

ILIO TC Meeting Notes

Meeting Information

Meeting Date:	April 14, 2020		
Meeting Time:	1:00pm-3:00pm		
Meeting Location:	WebEx		
Meeting Attendees	Lori Clark (ILIO Coordinator)	Barbara Bennett (MRC)	Lisa Kauffman (Northwest Straits Foundation)
	Ann Prusha (ICDNR)	Todd Zackey	Jason Morgan (Northwest Straits Foundation)
	John Lovie (WRAC, SRTCC)	Dawn Spilsbury Pucci (SRTCC)	Theresa Mitchell (WA Fish and Wildlife)
	David Trimbach (OSU)	Ryan Elting (WCLT)	Loren Brokaw (WA Fish and Wildlife)
	Gwendolyn Hannam (WICD)	Paul Ben McElwain	Kristin Marshall (Snohomish CD)
	Laura Rivas (PSP)	Stan Walsh (Skagit River System Cooperative) via WebEx	Anna Toledo (ICDNR)
Meeting Objectives:	1 Select NTA for FY2020 NEP local allocation funding to recommend to ILIO EC.		
		Total Time:	120 minutes

Minutes

Topic:	Updates	Action Item Owner:	Lori
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	•		
Follow-up Items:	• Lori will send out the Puget Sound letter of support for members to sign.		
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The March 31 Structured Decision Making (SDM) workshop has been rescheduled to May 29. This workshop is for 2-3 members of ISs and LIOs each. It will be less learning through instruction and more learning from small groups and doing your own work at home. It will be a Zoom workshop and will likely have a password – please let Lori know if you want to join. • Salish Sea Ecosystem Recovery Conference is offering a digital program free of charge: https://wp.wvu.edu/salishseaconference/ • Natural Resources Newsletter went out April 7. Let Lori know if you did not receive this. It could go to your junk mail folder. • The Stormwater SIL is hosting a small community workshop on April 29 via Zoom (link will be provided soon). This workshop was intended to hear smaller communities share and discuss their challenges, solutions and "asks" related to stormwater management in small communities. Links for joining have been provided by Lori and Heidi. • Stormwater and Shellfish SIAT info – message Lori if you have a project to share. • Commissioner Janet St. Clair is hosting a virtual town hall on April 24 at 12pm to celebrate Earth Day. It is open to everyone. • Puget Sound Day on the Hill is going to be rescheduled for the fall. A letter of support will be going out today. Lori will send this out for TC members to sign. • Puget Sound Partnership updates: Due to COVID-19, the PSP will not be holding or attending any in-person meetings until June at least. The PSP Vital Sign Revision project is still occurring, and the sec- 		

	<p>ond workshop was held at end of March. It will be presented to their Board in May. They are tracking the state budget – when the session ended, there were a lot of natural resources wins. Most of these have been sustained after the Governor signed the budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OSU is sending out a human wellbeing survey. • The ILIO will be meeting electronically until Lori hears otherwise.
Topic:	<p>Select NTA for FY2020 NEP local allocation funding to recommend to ILIO EC.</p> <p>Action Item Owner: Lori</p>
Decisions Made and Action Item(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ILIO Technical Committee utilized the scoring to inform the discussion for the selection and prioritization of three 2018-2022 regional NTAs with direct, local impact to recommend for FY2020 NEP local funding allocation (\$200,000) (criteria and NTA selection process outlined below). • NTA 2018-0603 will be recommended to the ILIO Executive Committee for approval to submit to the Habitat SIAT for FFY2020 NEP funding.
Follow-up Items:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The scores will be input into Decision Analysis for a Sustainable Environment, Economy and Society (DASEES) to prioritize the NTAs and observe the potential benefits for each of the NTAs. • Lori will email Habitat SIL Pilot Project scores to Cynthia Catton with WA DNR. It will have the caveat that the EC still needs to vote on them.
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori sent out the scoring matrix and project details for the selected NTAs (2018-0219, 2018-0707, and 2018-0603). John input the data and calculated the pre-scoring for ILIO TC discussion and consideration. Eight ILIO TC members pre-scored the following regional NTAs prior to the April 14th WebEx meeting: 1) 2018-0219 – Shoreline Restoration Effectiveness Monitoring; 2) 2018-0603 – Local Coordination to Advance PSNERP-Identified Projects; 3) 2018-0707: Shoreline Armoring Reduction and Prevention Program. • John gave an update on the scoring. These scores have been modified slightly from the NTA's criteria. Everyone's scores have been averaged. All averaged scores are very similar, with 2018-0603 coming out just ahead. 2018-0603's individual scores were more varied (likely due to lack of information), while the other two were more consistent among scorers. • Due to the COVID-19 response, committee work has been limited. The plan for recommended FFY2020 NEP funding allocation for Island LIO is to move forward with taking advantage of the Habitat SIAT's pilot project (\$200,000). If the Executive Committee is not able to meet in time for submitting recommendations (May 12), the other option is to have the Technical Committee reverse this recommendation and to go back to the original approved scoring and ranking from the last annual funding round for the WICD project NTA 2018-0137, North Whidbey Island Water Quality Outreach and Best Management Practice Assistance. This would only be for the \$100,000 local NEP allocation. The Executive Committee will likely meet or at least vote via email in time to get the Habitat SIAT recommendation put through. • NTA owners attended the meeting to answer questions and provide clarity to inform the final scoring assigned by the ILIO TC to recommend NEP FFY2020 funding. • Lisa spoke about 2018-0707. There is technical assistance from ESRP. She has submitted to accelerate timing for restoration projects. When it was resubmitted, it was removed due to a reduced budget. This funding will allow the design to move more quickly on two projects, and get into the construction phase. Outreach to landowners is still included in the funding. Moving into the future, there is no dedicated funding to the outreach elements, and funding will need to be found to provide technical assistance to landowners. This is timely and supports projects that are already underway. • Jason shared details about 2018-0219. NEP funding can be applied to monitoring. This is important work that can inform adaptive management of the Shore Friendly work that Island County has been doing and continues to invest in for soft shore protection. • Loren spoke to the capacity of to WDFW to work with 2018-0603. They should have capacity. This funding would kick-start the restoration feasibility portion of this project. The intention is to show the feasibility of the project, and take into consideration several variable factors (such as landowner willingness), and gather data on the feasibility comparing various scenarios. Funding now would help with a

feasibility study and acquisition.

- John Lovie then went over scores again. 2018-0603 is in the lead, followed closely by the two other Habitat projects. The three projects for Shellfish and Stormwater SILs are ranked below these. 2018-0219 and 2018-0707 are not eligible for shore friendly funding. 2019-0219 is likely to be funded by the Habitat SIAT, and needs a couple more rounds of review.
- Tribes will be involved in the decision at the EC meeting, and are expected to support the decision.
- Lori will be in contact with Cynthia Catton with the Washington State DNR by April 15th, to let her know the ILIO is still participating in the Habitat SIAT's pilot program and that the EC still needs to vote on this decision.

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