

Technical Advisory Group Agenda
January 17, 2023 | 9:30 - 11:00

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Meeting Purpose:

- Discuss salmon recovery priorities
- Discuss standing and emerging topics

Time	Topic	Lead
9:30	<p>Welcome, introductions, and housekeeping</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introductions and quick update from each person - Review agenda and meeting purpose - Review & approve draft meeting summary - Opportunity for public comment 	Sarah Heerhartz
9:40	<p>Salmon recovery priorities</p> <p>Discussion Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are there funding updates for projects on the 2022 list of cleared projects (outside of SRFB/PSAR)? <p>Update and opportunity for discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shared Strategy for Puget Sound E. Kitsap Chapter (2005) needs updating - Ecosystem Recovery Plan progress - Salmon Recovery Council report-out 	Steve Todd Brittany Gordon
10:10	<p>Standing and emerging topics</p> <p>Discussion Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letters of support (requested or needed) - Current grant opportunities, RFPs - Cost increases, emergency funding, and return funds - Habitat projects subject to flooding/sea level rise/climate change impacts (PNP, Rose Point, others) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Immediate response as we plan for restoration of coastal areas o Leveraging funds coming from Federal Government o PPFL and 4-year Workplan projects subject to these risks 	Sarah Heerhartz
10:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wrap-up and adjourn - Action Items, Decisions 	Steve Todd Brittany Gordon

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2022 WSPER Grant Round

Rank	Project Name	PRISM #	Project Category	Sponsor	Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match	Funding Request	Award
1	Crabapple/Carpenter Creek Estuary Protection	22-1131	Acquisition	GPC	\$1,534,120	\$1,042,200	\$ 491,920	\$491,920
2	Finn Creek Estuary Restoration Design	22-1098	Planning - Design	WFC	\$1,220,598	\$ 0	\$ 188,000	\$188,000
3	Rose Point Embayment Restoration	22-1100	Restoration	MSFEG	\$1,070,598	\$ 161,001	\$ 909,598	\$909,598
4	Salmonberry Creek Protection	22-1110	Acquisition	GPC	\$808,100	\$ 320,000	\$ 488,100	\$ 45,367.00
5	Fletcher Bay Road Fish Passage Restoration	22-1121	Planning - Design (final)	MSFEG, City of BI	\$134,300	\$23,700	\$ 158,000	
6	Barnabee Final Design and Stream Restoration Project	22-1319	Planning - Design (final)	BILT	\$375,109	\$ 175,109	\$ 200,000	
7	McNeil Island Estuary Restoration - Bodley Creek & Floyds Cove	22-1345	Planning & Restoration	WDFW	\$1,136,75	\$ 634,000	\$ 502,750	#6 on the 2023-25 ESRP investment plan
8	Skunk Bay Armor Removal	22-1120	Restoration	MSFEG	\$50,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 35,000	#12 ESRP; still needs match
9	Washington Conservation Corps Crew for Riparian Restoration	22-1111	Restoration	KCD	\$284,756	\$ 42,756	\$ 242,000	
10	Henderson Bay Armor Removal Design	22-1126	Planning (preliminary)	PCD	\$118,270	\$ 0	\$ 118,270	
11	Long Lake Predation Assessment	22-1112	Planning (assessment)	MSFEG	\$88,500	\$ 13,500	\$ 75,000	
					\$5,523,351	\$ 2,427,265	\$ 3,408,638	\$1,634,882

SRFB/PSAR Funded
Competitive in another grant program (likelihood of funding is high)
Funded by another source
Not eligible for 2023 SRFB since it is an assessment



Technical Advisory Group
DRAFT Meeting Summary
 November 15, 2022 | 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 Zoom Meeting

- Meeting Objectives:** (1) for the Technical Advisory Group to:
- (1) decide upon method for developing a 2023 prioritized list (anticipated SRFB \$295,932 Sept 2023),
 - (2) nominate/confirm 2023 TAG Chair and Salmon Recovery Council officers,
 - (3) discuss 2023 proposed meeting schedule,
 - (4) discuss emerging and standing topics, and
 - (5) learn about new Salmon Recovery Portal features.

