



*Citizen Advisory Group Meeting
March 22, 2017
Commission Chambers
Meeting Summary*

Attendees	Organization	Attendees	Organization
<i>Jim Aho</i>	<i>Illehee</i>	<i>Teresa Smith</i>	<i>City of Bremerton</i>
<i>Amber Moore</i>	<i>PSP</i>	<i>Marian Berejikian</i>	<i>WSWC</i>
<i>Jo Meints</i>	<i>KCPW - Roads</i>	<i>Erika Harris</i>	<i>PSRC</i>
<i>Barbara Ann Smolko</i>	<i>Pierce County</i>	<i>Allison Cook</i>	<i>WDFW</i>
<i>David Nash</i>	<i>Kitsap County</i>	<i>Jeanette Dorner</i>	<i>Mid Sound FEG</i>
<i>Renee Scherdick</i>	<i>KC Public Works</i>	<i>Lorisa Watkins</i>	<i>Mountaineer's Foundation</i>

- 1. Introduction, agenda review, and meeting approval** – The January 2017 meeting summary was approved.
- 2. 2017 Grant Round and CAG project ranking** – Marian reported that 12 projects (\$1.5 M) were competing for around \$200,000. Site visits were to be on April 12 and 13. Any CAG member is welcome to attend site visits.

Marian discussed the CAG ranking on February 15 with members. One person filled out the forms and turned into the sponsors. Members reported that they had to hold their ground to get TAG members to allow the CAG to rank and then only one turned in the form. Discussion followed that forms were not turned in because they did not want to hurt project by negative comments. It was also felt that the CAG and TAG comments did not balance. The forms were not mandatory so if no one had comments, they did not feel that needed to turn them in. Members did not like the tie breaker element.

- 3. Clear Creek Presentation** – Renee Scherdick presented Kitsap County’s Clear Creek restoration project. The project was undertaken for three reasons: Flooding, Improving habitat, and enhancing trail connections. With the multi benefits, multiple funding sources were used for this \$3.5 M project. Metrics = 6.5 acres of floodplain were restored, 3,758 feet of stream, 21 acres of invasive species were removed (Reed canary grass is mostly on the West Fork), 2 culverts were removed and 675 pieces of Large Woody Debris were placed. The design was done with beavers in mind. The presentation can be found at xxxxxxx.
- 4. Open Space Regional Plan** – Erika Harris with the Puget Sound Regional Council, and working under a US Forest Communities grant, is building off Vision 2040. Her agency is reaching out to many jurisdictions, organizations, agencies, and groups to identify priority areas. Erika is working with Local Integrating Organization’s leadership as well. There is a training on March 30 and 31, Erika will send out invitation for Marian to forward. The draft regional plan should be out in a year and a half.
- 5. Round Table Sharing**
 - Illehee Preserve** - Jim reported that his group is still working on a SEPA appeal after nine years. A wetland complex was discovered his group is trying to protect. The hearing is June 22.

- **City of Bremerton** – The Evergreen Design was presented to the TAG last week. The Sinclair Inlet Clean Up will be on April 29.
- **WDFW** - Allison explained that the WDFW is working with the Shore Friendly program to host a workshop for contractors on bulkhead removal. The workshop will be on April 19 in Bremerton. She is looking for before and after photos of bulkhead removals.
- **Kitsap County, Roads** – Jo Meints reported that Bucklin Hills Road is now open and there is a video online at <http://www.bucklinhill.com>. The Carpenter Creek bridge replacement will begin on April 17, 2017.
- **Kitsap County Public Works** - Renee reported the Salmon in the Classroom program is looking for assistants. The Water Festival will be on April 17 and it is an all-day event at the Kitsap County Fairgrounds, which teaches water quality issues to 4th grade students.
- **Puget Sound Partnership** - Amber reported discussions were happening to align the Lead Entity and Local Integration Organization. Concerns have been expressed that the focus on salmon might be diluted. Comments – Barbara Ann asked if the LIO and LE boundaries would be changed to match. Jeanette replied that the boundaries could be changed at the LE level not the SRFB. The Puget Sound Partnership will host a Day on the Hill May 13 in Washington DC.
- **Mid Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group** - Jeanette Dorner reported the Cowling Creek hydrological model is being completed now. The group was given a FFFPP project for a creek that runs under the Mattress Ranch into Sinclair Inlet. There is a culvert upstream on private land that is failing. The WA state capital budget will be out next week. The Senate budget does not include an operating budget for Regional Enhancement Fisheries Groups. One million dollars was to be split 14 ways between the REFGs.
- **Mountaineers Foundation** – The design is started on their Chico Creek restoration project. The Foundation has an Earth day event (two different dates) for 120 students.
- **Pierce County** – The KGI Watershed group is done with its work plan is in the process of tracking canopy cover for watershed health. An Arbor Day festival will be on April 29. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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6. **Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at around 10:30 a.m.