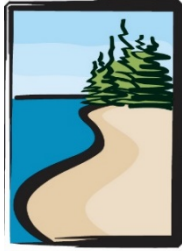


2019 Salmon Recovery Funding for West Sound Watersheds



The West Sound Watersheds Council (WSWC) is requesting proposals for salmon habitat restoration and protection projects. The WSWC is the lead entity for salmon recovery and coordinates the solicitation and ranking of projects in West Sound watersheds.

Approximately \$266,00 in grant funding is available for salmon habitat restoration and protection projects. Projects that align with salmon recovery strategies in West Sound will be prioritized. Projects will be ranked and submitted to the state Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) for funding consideration at their December meeting. See

[Habitat Work Schedule](#) for previously identified watersheds and projects.

Eligible project applicants include local governments, conservation districts, tribes, non-profit organizations, special purpose districts, Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups, private landowners, and state agencies (with a local partner).

Interested project sponsors must submit a Letter of Intent to the WSWC Lead Entity Coordinator by **March 1, 2019**. See *Letter of Intent Template*. The WSWC Technical Advisory Group will review and screen all Letters of Intent to determine if project aligns with salmon recovery priorities and can be submitted in West Sound Watersheds lead entity for funding in 2019. Project sponsors will be notified by March 15, 2019 if they are to be included in the 2019 West Sound Watersheds lead entity grant process. Site visits will be required and are tentatively scheduled for late May to early June.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact Kirvie Mesebeluu-Yobech, Lead Entity Coordinator, to get more information about West Sound salmon recovery strategies, watershed recovery plans, and the application process. Call (360) 337-7014 or email kyobech@co.kitsap.wa.us. For information about Salmon Recovery Grants see [RCO Manual 18](#).

2019 Salmon Recovery Funding for West Sound Watersheds

Meeting Schedule and **Lead Entity Grant Process**

Date	Description
January 15	WSWC meeting
February 1	Announcement for 2019 Salmon Recovery Funding in West Sound released
February 19	WSWC / West Central LIO Working Group meeting
March 1	Letters of Intent DUE
March 12	WSWC TAG meeting: Review Letters of Intent
March 15	Sponsors notified if selected to submit project application
April-no meeting	April 8-9: Salmon Recovery Conference April 8-11: American Fisheries Society Meeting Washington-British Columbia Chapter
May 14	WSWC TAG / West Central LIO Working Group meeting
Late May to early June	Site visits with SRFB review panel and TAG members; application materials DUE in PRISM three (3) weeks prior to site visits
June 18	WSWC meeting
July 23	WSWC TAG meeting
August 8	Project application DUE in PRISM
August 13	WSWC / West Central LIO Working Group meeting: Approve draft habitat project list
September 17	WSWC TAG meeting
October 10	Project sponsor response to comment forms DUE
October 15	WSWC / West Central LIO Working Group meeting: Approve final habitat project list
November 12	WSWC TAG meeting
December 10	WSWC meeting

Acronyms: WSWC – West Sound Watersheds Council, TAG – Technical Advisory Group, LIO – Local Integrating Organization, SRFB – Salmon Recovery Funding Board