

Item # 16

**Aquatic Lands Enhancement
Account**

June 2007

Topics

1. Clarify program intent.
2. Clarify performance measure criteria.
3. Review navigability requirement.
4. Coordinate with Puget Sound Partnership.
5. Consider geographic distribution results.
6. Update RCW citations.

1. Program Intent

- Perceived conflict of multiple program goals.
- Review goals and intent.
- Clarify how to balance multiple goals.
- Review evaluation criteria.

2. Performance Measure Criteria

- Clarify measurable goals and objectives criteria.
- Incorporate statement of environmental benefit.
- RCW 79.105.150 for Performance Measures

3. Navigability

- Review the eligibility criteria.
- Consider options for expanding the definition.
- Document procedures used for determining navigability.

Other

4. Coordination with Puget Sound Partnership.
5. Consider the geographic balance of grant awards.
6. Update RCW citations.

Next Steps

- June – July: Staff analysis and review
- August: Public review of draft changes
- September: Report to Board
- October: Final draft for public review
- November: Board action on recommendation
- January 2008: Application Workshops

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Hi Laura:

Sorry this took so long. Per our discussion is a proposal to revise a policy manual as it relates to what constitutes shoreline abutting navigable waters.

The purpose of ALEA is enhancing public access to the states' shorelines and restoring lands abutting the those shorelines or bedlands. Since many of the lands abutting those bedlands have been diked in western Washington we feel that it is important to have a definition for purposes of ALEA that allows those lands to be included under the ALEA program as restoration often involves the removal of dikes to restore estuaries.

Also attached is language to address the tax parcel issue as it relates to a property. Since counties allow landowners to consolidate tax parcels we feel it is ambiguous to use tax parcels for purposes for differentiating properties under ALEA or any of the WWRP grants.

Thanks for your consideration. Please let me know if you need additional information.

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For Navigable Water as part of the ALEA Program:

"In addition to the definitions contained within federal law 33 CFR Part 329, and the Washington State Constitution Article XVII defining navigable water, the Board will also include waters that were meandered in the original Government Land Office (GLO) surveys as referenced in WAC 332-30-106 (37) & (41)."

Tax Parcels

"For the purpose of determining eligibility of a property parcel for inclusion in a Board funded project under the ALEA and WWRP programs, the Board finds the term "parcel" to mean all contiguous land ownership of a landowner without regard to county tax parcel, land class, or zoning designations."