

SALMON RECOVERY FUNDING BOARD SUMMARIZED MEETING AGENDA AND ACTIONS, JUNE 24, 2013

Agenda Items with Formal Action

Item	Formal Action	Follow-up Actions
Project, Lead Entity, and Regional Organization Funding Allocation Decisions	<p>The board approved the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extended the existing contracts with lead entities and regional organizations through August 31, 2013. • Delegated authority to the Director to use either reappropriated returned funds or newly appropriated funds to fund the ongoing monthly administrative functions of the regions and lead entities through August 31, 2013 as shown on Tables B-1 and B-2. • Reserve \$500,000 to be used for project cost increases in fiscal year 2014, to be used consistent with policies in Manual 18. 	Staff to present funding options for the remainder of fiscal year 2014 at the August 22 meeting

SALMON RECOVERY FUNDING BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES

Date: June 24, 2013, SPECIAL MEETING

Place: Olympia, WA; MEMBERS PARTICIPATING VIA CONFERENCE CALL

Salmon Recovery Funding Board Members Present:

David Troutt, Chair	Olympia	Harry Barber	Washougal
Josh Brown	Kitsap County	Jennifer Quan	Department of Fish and Wildlife
Phil Rockefeller	NWPCC	Carol Smith	Conservation Commission
Nancy Biery	Jefferson County		

It is intended that this summary be used with the materials provided in advance of the meeting. A recording is retained by RCO as the formal record of meeting.

Opening and Welcome

Chair David Troutt called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and a quorum was determined.

Decisions

Item 1: Project, Lead Entity, and Regional Organization Funding Allocation Decisions

Director Cottingham noted that the budget was not passed over the weekend, so Option 2 was needed. It is a short-term fix that would amend current contracts. She noted that three letters were submitted; they were emailed to board members and posted to the web.

Brian Abbott, Salmon Section Manager, reviewed the information provided in the advance materials, which were posted to the web site on June 21, 2013. He reviewed Table 1 (page 3 of the memo), which estimated available funds for the biennium. He ran through Option 1; Director Cottingham noted that due to budget uncertainty, staff was recommending Option 2. Chair Troutt noted that he preferred to keep the discussion focused on option 2.

Brian explained that Option 2 would delegate authority to the director to approve funding through the end of August for lead entities and regional organizations. Grant round funding for 2013 and funding for the remainder of the year for lead entities and regions would be approved in August. Director Cottingham noted that Option 2 requires the Legislature to adopt a budget.

Chair Troutt clarified that this would not require the board to have another meeting. Director Cottingham confirmed that, and noted that she would be sending out notices suspending the contracts after midnight June 30. Carol Smith asked if the amounts would be reduced if the budget were adopted after July 1; Director Cottingham responded that she expected that the budget would be backdated to July 1.

Abbott noted that the funding tables were in Attachment B of the memo. The figures were determined by dividing the annual totals by twelve.

Public Comment

Jeanette Dorner, Puget Sound Partnership, submitted a letter to the board noting that the funding for the Puget Sound region had been decreased in 2011-13 by \$200,000 to fund work done by the lead entities. That funding was not reinstated for either the region or lead entities in the staff proposal. She did not speak at the meeting.

Jeff Breckel, Council of Regions, said that the letter they submitted really addressed interests and concerns for fiscal year 2014 and beyond. They appreciate the actions of staff to sustain operations over the next couple of months. This is a busy time for all, and it is important to maintain continuity over the summer. There will be questions about the process, but those are things they can work with RCO staff to address.

Cheryl Baumann, LEAG, thanked the staff and board for the efforts to keep work going during this critical time. One thing that concerns her is the recommendation to defer setting the target round until August. This will make the PSAR early action process more difficult.

Director Cottingham noted that she is optimistic that staff can recommend an \$18 million grant round, but it depends on what the Legislature adopts.

Josh Brown moved to adopt Option 2, inclusive of the three motions presented in the staff memo.

Seconded by: Phil Rockefeller

Motion: APPROVED

Director Cottingham noted what to expect in the next few days. Sponsors can expect notice of suspension of contracts effective of July 1. RCO hopes to rescind that notice if the Legislature acts before July 1. Regions and lead entities also will receive contract extensions. Once the budget is adopted, they will get a scope change and cost increase for two months.

Minutes approved by:



David Troutt, Chair



Date

Table B-1: Regional Organizations, Funding for July and August 2013

Region	July 2013	August 2013	Totals
Lower Columbia	\$33,904	\$33,904	\$67,808
Hood Canal	\$31,250	\$31,205	\$62,500
Puget Sound	\$57,430	\$57,430	\$114,860
Snake	\$27,799	\$27,799	\$55,598
Upper Columbia	\$36,250	\$36,250	\$72,500
Washington Coast	\$21,174	\$21,174	\$42,348
Yakima	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$47,500
Total	\$231,557	\$231,557	\$463,114

Table B-2: Lead Entities, Funding for July and August 2013

Lead Entities	July 2013	August 2013	Totals
Lower Columbia Regional Salmon Recovery*	\$6,667	\$6,667	\$13,334
Hood Canal Regional Salmon Recovery*	\$6,667	\$6,667	\$13,334
Northeast Region	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
Puget Sound			
Green/Duwamish & Central Sound Lead Entity	\$4,167	\$4,167	\$8,334
Island County Lead Entity	\$4,167	\$4,167	\$8,334
Lake Washington/Sammamish Lead Entity	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
Mason CD Lead Entity	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$7,000
Nisqually River Salmon Recovery Lead Entity	\$5,208	\$5,208	\$10,416
North Olympic Peninsula Lead Entity	\$6,667	\$6,667	\$13,334
Pierce County Lead Entity	\$4,583	\$4,583	\$9,166
San Juan County Lead Entity	\$4,167	\$4,167	\$8,334
Skagit Watershed Council Lead Entity	\$6,667	\$6,667	\$13,334
Snohomish Basin Lead Entity	\$5,208	\$5,208	\$10,416
Stillaguamish Co-Lead Entity	\$5,167	\$5,167	\$10,334
Thurston CD Lead Entity	\$3,334	\$3,334	\$6,668
West Sound Watersheds Lead Entity	\$4,167	\$4,167	\$8,334
WRIA 1 Salmon Recovery Lead Entity	\$5,416	\$5,416	\$10,832
Snake River Regional Salmon Recovery*	\$5,416	\$5,416	\$10,832
Upper Columbia Regional Salmon Recovery*	\$11,250	\$11,250	\$22,500
Washington Coast			
Grays Harbor Lead Entity	\$4,583	\$4,583	\$9,166
Pacific Lead Entity	\$4,167	\$4,167	\$8,334
North Coast Lead Entity	\$3,750	\$3,750	\$7,500
Quinalt Indian Nation Lead Entity	\$3,750	\$3,750	\$7,500
Yakima (Includes Klickitat)			
Klickitat County Lead Entity	\$4,583	\$4,583	\$9,166
Yakima Basin Regional Salmon Recovery	\$5,416	\$5,416	\$10,832
Subtotal, Lead Entities	\$128,667	\$128,667	\$257,334
Lead Entity Training	\$667	\$667	\$1,334
Lead Entity Chair	\$375	\$375	\$750
Subtotal, Lead Entity Support	\$1,042	\$1,042	\$2,084
Totals	\$129,709	\$129,709	\$259,418

* Regional organization administering the lead entity

