



PRCC Habitat Subcommittee Meeting
FINAL APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Thursday December 13, 2018

1:00 pm

Grant PUD Wenatchee Office

PRCC Habitat Subcommittee Members

Kate Terrell, USFWS	Chris Fisher, CCT
Dave Duvall, Deane Pavlik-Kunkel (alt), GCPUD	Lee Carlson, Brandon Rogers (alt), YN
Justin Yeager, Dale Bambrick (alt), NMFS	Carl Merkle, CTUIR
Jeremy Cram, Carmen Andonaegui (alt), WDFW	Erin Harris, GCPUD, Admin Assistant
Denny Rohr, D. Rohr & Assoc, Facilitator	

Meeting Attendees

Chris Fisher, CCT	Justin Yeager, NMFS
Brandon Rogers, YN	Kate Terrell, USFWS
Dave Duvall, GCPUD	Deanne Pavlik-Kunkel, GCPUD
Denny Rohr, D.Rohr & Assoc.	Jeremy Cram, WDFW (absent)
Erin Harris, GCPUD, (absent)	

- I. SAFETY REVIEW** - completed
- II. Agenda Review** – Rohr added a discussion of PRCC Habitat Subcommittee letterhead.
- III. Approval of Minutes for October 11, 2018 (D. Rohr)** - approved
- IV. Action Items Review from October 11, 2018 Meeting (D. Rohr)** –

- A. Rohr will contact Jennifer Hadersberger to inform her of schedule change and request for her attendance at a future HabSC meeting regarding activities involving the Nason Ridge Riparian Corridor Project. **completed**
- B. Rohr will inform Mickey Fleming, CD Land Trust, of HabSC approval of CDLT Nason Ridge Riparian Corridor Proposal. **completed**
- C. Rohr will contact K. Terrell regarding HabSC voting regarding approval of the Bosket Nason Creek Acquisition Proposal. **completed**

V. Habitat Funds and NNI Report – Q3 (D. Rohr) – Q3 was previously distributed by email. No additional discussion.

VI. Review/Update of Activities Regarding Nason Ridge Riparian Corridor Project – (B. Rogers, D. Rohr) – Rogers requested, and committee members concurred, this project be removed from the agenda and revisited sometime next summer. Changing circumstances and activities are prompting this decision.

VII. Affirmation of Voting to Approve Lower White River Floodplain (Martinson) Phase 1 – Land Acquisition – Email Vote of October 30, 2018 (D. Rohr)

- A. CDLT Request – Approved, up to \$7500, Fund 602. **This email vote activity was noted for the record.** During discussion of this proposal committee members noted the funding request of \$7500 exceeded the standard amount of \$5,000. However, after extensive discussion regarding the additional activities required by CDLT regarding this proposal, committee members agreed to the requested increase up to \$7,500 for this proposal only.
- B. HabSC Appraisal – Approved. **This email vote activity was noted for the record.**

Additional information was provided by Duvall regarding the current appraisal activity underway. Duvall was informed that due to some apparent activities occurring on the property (county re-zoning parcel from residential to recreational) the expected appraisal may be significantly lower than previously anticipated. Accordingly, Duvall will contact Mickey Fleming, CDLT, to determine if the landowner is still interested in selling the property if the appraisal is lower than previously anticipated. Duvall will direct the appraiser to do no more appraisal work until this question is answered.

VIII. Affirmation of Voting to Approve Bosket Nason Creek Acquisition (D. Rohr)

- A. CDLT Request – K. Terrell concurred with October 11, 2018 Habitat SC vote to approve funding request from CD Land Trust of up to \$5,000 for project development funds to develop an acquisition proposal, from Fund 602. **K. Terrell's concurrence was noted for the record.**

- B. HabSC Appraisal – K. Terrell concurred with October 11, 2018 Habitat SC vote to approve. **K. Terrell’s concurrence was noted for the record.**

Duvall also informed the committee that the appraisal is expected to be completed as early as next week.

