

ILIO TC Meeting Notes

Meeting Information

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2019		
Meeting Time:	11:00am-12:30pm		
Meeting Location:	Coupeville Library 788 NW Alexander St Coupeville, WA 98239		
Meeting Attendees	Lori Clark	Barbara Bennett	
	David Trimbach	Gwendolyn Hannam (WICD)	
	John Lovie	John Lovie	
	Jill Wood	Todd Zackey	
	Dawn Spilsbury Pucci		
	Laura Ferguson		
Meeting Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Updates ECB presentation on LIO role in NEP funding model and AA planning & implementation 2. Discuss selection of FY2019 NEP local allocation.. 		
		Total Time:	90 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"> • Lori will inquire about changes in LIO representation in Habitat SIAT now that Jessica has transitioned from her LIO Coordinator role at Stilly-Sno. 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ILIO Executive Committee approved the TC recommendation to utilize the scores and ranked list of Island LIO NTAs from the 2018-2022 NTA scoring and ranking process to allocate the local allocation of FY2019 NEP funds. • Clara Hard with the Shellfish Strategic Initiative contacted Lori regarding the lack of response from the Town of Coupeville regarding the contracting for NTA# 2018-0234, Coupeville Outfall Study. She indicated that if she does not get a response by this week they would not continue contracting for this project. Lori asked if the ILIO TC could re-allocate these funds to a different project. • Next month the ILIO TC will meet in the L&J Room 131 on September 18th.. • Spending time to be on a SIAT would be one of those opportunities or tables to be at. ILIO member applied to be on the SIAT; but there seemed to be a disconnect – they were not checking the enrollment information or messages. • Discussion of stormwater manual and potential updates. • MRCs held a series of workshops for property owners that have deteriorating structures – educating people of natural or eco-friendly projects or strategies for dealing with these types of structures and their 		

	<p>impacts on the nearshore. Having a charette discussion – about sealevel rise and structures. On September 28 in Island County.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in LIO representation in Habitat SIAT? – As Jessica is leaving...Lori will find out. • 		
Topic:	ECB presentation on LIO role in NEP funding model and AA implementation	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"> • none 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LIO Coordinators presented at the Ecosystem Coordination Board meeting on August 15th to discuss the LIOs role in the NEP funding model and AA implementation. Scott prepped the ECB in June on the upcoming agenda item. The main points shared were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Partnership is missing an opportunity to take advantage of LIOs and the membership and technical expertise available. ○ The way LIOs are currently being under used, under supported, underfunded, and underappreciated is driving away membership and the desire to continue. • The conversation then went a couple of different directions, with ECB members co-opting the issues to express their own perspectives and allowing a divergence from the LIO topic we were presenting about. It was decidedly an uncomfortable conversation for the ECB, but one we LIOs felt was necessary. There were comments that the ECB is the appropriate group to address this issue. • Many ECB reps supported our concerns, expressing similar thoughts of their own regarding the necessity for local engagement, and negative consequences of losing it, and the importance of maintaining it or fixing it - something that more capacity funds for LIO coordinators alone won't fix. • There were many comments about the imbalance of the process load versus beneficial outcomes. • There was a suggestion to use the Continuous Improvement Project work with Paul Cereghino to look at these issues. This is intriguing but perhaps too big, when we are talking about system-wide changes, though there may be an application. More discussion needed. • There was a suggestion that local buy-in should be increased, as in, local entities provide funds for their respective LIO. As a side note, LIOs to think about the need to communicate the many ways this already occurs but is not easily quantified (i.e. staff time, administrative support, office/venue space, etc.) • Peter Murchie (EPA) thanked us for raising our concerns and committed to having internal conversations and working with PSP to see what could be addressed. He also looked to the funding model update as an opportunity to have these conversations with local parties (that work will begin in 2020 but changes won't be seen until FY2021). • Laura Blackmore (PSP) recognized our concerns, but also commented that she wished LIOs would have come to her first before going to the ECB, and that this was the first she was hearing about this. LIOs have brought up these issues many times in the past and did bring the topic to the ECB at their May 2019 meeting. It was at that meeting when the ECB asked the LIOs to come back in August to present a proposal. As you know, LIOs worked with Partnership staff to develop the proposal and presentation for the August 15 ECB meeting. Laura also suggested that the LIO-LE integration work could be a forum to address some of these issues and that PSP would also consider the recommendations they provided as a result of their "watershed proviso" response from 2014. She did commit to working with her staff to begin figuring out what they could do to improve (and word is that they had a meeting about it on Monday 19 August) and that they needed some time to work on this before bringing any concrete changes for the ECB to consider. • ECB members did not raise a voting resolution to express support or move any of our objectives forward, but they did emphasize that PSP should come back at their next meeting (Nov) with an update on proposed improvements. 2 hour conversation and no final decision was made. Another meeting will take place later on with the ECB. 		

	Next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let PSP know we (LIOs) are ready to engage; set up a call with Laura, and other key people, • Add this topic to the Nov LIO Coordinator meeting agenda to share updates and discuss. • Attend Oct Leadership Council meeting to provide public comment outlining LIO concerns • Have LIO leadership talk to Leadership Council members about our concerns, and request to get on the Dec. LC meeting agenda to facilitate detailed discussion. • Wait to see what PSP does regarding engagement and suggested improvements in advance of the Nov. ECB meeting. 		
Topic:	Recommendation for process to select local NTA for FY2019 NEP local allocation	Action Item Owner:	Lori
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ILIO TC recommends funding 2018-0637 Island County Stormwater Technical Assistance and Outreach Network with FY2019 NEP funding. 		
Follow-up Items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori and David will work to update the information in DASEES and provide this for a workshop in September. 		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ILIO TC discussed that given the Town of Coupeville's capacity limitations right now, and their postponement of the FY2018 funding, the 2018-0326, Penn Cove Water Quality Improvement – Coupeville Sewer Extension, not be considered for FY2019 NEP funding. • The City of Oak Harbor's three NTAs are not in need of funding at this time as they are in process of a feasibility analysis to inform the phasing of these projects. • Conversation focused on NEP allocation - \$100K – starts here, then EC, then SIAT depending the project. • NTAs and their information (including scores); also scores details and additional information. Discussion of feasibility score vs. complete. Brought up score spreadsheet. – One project is a feasibility study – should it be considered within the context of the other projects? • DASEES – highlighting its capabilities and what it can provide to the NTA decision-making process – presented 3 maps developed by WF. • NTA discussion – including of owner(s), DASEES, maps, and previously provided scores • the top three projects are either already funded or not possible for funding because of the NTA owner and their issues • NTA decision – today or later? With tools/etc... Also NTA owner needs to provide more information, etc. • Interest in using DASEES for monitoring and documenting recovery components overtime – will try to integrate DASEES into follow-up TC meeting • Each recovery component needs a status – thinking about perhaps using DASEES to help with updating recovery component status to various committees 		

Upcoming ILIO meetings:
 September 18, 2019, 11:00am-12:30pm, L&J Rm 131
 October 16, 2019, 11:00am-12:30pm, Coupeville Library

Executive Committee:
 October 23, 2019 10am BICC Hearing Room