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To: Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Committees, 90.94.030 RCW

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RE: Proposed project tracking language for inclusion in draft watershed plans

Project Tracking

The Committee has identified the need to track streamflow restoration projects and new domestic permit-exempt wells to: (1) improve the capacity to conduct implementation monitoring of streamflow restoration projects and actions, (2) build grant funding opportunities and track streamflow restoration associated costs, and (3) provide a template for adaptively managing emergent restoration needs. The Committee recommends piloting the Salmon Recovery Portal (<https://srp.rco.wa.gov/about>), managed by the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO), for satisfying these needs. The implementation of project tracking through a pilot program using the Salmon Recovery Portal will be coordinated by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife in collaboration with the Washington Department of Ecology, RCO, and the Committee. To improve harmonization of streamflow restoration with ongoing salmon recovery efforts, local salmon recovery Lead Entity Coordinators shall be consulted prior to initial data uploads. University of Washington data stewards will be employed to conduct data entry, quality assurance, and quality control (see *Supplemental document: project tracking*).