

Dungeness Watershed Action Plan Conference Call Notes, August 15, 2011

Participants (11): John Woolley, Mike Anderson, Susan Piper, Ross Krumpe, Jeff Chapman, Kathleen Dowd-Gailey, Scott Haggerty, Rebecca Wolfe, Dean Yoshina, Michael Blanton, Tim McNulty

De-brief on July 29 and Field Trip

- People thought that both field trips were very well organized and informative. Susan's cookies were appreciated. Ross said the only problem he had was a discourteous personal remark by one of the participants, but that overall he's getting to like the group. Kathleen and others said it was important to show respect for all participants.
- Susan said that the list of field trip participants and their affiliations would soon be posted on the Forest Service's Dungeness webpage, along with all other relevant action plan documents.

Action Plan Update

- Susan said that the spreadsheet list of potential projects is available on the website. Most of the Forest Service projects are now listed. They still need to fill in some of the information cells, like costs.
- The deadline for submitting additional proposals is August 31. Tim, Ross, and Jeff said that they intend to do so.
- Regarding additional project information, Tim suggested that it would be important to have a rough estimate of cost, to help assess feasibility.

Next Steps

- The Dungeness River Management Team's regular monthly meeting will be on September 14, 2:00-5:00, at the Audubon Center in Railroad Bridge Park. The Forest Service watershed action plan will likely be on the agenda. Meetings are open to the public.
- There was general support for the idea of having an in-person meeting/workshop of the collaborative group to discuss the proposed projects for the action plan. DRMT members will be invited to attend.
- Mike said that Scott Chitwood has offered to host the workshop at the tribal headquarters at Sequim Bay. Scott will not be available to attend the week of Sept. 19.
- Rebecca requested that the workshop include some information about the Forest Service's Watershed Condition Framework evaluation of the Dungeness watershed.
- Mike expressed concerns about putting too much emphasis on prioritizing the projects in the action plan. He would rather see the Dungeness group get behind all projects in the plan, as the Skokomish Watershed Action Team does.
- Susan will check with Dean et al. about potential dates for the workshop, and Mike will ask for input from the group on date preferences.
- The possibility of another public meeting in the fall will be discussed at the next conference call.

Next conference call of the collaborative working group will be Monday, September 12, at 10:00 AM.