



Executive Committee concurred (1-13-2022) with Projects Committee recommendation (1-13-2022) that staff work with OCB, RCO, and project sponsors to implement funding adjustments described below.

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TO: Projects Committee Members
FROM: Scott Boettcher, Staff
SUBJECT: Pressing Local Project Funding Needs

We will discuss the following at today's Projects Committee meeting (1-13-2022, 10:15 a.m.). Please feel free to contact me with questions (360/480-6600, scottb@sbgh-partners.com).

A. Pressing Local Project Funding Needs

In recent weeks three projects in particular have come to my attention as needing immediate funding assistance.

1. **Cloquallam Creek Erosion Management Pilot Project** – This was a successful emergency project funded by the Flood Authority (11-2021) to address significant erosion risk to a home and drain field (see [here](#)). An additional **\$5,076** is needed for Grays Harbor Conservation District to meet their 5-year WDFW permit.
2. **Lower Satsop Right Bank Conservation Construction** – This is a substantial construction project currently underway to protect farmland and associated structures and infrastructure threatened by rapidly eroding riverbanks. An additional **\$250,000** is needed for Grays Harbor Conservation District to meet current budget shortfalls and new project needs.

Note: This project has required constant adaptive management attention from first day of construction.

- Two acres lost to erosion from mid-October through December of 2021 (see [here](#)).
- Before log jack spur construction could begin, locations 1 and 2 were lost to erosion (see [here](#)).
- Construction plans and site layout plans have been modified weekly since construction began.
- January flood event necessitated salvage of flood distributed material (up to a mile away), clean-up, post-event assessment, and additional permitting.
- Significant property loss has occurred over time (see [here](#)).

3. **Hoquiam RV Park** – This is an emerging project and an opportunity to proactively address a local, multi-objective flooding need for RV Park, West Levee, eroding banks, recreation, derelict in-water structures, habitat, and fish (see [here](#)). **\$19,317** in unspent Hoquiam and Aberdeen pump station funds could be used.

B. Recommendation

1. Based on current spending, unspent and surplus funds, and borrowing \$89,257 from Port of Chehalis Berwick Creek Project, staff recommends moving forward to fund the immediate funding assistance detailed above.
2. See Attachment A for spending and funding detail (see [here](#)).