



WEST SOUND  
WATERSHEDS COUNCIL  
Agenda

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West Sound Watersheds Council (WSWC)  
April 16, 2014 9:00 AM - 11:30 PM  
Commissioner's Chambers, Kitsap County Admin Building  
Port Orchard

- Introductions, review agenda
- Puget Sound Partnership updates - Tristan
  - PSAR Large Cap process approved - Recap
  - Monitoring and Adaptive Management Education Outreach Chain
  - Action Agenda public comment
- 2014 Grant Round - Kathy
  - Project updates
- Invasive Species Workshop Recap
- Round the table announcements and information sharing

Future Meeting Dates:

May 21 – Suquamish Fisheries?

June 18

July 16

August 13

September 17

October 15

November 19



## *West Sound Watersheds Council Meeting*

*April 16, 2014*

*Kitsap County Commissioners Chambers*

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### **Attendees:**

Kathy Peters  
Jeff Adams  
Carin Anderson  
Joleen Palmer  
Troy Fields  
Danielle DeVoe  
Erin Ewald  
Barbara Ann Smolko

Paul Dorn  
Tom Ostrom  
Chris Waldbillig  
Tristan Peter-Contesse  
Holly Roberts  
Teresa Sjostrom  
Jim Aho  
Dave Nash

### **Introductions:**

All attending members introduced themselves.

### **Review Agenda:**

A brief discussion on PSP's "Project Atlas" was added.

### **PSAR Large Capital Projects Update:**

Tristan gave an overview of the "large capital project" process. The PSP would like a vetted list of shovel ready projects to present to the legislature when requesting funding for the 2015-2017 biennium. Projects need to be ready to go, but not able to be funded with the watersheds' typical funding round. Each lead entity can submit up to three projects each. The RFP for large capital projects was approved and distributed by the Partnership late last month.

The RFP can be found on WSWC's website at:

[http://westsoundwatersheds.org/images/content/2014\\_PSAR%20Large%20Capital%20Projects%20Final%20RFP%202015-2017.docx](http://westsoundwatersheds.org/images/content/2014_PSAR%20Large%20Capital%20Projects%20Final%20RFP%202015-2017.docx)

### **Monitor & Adaptive Management:**

Tristan gave an update on the M&AM efforts by the PSP. He presented the generic "education and outreach" results chain and asked for specific feedback from members of the WSWC group regarding education and outreach programs already being deployed. Erin & Joleen both gave good examples, and Tristan will follow up with them via email after the meeting.

There was discussion around the results chains and the purpose of them. Tristan indicated that the exercise of completing the chains exposes gaps in knowledge as well as gaps in strategies. The other benefit is that all watersheds in Puget Sound are working through the same exercise, using the same software. This allows for information sharing as well as being able to share strategies and results chains from other watersheds.

Kathy will follow up at the next WSWC meeting regarding the outcome of a meeting with San Juan and Island LE's for nearshore M&AM.

### **2014 Action Agenda:**

The 2014 Action Agenda has been finalized and is out for public comment. The biggest change from 2014 is the number of local NTA's that are included. This number represents about half of all the NTA's on the

Action Agenda. The Action Agenda can be found on PSP's website at [http://psp.wa.gov/2014\\_action\\_agenda\\_update.php](http://psp.wa.gov/2014_action_agenda_update.php). Public comment is being solicited via 2 public meetings (April 15 & 16, 2014) and online until April 30, 2014 at midnight. To comment, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/D3ZQFT9>.

#### **"Project Atlas":**

"Project Atlas" is a GIS mapping tool provided by the Partnership that spatially demonstrates RCO funded and tracked projects within the region. A larger discussion regarding the similarities and differences between HWS and these types of mapping tools followed. Ultimately HWS is the tool the State recognizes to track salmon recovery. Holly is participating in a HWS Action Committee, a sub committee of the Washington Salmon Coalition, which is having its first meeting later this month to discuss best including, what projects merit inclusion in HWS.

#### **2014 SRFB Grant Round:**

Kathy gave a brief overview of the projects that the LE has received Notices of Intent on. Most are NTA's and have project sponsors.

The left over PSAR funds have been applied for by Kitsap County DCD to complete a nearshore integration and synthesis to prioritize projects. Kathy offered to share the project proposal with anyone who was interested.

#### **Invasive Species Workshop Recap:**

The workshop was well attended, and very informative. Presentations were given by Kathy Peters, Jeff Adams and Tom Flagg. Tom gave a great tour of the Manchester Station that highlighted all of the work NOAA Fisheries does right here in our LE.

#### **Next Meeting Location:**

The next is May 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting location will be determined and posted to the WSWC website as well as distributed with the call for agenda items on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Information Sharing**

Kathy passed out the proposed changes to the Salmon Recovery Grant Program and encouraged everyone to read it and send comments in to RCO.

Tom gave a brief update on the Tribe's projects. The Milwaukee Dock project has some administrative work being done, but they are hoping to get that resolved and proceed with work as scheduled.

Keta (Chico) Park is moving along. The consultant is hired and ready to go.

They have advertised for bids on Kitty Hawk and will open those at the end of the month.

Jim Aho reports that the Illahee preserve applied for a Coastal Fund Grant for the acquisition of property within the preserve. They are also applying for additional RCO funds to complete the purchase of the "Heart of the Park" property.

Chris discussed the Future-wise / Salish Sea Shoreline Armoring discussions that have been ongoing. They are working to establish potential incentives for not armoring or removing armoring on shorelines. This is a collaborative effort across agencies. There was also mention of the possibility of technical assistance for property owner's etc. regarding property specific shoreline armoring, or armoring alternatives. Where and how this this guidance would be funded and housed are still topics of discussion. WDFW is also working with Kitsap County on the permits for the Bucklin Hill Bridge project. There was discussion regarding whether or not dioxin monitoring would be done. Chris indicated that it would not be required as part of the permitting process.

Paul gave an update on Doe-Kag-Wats. The consultant is working on the proposal and the workshop will be convened soon.

Carin reports that the final report from Ecology on Liberty Bay is done. They have to FFFPP grants that have just recently gone under contract, so those projects will be moving forward this year. The

Conservation District is looking to fill a Resource Technician position, anyone interested should contact Carin.

Erin reported on a GIS based project she is working on. They are feeding data into a database that will allow watersheds to share information. She reported that they are installing monitoring at Filucy Bay to track what affects exclusion is having. As the buffers grow and develop, they hope to answer what changes have taken place in water quality. She is also working on permitting for a stormwater project at Penrose.

Teresa reported that the City of Bremerton is working on yard chemical outreach and education as well as stormwater outreach.

Renee reports that Kitsap SSWM has received a grant for the Chico/Dickerson floodplain restoration project. They are still in need for more funds, so they will also be applying for the floodplain by design grants as well. The Clear Creek floodplain project just received a \$2mm grant and that project is moving forward.

Mark reports that the Salmon in the Classroom series has just finished and they are now working on their Earth Day project at the Markwick property.

Troy reports that Mid-Sound Fisheries is wrapping up the last two projects it has in East Kitsap. Salmonberry Creek is in its last year of its 10 year monitoring and the Gorst Creek project is almost done as well.

Danielle reports that Ecology is working with the Kitsap County Health District and Kitsap County SSWM on grants it has in the works with each Department as well as working with the Conservation District on low impact development projects.

Meeting adjourned.