Draft Meeting Summary Snohomish (WRIA 7) WREC Technical Workgroup March 2019 Meeting

Meeting Information:

Monday, March 18, 1pm-2pm; WebEx Call

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	Topic	Time	Action	Handouts	Lead
1.	Welcome, Introductions, and	5 minutes	None	- Agenda	Facilitator,
	Agenda Overview				All
3.	Workgroup Formation	10 minutes	Discussion	-	
3.	Job Proposal for Technical	20 minutes	Overview and	- Job Proposal:	Facilitator,
	Support		Discussion	Technical Support	All
				for WRECs	
4.	Subbasin Delineation	20 minutes	Review and	-	Facilitator,
			Discussion		All
7.	Next Steps	5 minutes	-	-	Facilitator
8.	End	-	-	-	Facilitator

Handouts:

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Job Proposal: Technical Support for Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Committees

Entities in Attendance

Name	Representing	Name	Representing
Kirk Lakey	Department of Fish and Wildlife	Souheil Nasr	City of Everett
Ingria Jones	Department of Ecology	Anne Savory (alternate)	Tulalip Tribes
Julie Lewis	Snoqualmie Tribe	Matt Baerwalde	Snoqualmie Tribe
Cynthia Krass	Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District	David Hartley	Consultant for Snoqualmie Tribe
Janne Kaje	King County	Brant Wood	Snohomish Public Utility District #1
Beth leDoux	Snohomish Basin Forum Technical Committee	Terri Strandberg	Snohomish County
Ann Bylin	Snohomish County	Karin Latimer	City of Marysville
Matthew Eyer	City of Marysville	Keith Binkley	Snohomish Public Utility District #1
Steve Nelson	City of Snoqualmie	Perry Falcone	Snoqualmie Watershed Forum
Paul Faulds	City of Seattle (Seattle Public Utilities)	Emily Dick (alternate)	Washington Water Trust
Greg McLaughlin	Washington Water Trust		

Workgroup Formation:

Ingria reminded the group that the role of the workgroup is to support the Committee and that the Committee is the decision-making body. Discussion surrounding role of the workgroup in relation to the Committee and the technical consultants. Questions regarding flexibility in consultant scope of work, roles regarding data gathering, recommendations, and coordination between technical consultant, Committee, and workgroup. Clarification that the consultants develop work for the client, which is Ecology, however the Committee is also a client, offering feedback to the Consultants on methods and work products.

Cynthia Krass volunteered to report back to the committee on April 11.

Job Proposal for Technical Support:

Ingria walked through the scope of work for technical consultants and noted that the technical consultant for WRIA 7 will be GeoEngineers.

Task 1-Data Availability: Comment that task is written broadly. Information gap is attributes of the basin, as they relate to potential for Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) and Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR).

Task 2-Subbasin Delineations: Comment that workgroup and Committee needs to understand the consequences of the subbasin delineation and that the discussion and work products on subbasin delineations are not simply based on lumping vs. splitting subbasins, but include important context considerations. Subbasin delineations need to consider where growth is likely to occur and do not necessarily need to align with salmon recovery subbasins. Subbasins can be refined later, if necessary, during project selection, since we will not know everything about project availability for our initial subbasin delineation. Discussion surrounding flexibility to refine subbasins when new data becomes available, e.g. Vision 2050 forecast. Vision 2050 includes a regional, hig-level growth allocation. The allocation is not by watershed and does not parse our rural v. urban population projections-would need to be done by consultants. Ingria will learn more about 2050 data and how it aligns with Committee timelines.

Task 3-Growth Projections: Discussion surrounding permit-exempt wells within water purveyor's service boundaries and recommendations to seek information from all water purveyors. Suggestion to develop survey for water purveyors. Comment that it is important to consider parcel-level data, capacity of existing water purveyors, and look at retail service areas and likelihood of hookups in vicinity, instead of looking at future service area. Future service area and retail service area are not the same. Comprehensive Plans identify retail service areas. Data will need to be extracted. Note that Snohomish County's policy in development, which would require hookups when service is available in a reasonable and timely manner, may not be passed before Committee needs to decide on growth projections.

Task 4-Consumptive Use: Discussion surrounding different trends for urban v. rural water use. Dungeness Water Exchange Program has rural water use data. Emily Dick has additional information. City of Everett also has data for water use from rural vs. urban connections.

Task 5-Project and Action Identification: No comments or discussion.

Task 6-NEB Determination: Ingria noted that the Committee needs to make the case that its Plan meets NEB in the watershed, then Ecology will evaluate the plan to make a determination of whether it meets NEB. Consultants will develop a narrative and supporting technical memo making the case that the Plan meets NEB.

Question regarding timing of Ecology's final NEB Guidance. Ecology is planning to have presentations on NEB at the June Committee meeting. Scope of Work is specific enough to what consultants will need to do, despite final guidance not having been issued.

Subbasin Delineations:

The workgroup did not have an in-depth discussion subbasin delineations and will revisit this topic at its April meeting.

Next Steps

- Workgroup members: review John Covert's <u>Intro to Subbasins Presentation:</u> http://listserv.ecology.wa.gov/scripts/wa-ECOLOGY.exe?OK=D76980E7&L=WREC-7
- Workgroup members: send additional comments or feedback on the proposed SOW to Ingria.
- Ingria will follow up on Vision 2050 forecasts-detail of what forecast includes and how timeline aligns with Committee timeline
- Ingria will develop a mission statement to clarify the role of the workgroup in relation to the Committee, Ecology, and the technical consultants.
- Ingria will send out a doodle poll to schedule the April workgroup meeting.
- Cynthia Krass will provide an update to the Committee at the next Committee meeting on April 11