



**Pend Oreille Voluntary Stewardship Program
Work Group Meeting Minutes: 6-18-2020**

Meeting Start – 10:00 AM

In attendance via Go To Meeting: David Marcell, Lisa Alkire, Alex Case Cohen, Sharon Sorby, Karen Skoog, Greg Snow, Doug Jared, Levi Keesecker, Andy Huddleston, Renee Kinnick, Michelle Mausen

| Official Action Items | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|-----|------|---------------|
| Motion | Motion made by: | Motioned seconded by: | Decision | Who | What | By what date: |
| A spring development on WRIA 62 is proposed in addition. Total cost \$2,570.43 additional funds. | Sharon Sorby | Andy Huddleston | Approve | NA | NA | NA |

Public Comments: No comment received.

1. Outreach Deliverable Updates

- 1788 people have been reached out of our 288 goal. We have fulfilled our outreach goal by 600%.
- Reviewed farm tour page and outreach effectiveness. A display has been created for the Farm Tour for outreach events such as Rodeos, County Fairs, Farmers Market.

2. Technical Assistance Deliverables Update

- 95% goal for active projects
- 1 project slot open
- 9 different cost share projects were approved last meeting. We reviewed the progress thus far on some of these projects.
- VSP BMP (Best Management Practice)- CPPE (Conservation Practices Physical Effects). Reviewed scores on this matrix on our projects this far. The best management practices that have been recommended show an average of +1 (on a scale of -4 to +4), a great result on improving critical areas.

3. Work Plan Review: Monitoring & Adaptive Management

- Reviewed Critical Area Functions and Monitoring Indicators as found in our work plan (Table 5-8).
 - Alex has been working towards fulfilling the info as indicated in this table in order to fulfill our 5-year plan as it approaches in August or February as rumored.
- If VSP Technical Panel deems our current monitoring program to lack robustness, may focus staff time towards monitoring under adaptive management
- Hydrology discharge and gage height on the little Spokane river – the systems we have as of now are negligible to record this to standard.
- Water quality at Boundary dam show steady maintaining in quality. Little Spokane river quality has improved since 2013. Overall, no significant changes in water quality at 2 monitoring sites.
- Monitoring and data analysis moving forward : there are 15-20 creeks or watersheds affecting the Cusick area; focusing our data analysis and potential future monitoring efforts in this region.

4. Program Administration

- David Marcell has accepted another job in Conservation. Congrats David! His last day will be tomorrow June 19th. He will be able to work remotely on our VSP project for 6 months.
- We will continue hosting quarterly reports and sending out monthly reports on VSP.

5. Administration

Next Steps Business

Meeting Adjourned – 10:58 AM

POCD Board Supervisor

Date

David Marcell, District Manager

Date