



Salmon Recovery Technical & Citizen Committee Meeting

Island County - WRIA 6

9/20/17 1-3:00 pm

Location: Camano Library

Introductions/announcements

Member Participants: Paul Marczin (WDFW), Greg Goforth (IC Planning), Julius Budos (Citizen), Kristin Marshall (SCD), Mona Kristoferson Campbell (Kristoferson Farm), Tom Vos (Citizen)

WebEx: Nathan Howard (IC Planning), John Lovie (Citizen), Ryan Elting (WCLT), Dave Thomson (MRC)

Others: Dawn Pucci (LE Coordinator), Lori Clark (IC DNR)(WebEx), Suzanna Stoike (PSP) (WebEx)

1) Introductions/announcements

2) Updates

The meeting notes for Aug were not approved due to edits that weren't incorporated yet. Add Todd's comments and bring back in October.

ILIO – Near Term Action submittals will be streamlined this year. The RFP will be released in a few months. All projects are encouraged to apply, if they address a vital sign. To be eligible for funding, they must be in the Action Agenda. Other funding agencies review the list for potential projects to fund. This solicitation will be for projects for 2018-2022.

PSP – Still no capital budget.

The Skagit Fish Enhancement Group have nominated Jay Kidder to be their representative on SRTCC. He has a biology/ecology background and lives on Whidbey Island. He has yet to accept this position.

Atlantic Salmon Net Pen Collapse – 305,000 fish in pens pre collapse; 145,000 recovered from pens; 20,000 caught by tribal fisheries. Atlantic fish being seen north towards Desolation Sound to South Puget Sound and out on the Coast by Quinalt. A Unified Incident Command (Emergency Response) was initiated by the Governor. Weekly written updates and phone calls to stakeholders were conducted. Island County's Emergency Management Director, Eric Brooks, received the notifications and passed them along to IC DNR.

3) Strategies

Reviewed the strategies identified by Phase 1 Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan. These strategies were 'pulled' out of the 2005 Salmon Recovery Plan content. SRTCC reviewed them to identify where they could be combined or 'word smithed' to better align with our current goals.

Discussion points:

How do we address protection and support acquisition? Do we add a target for acres of land to be protected? It was unclear whether this would be best addressed as a limiting factor/pressure (loss of habitat) with a target. Or if it is better to enable protection via a strategy that relieves the already existing pressures. Must ensure that acquisitions and easements are projects supported by the plan. Dawn will work with Mona and Ryan on wording for a protection strategy.

Some 2005 strategies seem redundant and attempts were made to combine and clarify language and intent.

Suzanna encouraged a streamlining in the number of strategies identified. Julius suggested that we should not reduce the number of strategies to the point of not being able to fund a

project for the sake of streamlining at this point. It is better to keep our options open, be general about our strategies in order to be able to support different kinds of projects that may be proposed.

Several old strategies address communication and education. These are to support the older goals of creating a supportive community around salmon recovery and is currently used to justify tasks the coordinator may do that isn't directly related to a project, i.e. Sound Water Stewards training or community events. Suzanna and Dawn will check to ensure that these activities are covered by being included the coordinator's scope of work and not necessary to be included in the recovery plan itself.

To be continued....

4) **Criteria**

The criteria from several different watersheds were introduced briefly for consideration on what kind of structure we want to use for our criteria. The examples ranged from:

- Red/Yellow/Green ranking of projects
- Scores that are multiplied by weighting factor
- Complex scoring driven my models like EDT

The discussion on criteria will be continued. An extra meeting in October will be added.

Adjourn –

Next Meeting: October 18, 1-3pm **Room 131, Coupeville** – Strategies and Criteria
October 26, 1-3pm, **Camano Library** – Criteria
November 15, 1-3pm, **Camano Library** – Criteria
Dec 20, 1-3pm, **Coupeville Library**– Adaptive Mgmt Plan and 2018 Grant Round