of 3 Navy SEALs who had disciplinary discharges.

Fransis Nelson: Alaska Congressional Senator of the Former U.S.

Janine (Boswell) Kenneth: Wife of President Sean Kenneth (see Presidents in the Details & Options section). Daughter of Joselynn Boswell. She was a popular First Lady, she many women hoped would follow in her mother's footsteps.

Janine was raised Demicratic by her mother, but during college, she drifted to become Republican as she considered building a businesses, eventually becoming valued at \$72 billion; Great American Property and American Global Investments.

Later, after her death, her involvement with the assassination of her husband and the affair she had with Vise President Scott Wilson was braught to public scrutiny. It was discovered that her relation began in 2018.

Janna Lindblom: PhD doctorate, psychologist and a member of American Psychological Association. Published *Puppy Love: Paroles of First Kisses*in May 2013—a semi-autobiograpical of her life who she learned in her practice—and murdered in June 2017 when stabbed in front of a restaurant she came out of with her husband by a mother claiming her daughter and son became lesbian and gay after reading her

book, something her convictions could not handle.

The contriversial book discussed growing with intimate relations of all manners and how the suppression from institutes and those claiming more maturity and knowledge, especially people with degrees like her, were cause greater harm than the acts, that the youth must explore intimacy, that celibacy was harmful and few of youth practiced it, girls enter relations with inept boys and men who think they are great lovers, lacking emotional attatchment, damages girls.

Anna even critized her own husband of being intimatenty inept like most all men and that there was just one man in her life who was not, a man when she was young, and though forceful at times, helped her through the others who would have ruined her, who could not remain and she chose not to go with him because of social practices. In the book, she declared her only fully meaningful intimate relation besides the undeclared man of her youth was with women and it was that man and women around him who showed that to her. When the husband was asked of her comment's, he just said she was correct, though he was quite capable having had 3 children with her and details were private.

The book was cited as one of the reason for lesbian relations, *Pregnancy Pacts* and even gay men becoming more prevelent.

Jeff Marco (Iowa Senator): personally old extreme fundamentalists views, he publicly held a more moderate stance to gain elections. He had support from many evangelists and fundamental groups and gained criticism for it.

He was upset that his state passed the legislation that allowed gays and lesbians to marry, though said he would support the law since the people voted it in. He was even more horrified when his niece married a woman under the law.

On -----, his niece murdered him, leaving a note stuck to the chest with the knife she used to slit his throat. The body was found by his wife would she came home after visiting her sister. She didn't realize there was a note. During the investigation, photos of the note were leaked to reporters as told of years of child abuse by the Senator on his daughter and niece. The note was never officially released and was lost. The photos were declared as fake, perpetrated by the niece. It was said she ran to Cascadia with her wife and the 3 daughters they adopted. They were never found.





John XXIV (Catholic Pope): Thought at the time to be born at Laurent Gaston Plamondon in Marceille, southern France on -----, he became Pope on -----. He was known to be generous to the needy in his service to God and as Pope. People were concern of Malachy's prophacy and Laurent specifically avoident any referent to Peter, even avoiding Simon, the first Pope's true name.

Elected Pope by the Papal conclave on -----

At 1147 P.M. on 14 April 2019, the Pope was shot by 3 assalients. At 1206 A.M, some 22 minutes later, he was pronounced dead. The assassination was time for the aniversery of Lincoln's assissination. On 27 April 2019 --- days later, during the election of the new pope, Rome was distroyed by a cruise missile with 15k nuclear warhead lauched from a submarine in the Mediteradian, 183 miles off coast.

In 2037, a letter found with ----, indicated that John XXIV was actually born Pietro (Peter) Alesso Bianchi swapped with a small child from a runaway youth when there. Plamondon in diminutive of French plamont flat-top mount, having the stone connection and the meaning of

Prophecy of Malachy: 268 (112) In persecutione extrema S.R.E. sedebit Petrus Romanus, qui pascet oves in multis tribulationibus: quibus transactis civitas septicollis diruetur, & Judex tremêdus judicabit populum suum. Finis. (In extreme persecution, the seat of the Holy Roman Church will be occupied by Peter the Roman, who will feed the sheep through many tribulations, at the term of which the city of seven hills will be destroyed, and the formidable Judge will judge his people. The End.)

