Topic: Improve LIO and Snohomish LE collaboration

Background: LE/LIO integration has been an ongoing topic of conversation. At our June meeting, PDC members agreed that the LE and LIO should explore opportunities to improve coordination and collaboration; 2018 NTA development and submission process was identified as a good place to start. To that end, LE and LIO staff have developed the following draft criteria for salmon recovery-related NTAs and created a shared timeline for review of those NTAs.

Criteria for Salmon Projects as NTAs:

- Capital salmon recovery projects must participate in a local LE review process before the Snohomish-Stillaguamish LIO will recommend it for inclusion and funding as an NTA in the Action Agenda.

- Salmon recovery-related projects must be on Snohomish or Stillaguamish Basins’ 4-year workplan and be supported by the Snohomish Basin Salmon Recovery Plan and/or Stillaguamish Chinook Recovery Plan and officially adopted supporting documents.
  - Example categories that could be considered as NTAs include (but are not limited too)
    - Stewardship
    - Monitoring
    - Ecosystem assessments
    - Outreach/education

- NTA proposals will be reviewed by Snohomish and Stillaguamish LE staff and partners to identify alignment and/or conflicts with salmon recovery strategies.

Draft timeline:

- Draft RFP review – Due 7/27
  - Supported by LE staff
- LIO providing “local customization” to regional priorities, i.e. identifying LIO recovery strategies that align with regional priorities - Draft due 7/31, Final due 8/15
  - Supported by LE staff
- Leadership Council adopts final solicitation - 9/6/17
- NTA solicitation released - 9/28/17
  - Note, will include LIO process/customization
- LIO holds NTA solicitation workshop – mid October (possibly Oct. 19th)
- NTA ideas (like a pre-proposal) due 11/1/17
- Ad hoc Snohomish Forum committee review NTA ideas, support salmon recovery NTA development, raise any concerns - November-December
- NTA full proposals (aka “fact sheets”) due 1/10/18
  - LIOs can required draft NTA fact sheets before this date
- Ad hoc Snohomish Forum committee review NTA full proposals, make recommendations to Forum – January 2018
- Snohomish Forum briefed on NTAs and make decision to support suite of recommended NTAs - February 1, 2018
- Technical, LIO, and Tribal review - 1/22/18-2/16/18
- By February 16, 2018, LIO review NTAs for consistency and recommend which NTAs should or shouldn’t move forward in 2018 AA
Key pieces of the LIO Ecosystem Recovery Plan

LIO Priority Components and Vital Signs

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