



Salmon Recovery Technical & Citizen Committee Meeting

Island County - WRIA 6

Site Visits

3/5/2020

Introductions/announcements

Member Participants: Barbara Brock (Citizen, Co-chair), Paul Marczin (WDFW), John Lovie (Citizen), Tom Vos (SWS), Gwendolyn Hannam (WICD), Todd Zackey (Tulalip, Co-chair), Tansy Schroeder (IC Planning), Mona Campbell (Business), Jon Decker (Land Trust), Hannah Liss (IC Planning), Gwendolyn Hannam (WICD), Jessica Côté (Blue Coast Engineering), Mike Bianchi (USN), Tim Hillman (Citizen)

Review Panel: Jennifer O'Neal, Steve Toth, Ameer Bahr

Others: Dawn Spilsbury Pucci (LE Coordinator), Laura Rivas (PSP), Lori Clark (ILIO), Traci Sanderson (Blue Coast Engineering), Jason Armstrong (State Parks – Deception Pass), Lisa Kaufman (NWSF), Ryan Elting (WCLT), Larry Davis, Eric Brooks, Jennie Brooks, Shelby Preston

1) Introductions

2) [Nearshore Protection Tool Implementation #20-1134](#)

Ryan and Jon detailed their vision of how the project will work. They provided data on the proportion of SRFB funding to total funding for previous projects, as well as how that proportion compares to the proportion of nearshore to upland acreage for each project. The funding allocated to the project will only be used for acquisition/ protection necessities (purchase prices, appraisal fees, etc) and will not be used to fund WCLT staff capacity costs beyond the normal small amount used to manage the grant, which is usual for all SRFB grants.

Dawn detailed how these types of projects have worked in the Stillaguamish and Skagit Lead Entities. Each of the lead entities have different interim review procedures once project sponsors identify potential parcels.

Steve emphasized that the Prioritization Tool and a Protection Strategy are two different, though related, things. A Protection Strategy stipulates how the tool is used and explains where the focus areas are and why they were selected. SRTCC members pointed out that our scoring criteria

supports how we focus our protection efforts. Dawn suggested writing the strategy up formally stating how the tool will be used, detail the interim checks with SRTCC on identified parcels.

SRTCC will review the draft Strategy before the next meeting and then use the presentation time in March 18 for this project to finalize the strategy. It will then be attached to this project in PRISM. This approach was supported by the Review Panel.

3) [Hoypus Point Armor Removal #20-1124](#)

Conversation points included the proposed extent of the armor removal, dealing with the buried utilities, rock removal by path or barge, the need to provide some ADA accessibility and what could be supported with SRFB funding. Stabilizing the path, which is currently sloughing in places due to overland runoff and seeps from the hillside, would not be fundable with SRFB funding. Proposing path stabilization is not currently part of the project.

The initial feasibility study will be completed in June, just prior to final review of SRFB projects by the Review Panel. The inconvenient timing between the ongoing feasibility phase and review of the design phase by the Review Panel is due to the overlapping new SRFB/RCO time frame. The Review Panel members realize this are trying to be patient and understanding.

4) [Polnell Point Road Armor Removal Feasibility & Design](#)

Conversation points included the extent of the armor removal, dealing with potential cultural resources and unexploded ordinances. The Navy will take the lead on the permitting and cultural resource review requirements. The extent of what rock is feasible to remove and how much fill is present and removable, will be determined during the feasibility phase.

5) **Final Comments**

The only suggestion from the Review Panel for the general “take home” phase of the conversation was to encourage more accuracy for measurable objectives. The armor length to be removed at both sites should be more accurate in the application if possible (not just the estimate provided by Dawn when building the Habitat Work Schedule – PRISM bridge). The Review Panel understood that the shortened time frame between grant rounds was putting some pressure on sponsors and was lenient.

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Project Name	PRISM #	Contact	Sponsor	Partners	Project Type	Metrics	Grant Request	Match	Total Cost
Nearshore Protection Tool Implementation	20-1134	Ryan Elting/ Jon Decker	WCLT		Acquisition	~20 Acres	\$ 795,000	\$ 145,000	\$ 940,000
Hoypus Point Armor Removal	20-1124	Lisa Kaufman	NWSF	WA Parks	Planning	~250' (TBD)	\$ 170,488	\$ -	\$ 170,488
Polnell Point Road Armor Removal Feasibility & Design	20-1146	Lisa Kaufman	NWSF	US Navy	Planning	~875' (TBD)	\$ 149,355	\$ 26,731	\$ 176,086
Total							\$ 1,114,843	\$ 171,731	\$ 1,286,574

Draft Applications Submitted to Stillaguamish Watershed Council Lead Entity Program 2020

Project Name	Prism #	Contact	Sponsor	Partners	Project Type	Metrics	Grant Request	Match	Total Cost
Florence Island Tidal Wetland Acquisition	20-1092	Pat Stevenson	Stillaguamish Tribe		Acquisition	571 Acres	\$ 4,910,200	\$ 980,000	\$ 5,890,200
Total							\$ 4,910,200	\$ 980,000	\$ 5,890,200

6) Adjourn – 3:02

Next meetings:

- Mar 18 – Padilla Bay - Project Presentations & Open House
- Apr 15 – Coupeville Rm 131 – Pre-scoring
- May – Scoring and Ranking