IX. Icicle Creek Fish Passage – Wild Fish to Wilderness / Boulder Field Proposal (K. Terrell)

- A. Trout Unlimited Spec Sheet dated November 19, 2018

Rohr commented that a spec sheet for this project was received from Trout Unlimited and distributed to committee members by email. The funding request is for \$375,000. The total cost of the project is \$1,900,000 and committee members have been informed that \$800,000-900,000 has been secured to date. After discussion, committee members tabled the subject to the next meeting in January 2019 for additional review.

X. Icicle Peshastin Irrigation District (IPID) and City of Leavenworth Diversions / Fish Screens (K. Terrell, D. Rohr)

- A. Affirmation of EMAIL VOTE approval to send PRCC Habitat SC letter to Icicle Work Group, Letter dated November 27, 2018. **The email voting activity was noted for the record.**

Committee members commented that discussion continues to occur among several parties regarding the IPID and City of Leavenworth water diversion fish screens. Committee members noted that the letter sent to the Icicle Work Group was helpful regarding their holding funds for work to be done on the fish screens to bring them into compliance. Current expectation is to receive spec sheets for these two projects in January or February of 2019. WDFW is involved in the design and CCNRD will be involved in the implementation.

XI. Potpourri (D. Rohr) – Rohr informed the committee that S.3119 Sea Lion legislation has been approved by the Senate.

XII. (Agenda addition) – Discussion of PRCC Habitat Subcommittee letterhead (D. Duvall, D. Rohr) – Duvall and Rohr discussed the development of PRCCHSC letterhead with committee members. Having appropriate letterhead to use when sending letters from the committee needs to be considered. After discussion, all agreed to Duvall and Rohr working on this and keeping the committee advised.

Project Updates

- A. McIntyre Dam - Fish Jumping Efficiency (C. Fisher)** – no new information
- B. Shuttleworth Creek Projects (C. Fisher)** – no new information
- C. ORRI Update – Status of Penticton Spawning Bed #3 and #4 (C. Fisher)** – Construction of the spawning beds has been completed. Monitoring and management information will be coming in December and over the next few months. Duvall also commented that ONA reported 23,400 spawners were in the Penticton Channel and at least 40-50,000 adult sockeye should have passed Zosel Dam.
- D. Roaring Creek Flow Restoration and Diversion Removal Project (K. Terrell)** – no new information
- E. Icicle Creek Boulder Field PIT Tag Array (J. Cram)** – no new information
- F. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project, Phase II (J. Cram)** – no new information
- G. Barkley Irrigation Company Permanent Point of Diversion (July 12, 2012) plus 2015/16 O&M Funding (May 14, 2015) - (J. Yeager)** – (Report from Trout Unlimited) In the month of November the Barkley project has seen some real good progress. We are DIGGING dirt. Lloyd Logging was the lowest bidder on the Davis pipe project! After we went through the contract phase with them, they started construction on the project in mid-November. With the weather in the Methow Valley favorable for construction Lloyd made very good progress on the pipe install, and they should have things pretty well wrapped up by the middle of December. The MVID Diversion Infrastructure Modification Project was sent out for solicitation November 8th with bids due back by November 30th. Selland Construction was the low bidder for this project and we are currently going the contract phase and plan to start construction in early 2019. The easements required for the Barkley on the historic MVID ROW have all been signed by the land owners, and we are glad to have this section of easements behind us for sure. The next phase of easements will be sent out in the first part of December, with the plan of the project team working on finalizing these through the winter 2019. The Team has been also making good progress on the required easements with the DOT/FAA. The DOT group has set up a by-weekly conference call to help move this piece of the proper permissions moving along. With construction started the project team has a good feel to it and we are plowing ahead full steam.
- H. Skaha Dam Fish Passage Project (C. Fisher)** – no new information
- I. Cascade Orchards Icicle Creek Flow Restoration Project (J. Yeager, D. Duvall)** – now new information
- J. Wenatchee Basin Barrier and Diversion Inventory Proposal – CCFEG (K. Terrell)** – no new information

Next Meeting – Thursday, January 10, 2019, 1:00 pm, Grant PUD Wenatchee Office

Action Items for December 13, 2018

1. Duvall will contact Mickey Fleming and the property appraiser regarding appraisal activities of the Lower White River Flood Plain (Martinson) Phase 1 Project.
2. Duvall and Rohr will follow up with development of PRCCHSC letterhead.

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