

ILIO TC Meeting Notes

Meeting Information

Meeting Date:	March 15, 2019		
Meeting Time:	9:00am-12:00am		
Meeting Location:	Coupeville Library 788 NW Alexander St Coupeville, WA 98239 (WebEx available)		
Meeting Attendees	Lori Clark	Dennis LeFevere	
	Jill Wood	Matt Zupich	
	John Lovie	Barbara Bennett	
	Keith Higman	David Trimbach	
	Dawn Spilsbury Pucci	Todd Zackey (WebEx)	
	Laura Ferguson	Paul McElwain (SWS)	
Meeting Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FY2018 NEP Process Discussion 2. 2019 priority setting 		
		Total Time:	180 minutes

Minutes

Topic:	Updates	Action Item Owner:	Lori/
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none 		
Follow-up Items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori shared the 2019 SRTCC Master Island County Tiered Project List with ILIO TC. We will review this with an ILIO lens at an upcoming meeting. • Lori completed connecting the 2018 NTAs (local and regional) to the Miradi logic models. This can help us start to make decisions about gaps in actions to help partners develop projects/actions where we need to have a greater impact. • DOH released a RFP for the Preparing for Climate Change Risks to Shellfish and Public Health. A total of \$150,000 is available to fund 1 – 3 projects. Island LIO area does not have large shellfish beds thus not likely to be competitive for funding. Lori offered to help anyone who is interested in submitting an application. 		
Topic:	FY 2018 NEP Funding Process Discussion	Action Item Owner:	Lori
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none 		
Follow-up Items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori will revise the briefing document that captures the LIO Coordinator's collective concern over the role 		

