



Salmon Recovery Technical & Citizen Committee Meeting

Island County - WRIA 6

5/17/17 1-3:00 pm

Location: Camano Library

Introductions/announcements

Member Participants: Nathan Howard (IC Planning), Julius Budos (Citizen), John Lovie (Citizen), Todd Zackey (Tulalip Tribes), Mona Kristoferson Campbell (Kristoferson Farm), Jim Somers (SFEG), Tom Vos (Citizen), Rick Baker (WWS), Ryan Elting (WCLT), Paul Marczin (WDFW), Greg Goforth (IC Planning), Terica Ginther (Deception Pass Tours), Dave Thompson (MRC)

Others: Dawn Pucci (LE Coordinator), Suzanna Stoike (PSP, Phone), Lori Clark (IC DNR), Matt Colston (IC DNR Intern)

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2) Updates

The meeting notes for April were approved.

PSP – No news yet on state budgets which means we are not sure about project allocation amount.

ILIO – Because there is a Federal Continuing Resolution for the budget, the likelihood of the Pearson/Possession Acquisition Large Cap project being funded with EPA dollars has increased. Stay tuned...

Public Works has approached the Lead Entity about acquiring SRFB funds to replace some culverts from the 2014 Area 1 Culvert List. Great news!

The Skagit River System Cooperative has been seining the area around the new pocket estuary in Dugualla Bay and is finding plenty of juveniles utilizing the area. We will try to get copies of the data in July when they are finished.

3) Vision Statements

A collaborative conversation was had around wording and intent for each of the vision statements. There was agreement to add “governments” to the “citizens” language in the 2005 vision statement. There was also thorough discussion around nearshore processes, food webs and habitats. The conversation left without completing the statement on the climate change resiliency statement (i.e. what does community meant – fish or human?) and the water quality vs quantity statement. Dawn will attempt to revise these again and we will discuss further in June.

Plan	Draft Statements "We, the citizen volunteers and staff of the WRIA 6 salmon recovery lead entity, envision:"
2005	Abundant Pacific salmon using nearshore and coastal stream habitats in WRIA 6
2005	Diverse, viable populations of salmon coexisting with the human population and supporting harvest
2005	Strong community and <u>government</u> support for ecosystem protection and restoration
2017	<u>Functioning nearshore processes that support salmon and the food web upon which they depend</u>
2017	<u>Resilient and connected habitats that function to support salmon</u>
2017	water quality and quantity to support nearshore habitats, or clean, cool water and stream flow that support salmon and the food web upon which they depend, or FW stream quantity
2017	Marine, stream and wetlands water quality
2017	Communities that are sustainable and resilient to the changes in coastal tides and storm severity <i>Climate change and resiliency and future impacts</i> <i>Our projects provide enhanced resiliency</i> Salmon habitats that are resilient to changing conditions and future impacts

4) Pre-Scores and Criteria Questions/discussions

The committee discussed the projects with the largest difference in scores to understand why there is such variety in the way committee members scored they way they did. The discrepancies were usually a result of:

1. Misunderstanding of cumulative values for species benefitting
2. Misunderstanding of which questions have ranged values vs. set values
3. Difference of opinions on significance of potential impact or continuity.

Some members changed the values of their answers. Final scores are due June 16 after the review panel comments have been received and the projects have been finalized.

Some of the discussion around the criteria questions:

Monitoring and Volunteering – a lot of projects don't require volunteer or monitoring. Question is not applicable to all projects.

Volunteering – Does it count when the sponsor are volunteers? They are doing the foot work to develop the project but area also directly 'benefitting' from the project.

Different scores for capital/non-capital projects is not effective when scores are calculated as % of possible points. No point in having different values.

Adjourn

June 9 – Final applications due from sponsors

**June 21 (Coupeville) – Vision/Goals & Final scoring and ranking – rescheduled to Monday
June 19**