Action Items

Action Item	Responsible
Connect with Kay Caromile about the status and plan for the KGI Fish Passage and Flood Resilience Inventory.	Renee Johnson
Work with Sean Goldsmith on representing the WSPER group as a partner for Pierce’s application for a key culvert removal project on Purdy Creek at 144 th Street.	Renee Johnson and Sarah Heerhartz
Reach out to Doris Small about the McNeil Island Estuary Restoration project status.	WSPER Coordination Team
Send Jeanette Dorner any ideas about possible funding opportunities for the conservation easement for Key Peninsula site.	TAG members
Vote by email on Minter Creek decision.	TAG Members
Confirm with Zack Holt about his comment on the Long Lake Predation study and edit July 26, 2022, TAG meeting summary as needed.	WSPER Coordination Team

Decisions by TAG

Approve July 26, 2022, TAG meeting notes with any necessary edits to Long Lake Predation section.
Decide upon method for developing a 2023 prioritized list (anticipated SRFB \$295,932 Sept. 2023)
Confirm the 2023 TAG Chair and Co-Chair and Salmon Recovery Council officers.

Welcome and Announcements

Sarah Heerhartz, Mid Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group (MSFEG) and TAG Chair, welcomed the group, led a roll call, and invited TAG members to share recent successes in a roundtable update. Some highlights are listed below.

- William Neff was introduced as the new Watershed Restoration Project Coordinator at Bainbridge Island Land Trust. William can be contacted at:
 - William@bi-landtrust.org | (206) 842-1216 (office)
- Brian Combs has taken the place of Cole Baldino as a representative at WSPER from the South Puget Sound Salmon Enhancement Group.
- Multiple WSPER members celebrated project successes, including the closing of property acquisitions, delivery of community outreach and education, progress on stream and water typing efforts, and predictions for higher salmon runs than expected.
- Several WSPER members celebrated that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) denied a renewed lease for Cooke Aquaculture to continue operations in Puget Sound.
- The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is hiring for biologist positions.

Sarah then gave an overview of the meeting agenda and objectives.

The TAG reviewed the July 26, 2022, TAG meeting notes. Steve Todd requested a point of clarification on Zack Holt's comment on the Long Lake Predation Assessment. The Coordination Team will reach out to Zack Holt for clarification. A motion was made to approve the July 26 meeting notes including any relevant revisions. The motion was seconded. Several TAG members voted in approval and no objections or abstentions were made. The motion carried.

Opportunity for public comment: No public comments were presented.

2023 Nomination and Confirmation of Officers

Renee Johnson reviewed the WSPER 2023 TAG Chair nominee and Salmon Recovery Council representatives.

A motion was made to approve nominee Sarah Heerhartz as TAG Chair and nominee Steve Todd as Co-Chair for 2023. The motion was seconded and moved to a vote. Multiple TAG members voted in favor and no objections or abstentions were stated. The motion carried.

Renee proposed Tom Ostrom and Brittany Gordon as WSPER's Salmon Recovery Council representatives for 2023. She asked the group to affirm these representatives for recommendation to the Executive Committee. Multiple TAG members expressed approval. No objections or abstentions were stated.

2023 Salmon Recovery Priorities

Sarah Heerhartz led a discussion of whether the TAG recommends going through a full grant round in 2023 or working with the list developed in the 2022 grant round, noting that the past year was a massive effort to clear so many projects that still need funding. In 2023 only SRFB money is available (around \$300k). Project sponsors gave updates on some of the projects on the 2022 list. Renee Johnson and Sarah Heerhartz offered to follow up on the status of the McNeil Island Estuary Restoration project and to find out whether the KGI Fish Passage and Flood Resilience Inventory, which did not make the

2022 list, would be eligible for the 2023 grant round (since it is an assessment, which would usually be proposed in a PSAR year).