	<p>of LIOs in Action Agenda implementation and in influencing Puget Sound recovery investments/actions memo and send to the TC for review before the next ILIO TC meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the decision process on how to distribute allocation between the Vital Signs? Lori will take this question to the AACG. • Note: The SILs will attend a joint ILIO TC and EC meeting on April 17th. 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ILIO submitted a comment letter on the FY2018 NEP SIAT Funding Recommendations. Lori spoke with the Habitat SIL representatives to make sure they know that we appreciated that our comments and suggestions from previous years have been heard and incorporated to adaptively manage the NTA development/review process and that we hope that we can continue to help to influence improvements to the process. • John Lovie gave a summary of the Habitat SIAT process from his perspective. Disappointed with lack of leadership with the EPA or PSP on the SIATs. • The SILs will be attending an upcoming EC meeting to discuss the comments and answer any questions ILIO members have about the selection process. • Structural change to the program would benefit the process. SIATs divided are into three groups yet the Habitat SI covers a lot of these areas. Need to establish a minimum (\$) for each vital sign. Not necessarily equal amounts, but that there would be funding available for each vital sign. • What is the decision process on how to distribute allocation between the Vital Signs? Lori will take this question to the AACG. • Lori drafted a briefing document that captures the LIO Coordinator's collective concern over the role of LIOs in Action Agenda implementation and in influencing Puget Sound recovery investments/actions. Many of the LIO Coordinators are using the language in this briefing document to inform discussions with their Executive Committees. This is a draft document. The ILIO TC has time to review this before it is shared with the ILIO EC for consideration. • Keith shared some concern regarding governance and structure of the ILIO TC and requested engagement on discussion around the briefing document go gage TC members' feedback and make sure there is support to move this to the EC for consideration. • Barbara shared that there is not an intro on the mission of the organization to reflect why we are doing this. An introduction would create cohesion. Taylor this to Island County. Why we are important. Recommendations as they relate to Island County. • Dawn added that there is a delicate balance between what happens at the regional level around the available time for input. It is always stronger to have input from locals. For the TC to be more engaged, it would require more meeting time. • Dennis is new to the process. He appreciates the leadership in developing the documents and presenting. • Lori will revise the memo and send to the TC for review before the next ILIO TC meeting. • Make clear who is "staff". 		
Topic:	Ecosystem Component Target/Goal Status	Action Item Owner:	Lori
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	None		
Follow-up Items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori will make sure the City of Oak Harbor is invited to the MRC MRC shoreline infrastructure workshop. 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori presented the status of our ecosystem components at the Sound Waters University on February 1st. • PSP is updating and adding progress measures, activity measures, intermediate measures and ecosystem outcome measures (aka vital signs) to be used to inform adaptive management of PS recovery efforts. The ILIO can start looking at which of these we would like to include this Fall. • The following notes were captured regarding the vital signs and current 2020 recovery targets: • Shoreline Armoring: need to revise graph with updated information. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chinook and other listed species: Nearshore and estuaries common indicators by end of 2019. This is not one of them. Culverts and tidegates are an issue. Habitat status and trends report ties in the uplands. Permits back up the metrics for this indicator. Pocket estuaries & Estuarine Wetlands: not going to happen by 2020. Contribution (project list). What is the impact of doing those? Add the potential acreage target. Areas to improve areas of pocket estuaries. Marine Water Quality: 303 listed data. Can't drop this VS because DOH uses this to inform the Shellfish Protected District. DO as a filter. Freshwater Quality: Shellfish Beds: Onsite Sewage: This VS does not account for sewage treatment plant outfalls. OSS compliance is a poor indicator. Laura shared that the PSP team is refreshing VS's and it is likely that human behavior vital signs will be reclassified not as vital signs but as intermediate indicators. That will be a decision to be made during this year's vital sign refresh process and with approval from our Boards. Eelgrass & Kelp Beds: Barb reported that the MRC eelgrass monitoring team is having difficulty monitoring. Boat monitoring to confirm the species of eelgrass present is limited. DFWW is appreciative. At Cornet Bay actions could be taken to protect the eelgrass (mooring signage). Kelp beds use kayaks. Dennis would like information about the MRC shoreline infrastructure workshops. Lori will make sure the City of Oak Harbor is invited to the MRC workshop. 		
Topic:	DASEES & Spatial Overlays (EnviroAtlas)	Action Item Owner:	David
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> none 		
Follow-up Items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lori will send out the EnviroAtlas link to the ILIO TC and show where they can find the metadata. 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lori, John and David met last week to walk through DASEES and input Island's ecosystem components and NTAs to observe how our local strategies are influencing ecological and social components. The exercise was to see if we could utilize this tool to inform our decision on which of the human wellbeing indicators would be best for the ILIO to use to measure the human dimension of ecosystem recovery. We began looking at the consequences of scenarios with the 2018 NEP locally funded projects. The exercise helped see where we have actions/NTAs addressing priority ecosystem components and where we have identified a priority component and are not currently working to protect restore it. Using structured decision making is a more quantitative way to make decisions. How you define strategies, objectives, and indicators? Integrating into decision making processes. Keith likes DASEES as a starting point to help make decisions John thinks could help design NTAs. Subjectivity but we can assess these and make educated decisions. Systematic. We don't have anything that addresses Eelgrass/Kelp. Hearing support from the ILIO TC for using DASEES to make decisions, Lori will continue to put information into the back end and bring consequence tables to the group at the next meeting. More objective subjectivity. It will compare two things with subjectivity. Spatial overlays is another tool we can use. EnviroAtlas was developed by EPA. Lori will send out the EnviroAtlas link to the ILIO TC and show where they can find the metadata. 		

Upcoming ILIO meetings:

Joint TC & EC:

April 17th 11am-12pm – BICC Hearing Room

Technical Committee:

May 15, 2019 11am-12:30pm – L&J Bldg, Room 131

June 13th 9-11am – Coupeville Library

July 17, 2019 TBD

Executive Committee:

April 24, 2019 10am BICC Hearing Room
July 26, 2019 10am BICC Hearing Room
October 23, 2019 10am BICC Hearing Room