

Island County  
WATER RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## Meeting Notes

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
Thursday, April 06, 2017 2:30—4:30 PM  
Oak Harbor Public Works Facility  
1400 NE 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Oak Harbor

### Call to Order and Introductions

Present:

Citizen Members: Jay Lawrence, Maddie Rose, Julius Budos, John Lovie, Tom Fox, Dave Thomas, Don Lee,

Island County Staff: Lori Clark, IC Department of Natural Resources; Nathan Howard, Island County Long Range Planner,

Guests: Karen Bishop, Whidbey Island Conservation District, Jim Patton, WIWSA

### Adoption of March WRAC Meeting Summary Notes

John Lovie made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes. Tom Fox second the motion. Motion approved.

### Report

- A letter was drafted to thank Tom Voss and Barbara Brock for their time and service on the WRAC. Don signed the letter on behalf of the WRAC. The WRAC will host a celebration for Barbara at the next Camano Island meeting. She was one of the original members of the WRAC when it was first created.
- There were three applicants for the three vacant WRAC positions. The Board of Island County Commissioners (BOICC) reviewed the applications and will be approving them soon. Hopefully the three new members will be present at the May WRAC meeting.
- **Lori Clark presented on the Island Local Integrating Organization (ILIO) 5-year Ecosystem Recovery Plan (ERP).** The presentation and ERP are available online:  
Julius Budos suggested that Island County consider MST for identifying the sources of water contamination. Dave Thomas suggested Island County look at utilizing mushrooms for surface water remediation.

**Nathan Howard presented on the current Coordinated Water Systems Plan.** The Planning Department advocated for a high level review of the CWSP to the BOICC. The BOICC is supportive of the WRAC taking the role of the review and identifying and prioritizing recommendations for future improvements to the SWAP program, to be implemented over multiple years. The WRAC will be covering the background of the CWSP at the May WRAC meeting. The plan and appendices are located on the WRAC website:

### Announcement/ Discussion

- Don suggested that the WRAC begin updating the Water Resources Management Plan. Tom pointed out that there are many overlapping sections between the Water Resources Management Plan and the CWSP. It may make sense to look at these two in parallel. Don offered to give a background on the Water Resources Management Plan

and evaluate which of the recommendations have been completed and which are still pending. Water quality and surface water topic papers may need to be added.

- John Lovie gave an update on the WIWSA meeting. The Navy is working on a long term plan to fully remediate (activated carbon) the groundwater and drinking water has been provided in the interim.

### **Public Comment**

No Public Comment

### **Meeting Closure**

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

*Next Meetings:*

*May 04, 2017 (Camano Center)*

*June 1, 2017 (Oak Harbor Public Works)*

*July 06, 2017 (Oak Harbor Public Works)*