# RDA Committee Meeting

Wednesday, December 9, 2020  
**WebEx**

Call to Order: 9:04

Attendees: Geoff Baran (Ecology), Shayne Cothern (DNR), Don Noviello (WDFW), Rob Whitlam (DAHP), Mark Toy (DOH), Jessica Logan (PARKS), Natalie Swan (Yakama Nation), Tami Neilson (Ecology)

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve meeting minutes for the November 12, 2020. Motion passed.

Adjournment: 9:41

## Minutes

### New Business

#### Preassessment Screenings

##### ERTS# 699817 World Fuel Services

* Geoff summarized the incident:  
  On August 4, 2020, staff from World Fuel Services were transferring diesel fuel into a large fuel container for oversea delivery. Due to a miscommunication with the fuel delivery company, diesel fuel was transferred to full tank, causing diesel to overflow from the container into an onsite storm water system, and subsequently into the Duwamish River. The tide was out at the time of the spill, so fuel spilled to the exposed intertidal zone. An estimated 40 gallons of diesel fuel spilled to the river, and US-Ecology/NRC-ES recovered an estimated 38 gallons of diesel fuel.
* Preassessment Screening:
  + Are the damages quantifiable at a reasonable cost? 6 no.
  + Is restoration or enhancement technically feasible? 6 no.
  + Compensation schedule authorized to calculate damages.

##### ERTS# 700073 Barber Boats

* Geoff summarized the incident:  
  On Sunday, August 16, 2020, Ecology was notified that the PC Elusive Dream (a former fishing vessel) rolled over on a low tide and pushed down the smaller PC Shilo, sinking it. On the night of the sinking, the owner deployed boom around the vessels. The owner of the vessels attempted unsuccessfully to right and refloat the vessels while sheening continued, but on August 20, 2020, Ecology hired US Ecology / National Response Corporation Environmental Services (USE/NRCES) and Crux Diving & Salvage (Crux) to remediate the spilled oil and prevent additional oil from leaking from the vessels. On August 30, 2020, Elusive Dream was reported upright and floating. However, efforts to refloat the Shilo were unsuccessful as the owner did not have the money to continue paying for the salvage. The vessel remains sunken alongside the Elusive Dream. An as-yet-to-be-determined volume of oil spilled to the Steamboat Slough.
* Preassessment Screening:
  + Are the damages quantifiable at a reasonable cost? 6 no.
  + Is restoration or enhancement technically feasible? 6 no.
  + Compensation schedule authorized to calculate damages.

##### ERTS# 701280 Nuevo Leon Trucking

* Geoff summarized the incident:  
  On Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at about 13:20, a semi-truck tanker owned by Nuevo Leon Trucking LLC and containing 63,000 pounds of potatoes left the road and rolled over in a wetland coming to rest on its right (passenger) side. In addition to spilling its load of potatoes, the truck’s fuel tank was breached releasing approximately 25 gallons of its diesel fuel to the wetland. An estimated 5 gallons of lubricating oil from the truck’s engine were also released to the wetland.
* Preassessment Screening:
  + Are the damages quantifiable at a reasonable cost? 6 no.
  + Is restoration or enhancement technically feasible? 6 no.
  + Compensation schedule authorized to calculate damages.

### Old Business

None

### Announcements

* Geoff shared the proposed timeline for the 2021 Spills Program Coastal Protection Fund Grant. This new funding opportunity has been modelled after the Terry Husseman Account Grant, so the application should be familiar to previous applicants for that grant. Like the THA, this will grant will fund environmental restoration/enhancement projects, however this grant will focus on restoring harm caused by oil spills.  
  The proposed application period is January 27 through February 18, 2021. A broader announcement will be made in the coming weeks.