

Alliance for a Healthy South Sound (AHSS) Council Meeting
November 10, 2015, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Via conference call

Participants

Jesse Barham, City of Olympia
Evan Bauder, Mason Conservation District
Marian Berejikian, Kitsap County
Cindy Callahan, Pierce County Public Health
Karla Fowler, LOTT
Justin Hall, Nisqually River Council
Tom Kantz, Pierce County
Sue Patnude, DERT
Dave Peeler, DERT
Susan Perong, Pierce County
Debbie Riley, Mason County Public Health

Al Schmauder, Chambers-Clover Watershed Council
Chris Schutz, Pierce County
Stephanie Suter, PSP
Merita Trohimovich, City of Tacoma
Lydia Wagner, ECY
Allan Warren, Pierce Conservation District

Meeting Coordination:

Elizabeth McManus, Ross Strategic
Andy Chinn, Ross Strategic

Meeting Summary

I. Council Administrative Items

September Meeting Summary

- Council members approved the September 2015 meeting summary, which will be posted to the AHSS website.

PSP Updates

- PSP recently released its 2015 “State of the Sound” report. Contact Stephanie Suter for hard copies; the report is available on the PSP [website](#).

II. South Sound Near Term Actions

Elizabeth reviewed the number, scope, and financial totals of NTAs submitted by project sponsors. Elizabeth will call each project sponsor during the next 2-3 weeks to review the results of the Technical Team’s NTA scoring. Although some projects were below the designated cutoff criteria, the Technical Team decided to recommend to the Executive Committee that all projects be provided the opportunity to move forward, if the project sponsors so decide. The Technical Team will work with project sponsors to fulfill the criteria for submitting their projects to PSP. Elizabeth reminded the Council that details on the grants to be awarded – number or amount – is not available but it is estimated that no more than \$10 million will be available for all of Puget Sound.

Questions and Comments

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- When is the deadline for submitting NTAs to PSP?
NTA proposals are due to PSP by 10 am on December 31.
- The Strategic Initiative Transition Teams (SITTs) will ultimately evaluate the NTA proposals. South Central LIO alone had approximately \$150 million in requests. Other organizations may also use the NTA list to determine funding for projects.
- PSP has indicated that NTAs will be updated every two years but the cycle might end up annually.

Next Steps

- Elizabeth will contact NTA project sponsors to discuss whether they want to move forward with the PSP submittal process.
- The Technical Team will brief the AHSS Executive Committee on the NTA proposals and next steps.
- The Technical Team will provide feedback from the Executive Committee to NTA sponsors.

III. South Sound Recovery Strategy Development

In October the Technical Team provided a presentation to the SITT on South Sound Vital Signs, pressures, and recovery strategy work. The full document on which the presentation was based is posted on the AHSS [website](#). The SITT asked questions related to project rankings and funding strategies. During the next few months the Technical Team will be shifting toward finishing the South Sound strategy. Upcoming Council meetings will be focused on deliberating certain issues around the strategy and providing opportunities for input.

[Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm]

Next meeting: TBD