Jeanette Dorner, Nisqually Land Trust, shared that the Land Trust had a funding source complication for their project on the south end of Key Peninsula. Jeanette noted that she is pursuing every possibility of additional funding to fill the gap but may approach WSPER for support if there is still a need at the end of the year. This nearshore project site is within the WSPER Lead Entity area.

The TAG discussed the WSPER meeting schedule for 2023 and the deadlines for the next grant round. Renee shared a draft proposed calendar for 2023. Several TAG members expressed support for moving forward with the 2022 grant round project list to relieve project sponsors of the effort of writing proposals. It was suggested that WSPER could revisit its four-year work plan to ensure that new projects have a chance to be added.

A motion was made to fund down the existing 2022 grant round project list and refrain from full participation in the 2023 grant round. The motion was seconded. Multiple TAG members voted in favor and no objections or abstentions were stated. The motion carried.

Renee asked if any TAG members preferred a change to the TAG meeting schedule of every other month for 90-minute meetings. No requested changes were made.

Decision: Approve moving forward with the 2022 SR grant round project list.

Standing and Emerging Topics

Tom Ostrom gave an update on the Salmon Recovery Council meeting. [Click here to see the meeting materials](#). Highlights included a decision by the Council to waive the deadline for obligating PSAR funds, a presentation about developing a 10-year strategic plan for PSAR, a presentation on the Emergency projects policy, a report out from the Legislative Subcommittee, a presentation on the Puget Sound Partnership's Alternative Future Scenarios project, and a presentation from the Washington Academy of Sciences [Net Ecological Gain report](#).

Sean Goldsmith, Pierce County, shared that Pierce County is developing an application for a feasibility study for a culvert replacement project on Purdy Creek at 144th Street. The County is seeking support from WSPER as a partner on its application and provide contact information to the review panel. TAG members expressed support for Sarah Heerhartz and Renee Johnson working with Sean to determine the best way to represent WSPER members as partners on Pierce County's application.

Brittany Gordon shared that Kitsap County is still moving forward with National Estuary Program (NEP) grant applications for Kitsap Natural Resource Asset Management Program with a task for Stream Mapping / Water Typing and for a Derelict Vessel Removal program. There has been tremendous support from partners for both projects.

Salmon Recovery Portal Presentation (RCO)

Chantell Krider and Jessica Fish, Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO), presented on changes and new features to the Salmon Recovery Portal (SRP) and how it aligns with PRISM. [Click here to watch a recording of the presentation](#) (passcode: QR!2XA2!). The presentation included the following topics.

- History of Salmon Recovery Portal and acquisition of Habitat Work Schedule program
- Uses of the SRP
- Efforts to automate and improve the SRP and its integration with PRISM
- Coming soon: Goals and metric rollup, metric alignment, adding PRISM worksites and properties, monitoring module, other goals in recovery plans targets

Jessica Fish provided a demonstration and overview of the SRP dashboard and navigation.

Wrap Up and Next Steps

Sarah Heerhartz thanked everyone for participating and closed the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Attendees:

Alexia Henderson, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Brenda Padgham, Bainbridge Island Land Trust

Brian Combs, South Puget Sound Salmon Enhancement Group

Brittany Gordon, Kitsap County

Carin Anderson, Kitsap Conservation District

Chantell Krider, Recreation and Conservation Office

Deb Rudnick, Bainbridge Island Watershed Council

Erik Steffens, Great Peninsula Conservancy

Jamie Glasgow, Wild Fish Conservancy

Jeanette Dorner, Nisqually Land Trust

Jessica Fish, Recreation and Conservation Office

Julie Steigerwaldt, Great Peninsula Conservancy

Kathy Peters, Kitsap County

Marty Ereth, Pierce County

Renee Johnson, Kitsap County / WSPER Coordinator

Sarah Heerhartz, Mid Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group

Sarah Wilson, City of Bainbridge Island

Sean Goldsmith, Pierce County

Scott Steltzner, Squaxin Island Tribe

Steve Todd, Suquamish Tribe

Tom Ostrom, Suquamish Tribe

William Neff, Bainbridge Island Land Trust

Annalise Ritter, Triangle Associates