

## **Puyallup White River Local Integrating Organization (PWR-LIO)**

### **LIO meeting**

September 10, 2020

3:00pm-5:00pm

Via Zoom



Attendance: 25

Representing: TPCHD, Tacoma, Pierce County, King CD, Pierce CD, Tahoma Audubon, Rainier Audubon, Citizen's Climate Lobby - Tacoma, Puyallup Watershed Initiative – Forests and Education COIs, Lead Entity, PRWC, Wild Earth Guardians, Puget Sound Partnership, Conservation NW, WSU Ext. Puyallup, Washington Stormwater Center, Ross Strategic

### **Draft Meeting Summary**

**Welcome & Introductions** – Krystal Kyer, LIO Coordinator

**Funding and Contracts Updates** – Krystal Kyer

- 2021 LIO Capacity Funds - \$125,000 – Scope of Work, RFP, timeline
  - NTA selection and funding - \$103,500 – Scope of Work, timeline
  - Flexible and Cost-Effective Infiltration Methods for Evaluating Shallow and Deep Infiltration Feasibility, City of Tacoma - \$280,000
  - 2019-0787 NTA: Upper Puyallup River Watershed Assessment: Protection and Resiliency Planning, SPSSEG - \$147,000
- We will invite SPSSEG and Tacoma to share an overview of their recently funded NTAs that benefit this watershed at the next quarterly LIO meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Also see presentation slides for details on first two bullets

**Recap ERP progress to date** – Elizabeth McManus and Mario Colon, Ross Strategic

**Review & Feedback on draft Ecosystem Recovery Plan Chapters:**

- Introduction; reviewed draft Focus Areas chapters; introduced possible Pressures and Attributes
- Discussion/Chat:
  - Land Use: Interest in Floodplains for the Future land conversion data, high resolution mapping done by ESA. Ken Pierce at WDFW also has a presentation on high resolution change detection.
  - Water Quality: Is there any TMDLs, data on sediment loading for the upper watershed?
  - Climate Change: there are many climate studies under development in the watershed, but not many completed. How are other LIOs approaching climate change? (this is a new area of work, that was not part of the guidance for developing ERPs; it is new; we are the example to follow when they update their plans, but guidance is still limited)
  - Agriculture: recommend that narrative goals identified could be shared with Pierce County Ag. Roundtable to make sure ag groups are in general agreement with narrative goals; encourage use of ag related language used by the FfF; invasive species as a pressure

- Environmental Justice: state task force is meeting today, how can we build off that work? Are other specific groups being asked for input on this focus area? How can we ask them in an appropriate manner?

Other: air quality is an issue for Pierce County and an EJ issue. What air quality from forest fire smoke, as well as diesel trucks and wood burning fireplaces? Ties into climate change and equity both; What is the timeframe for this plan? What about population density or growth as a pressure? Or urban growth/sprawl?

- See presentation slides
- Send any additional comments on the 1st draft to Mario by COB on 9/18

We will circle back to all focus area groups to discuss the draft plan in 2021, if not sooner. We will seek additional feedback and revisions before a final version is completed in mid-2021.

### **Upcoming Meetings and Milestones**

- Equity/Human well-being focus area meeting: Sept.11<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm on Zoom
- Climate Change focus area meeting: Sept.25<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm on Zoom
- 1<sup>st</sup> draft ERP submission deadline: Sept.30
- Quarterly PWR LIO meeting: November 12<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm on Zoom
- Dr. David Trimbach is invited to present on the Human Well Being indicators that are being developed and refined by the Partnership at the Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Roundtable/Announcements – all**

4:50pm

**Adjourned**