

# **Snohomish-Stillaguamish LIO Executive Committee Meeting Summary**

*Jan. 29, 2014*

*9:30 – NOON*

*Snohomish County Campus, Drewel Building, Sixth Floor, Conference Room 6A04*

## **Attendees:**

Dave Somers, Snohomish County, Chair LIO-EC  
Terry Williams, Tulalip Tribes  
Pat Stevenson, Stillaguamish Tribe  
Allan Giffen, City of Everett  
Bill Blake, City of Arlington  
Jason Walker, Snoqualmie Watershed Forum  
Monte Marti, Snohomish Conservation District  
Ann Stanton, City of Snohomish  
Gregg Farris, Snohomish County  
Josh Kubo, Tulalip Tribes  
Perry Falcone, King County  
Heather Cole, Puget Sound Partnership  
Libby Hudson, Puget Sound Partnership  
Sean Edwards, Snohomish County  
Robert Sendrey, Sound Salmon Solutions  
Karen Stewart, LIO Coordinator

## **1. Welcome, Introductions and Public Comments**

Dave Somers welcomed everyone to the meeting, and initiated introductions that proceeded around the room. Heather Cole is our new Puget Sound Partnership ERC. She can be reached at (360) 789-3165, [Heather.Cole@PSP.wa.gov](mailto:Heather.Cole@PSP.wa.gov)

Chair Somers asked if anyone had any changes to the agenda, and suggested adding a standing agenda item to bring up any current issues. The committee agreed that this would be a good idea. Chair Somers asked if there were any public comments. No one responded with public comments so the LIO moved to the next agenda item.

## **2. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Summary**

Dave Somers asked if there were any changes to the draft Meeting Summary from October 18, 2013. There being none, a motion was made to approve the Meeting Summary. The summary was seconded and approved unanimously.

### **3. Review of Near Term Actions**

Karen Stewart, LIO Coordinator, reported about comments received from the Puget Sound Partnership on the Near Term Actions. The LIO went through each of the comments and reached consensus on revisions. The Snohomish-Stillaguamish LIO will serve as the coordinator and reporter on five of the sixteen near term actions. The performance measure dates for the Regulatory Effectiveness NTA were modified with the first action to be completed by September of 2014. (see comments/edits on the NTA handout)

### **4. Letters of Support for Projects**

The LIO Coordinator has received several requests from NTA project sponsors/owners for letters of support to submit as a component of grant applications for NEP/Commerce/DOE grants. The LIO Coordinator has prepared two letters for the LIO-EC review and approval. One letter of endorsement is for the French Creek Healthy Soils Initiative from the Snohomish Conservation District in partnership with Forterra and the Tulalip Tribes. A second letter is for continuation of the Qwuloolt Estuary Restoration Project proposed by the Tulalip Tribes. The LIO-EC heard additional information about the proposed projects from representatives at the meeting. The LIO-EC agreed to endorse both projects as implementing several of the recommended Near Term Actions. Chair Somers suggested that the letter template would be improved if the Near Term Actions were highlighted as bulleted items.

### **5. LIO Remaining Funds from Prior Grant Agreement**

There is approximately \$10,000 of grant funds remaining from the prior 2012-2013 grant agreement between the LIO/PSP. EPA is interested in reviewing proposals to utilize these funds to implement Near Term Actions. The LIO discussed recommending one of the NTAs to get an early start with these funds. The NTA under the Strategic Planning and Coordination that addresses Fisheries/Watershed Ecology Education for Officials and Decision-Makers became the focus of the discussion. Sound Salmon Solutions is the owner of this NTA. The LIO wanted the \$10,000 to be used to launch the preparation of the curriculum for this project.

### **6. Next Steps**

Staff will make the agreed to revisions to the Near Term Actions spreadsheet that the LIO-EC reached consensus on. The next step will be for the Puget Sound Partnership to assemble the Executive Committee's recommended Near Term Actions for the 2014, as well as those from other LIOs and update the Action Agenda. The Partnership plans to hold several public meetings during the April public comment period. Comments on the Snohomish-Stillaguamish Local Profile will be forwarded to the LIO for review and response.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.