Joselynn Boswell: Became the 45th President after Barack Obama on 20 January 2017, and is the mother of Janine (Boswell) Kenneth, wife of the 46th president. Was Governor of Pennsylvania from 18 January 2011 to March 2016 when she announced her candidacy for President. Became President on 20 January 2017. Was the Pennsylvania Secretary of transportation from 3 January 2000 to 18 January 2011.

In November 2022, President Scott Kenneth was informed that the vice president had a private deal to go into wilderness reserve he was working and a few bills in Congress that was to profit him. Ultimately the bills would extensively profit for Janine and her companies. Sean talked to Scott to cease, that if it became public, it would be devastating for the Presidential office and the Republican Party. Scott claimed that he would not profit from the bills, but he would support them. In February 2023, Sean saw that Scott had used a shadow company to benefit him. When Sean declared to protect himself by exposing him, Janine made the president vulnerable to an assassination. The bills went through, Janine and Scott profited greatly, her company becoming worth \$122 billion before the Former U.S. broke up. Jasmine remained wealthy and as a senator of the United America within the North American alliance.

Laura Kristianson: Oregan Congressional Senator under the Former U.S. since 2025, becoming Senator of Parliament in ----

As U.S. Senator and a large woman, she are seen as a personal to repeal the Obesity Health Levy.

Laura (39) as elected U.S. Senator of Oregon in November 2024.

Met Nolan and his wife, Penny, at the Cascadian Conference on ------. They had a private dinner at the ----, and Italian restaurant. After a few months in interacts and growing personally attached, they developed an intimate relation. She kept the relation from her family Was at her farm in Oregon on 7 March 2030 when Washington D.C.

was destroyed. She was campaigning for reelection. Secret service collected her and her family, bringing them to a secure location.

As the nation fell apart, Laura assisted her elder son take control of military assets in the Northwest.

<u>Louis Farrakhan Muhammad</u>: ~11 May 1933 to ---- ~ *Aka Louis Eugene Wolcott and Louis X.* Leader o the *Nation of Islam (NOI)*, husband to Khadijah Farrakhan (born Betsy Ross), father of ----

Marissa Goldston: Owner of Goldston Limited, high school dropout, younger sister of Natilie Goldston, mother and living in Oregon, Marissa built wealth along with her father who taught her stock trade.

After the death of her parents in an auto accident, Marissa accumulated the entire family wealth under Goldston Limited, expanded it. Natilie went to Europe, leaving Marrisa in full control. As she grew her wealth, she begain buy conciderable stocks in MT-Future Enterprise, and with is gave Cascadia the foundation it needed.

See The Beginning section for her role in the creation of Cascadia.

Paymond Holms (Catholic Cardical): Died in Rome with the distruction of the city.

He became cardical in ----.

Presidents: See Details & Options section.

Richard Wheeler: Washington Congressional Senator of the Former U.S. between ---- and -----, replacing the senator killed when Washington D.C. was distroyed by a nuclear weapon.

Samual Harrington: One of the 82 attendees of the Cascadia Formation Committe with Nolan Bernsteign, Marissa Goldton and others.

Samual's begest contribution was the was his pressure to bring about the Bureau of Stella Exproation & Colonization and its influence to get Cascadia well established in space and a large element of Cascadia's strength.



International Relations

S ome players may find it strange to read about some of the entries in this section as foreign, but during portions of the history, places like Colorado are not part of Cascadia, so they are treated as a foreign land.

 $\underline{\pmb{Colorado}}.$ Being part of midwest state, Colorado became part of the Midwest Union.

• When the state took sides and joined the Midwest Union, those who were not comfortable with the restrictive nature of the act, left. Many went to the Northwest, mostly settling in Idaho and eastern Washington.

Japan: B

• Cascadia kept trading with Japan, protecting ships as far out to sea as 300 miles, sometime further.





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