



**San Juan County Action Agenda Oversight Group/San Juan Local Integrating Organization (SJ-LIO)
Implementation Committee (IC) Meeting**

Meeting Summary

**Wednesday August 3, 2016, 11:00 am – 1:30 pm
Islanders Bank Annex Building, Friday Harbor, WA**

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Action Items	Person(s) Responsible
Prepare request for NTA proposal addenda	Marta
Finalize Evaluation Criteria form	Marta

Record of Decisions	Person(s) Responsible
LIO will not seek to pool direct funding with another LIO this year	

Welcome and Introductions

Linda Lyshall, chair of the Implementation Committee (IC), convened the meeting at 11:05am. The Implementation Committee (IC) members and guests provided brief introductions. Mark Herrenkohl, interim Environmental Resource Manager for San Juan County, will be replacing Sam Gibboney’s seat on the LIO IC.

Meeting Agenda and Summary

The meeting agenda was approved with no changes. The meeting summary from the June 1, 2016 SJ LIO Implementation Committee meeting was approved by members via email.

Public Comment

None.

Regional Updates on the 2016 Action Agenda

Marta reported that there has been a proposed Salish Sea Commission to look at transboundary needs, such as salmon protection and vessel traffic risks. Stephanie Buffum clarified that the commission will be modeled after an existing commission in the Great Lakes region and will have representatives from federal agencies from both the US and Canada including NOAA, the EPA, Environment Canada, and tribal representatives.

Linda Lyshall reported on the joint SI lead, LIO, and PSP WebEx meeting she attended on July 7th. The workshop raised more questions than it answered, but was good because many attendees had many of the same questions. The PSP is asking for a preliminary decision for which pot of money funds will be coming from.

Arnie Klaus alerted members to the Terry Husseman Account opportunity. There is a \$50k grant opportunity, and proposals are due by Aug. 15th.

Local Updates



Marta reported that the 2014 NTA reports, including financial and status updates, are due Aug. 5th. For 2016 NTA financial updates she reminded the group that if there is no update to cost estimate in the NTA proposals no changes are needed to financial data but that other fields in the SmartSheet still need to be complete.

Marta has been successful in reprogramming some funds from the supplemental grant and redirecting them directly to NTA funding. The 2016 Stormwater Ditch BMP NTA will be funded. There is an \$11k budget and John Cook will be overseeing the work. She also reported that the supplemental LIO grant terms has been extended to December 31st. A member enquired about the overhead that would be incurred and discussion followed.

San Juan LIO is leading an effort to hold a workshop on vessel traffic strategies with Straits and Island County LIOs. Marta reported that the LIO coordinators desire to incorporate a broader perspective and improve the EPRP draft strategy. There are other workshops planned that will also address vessel traffic risks, such as the Dept. of Ecology's VTRA workshop in October and the MRC's Marine Managers' Workshop in 2017. Discussion followed. Stan noted that the Swinomish Tribe may not participate in this workshop. Marta clarified that the purpose of the workshop is to collaborate with other LIOs and try to ensure that tribal concerns and priorities are better understood and reflected in the strategy.

Ecosystems Protection and Recovery Plan (EPRP)

Marta went over the Plan Development Timeline. She reported that the process is at the point where feedback from LIO members is critical. Quantitative objectives and goals should be identified if possible where we have a basis to define them.

Marta reviewed Human Well Being components with LIO members. Discussion followed. Good governance was discussed as a vital sign. There was some debate about good governance versus fair governance, especially in relation to illegal shoreline armoring activity in San Juan County. It was suggested that the enforcement officers in San Juan County should be involved in this discussion as well. Linda noted that enforcement officers have been invited to LIO meetings in the past to discuss this issue, and outreach efforts had been made to the CDP department.

Jennifer led the group in an overview of the four conceptual models (shoreline hardening, vessel traffic impacts and large oil spills, stormwater, and freshwater) and corresponding strategies. Members then worked in groups to discuss and capture comments and gaps in the strategies. Next steps for the EPRP will be to incorporate PSP comments, to participate in the vessel traffic strategy workshop, to prepare text and figures, have members review and comment on draft by Sept. 7th, get AOC approval by Sept. 20th, and submit the draft plan by Sept. 30th.

Prioritizing Local NTAs for FY2016-17 NEP Funds

Linda reported the LIO approach to prioritize 2016 NTAs for \$100k in direct funding. Members will conduct the prioritization process leading up to and during Sept. 7th LIO IC meeting. Marta clarified that the proposal will be an addendum to the complete NTA proposal and request information on scope, budget and objectives/outcomes. She will send owners the RFP next week along with the evaluation criteria, with a due date of August 29. Members confirmed a desire for a 4-page limit. The Evaluation Form will be finalized and forwarded to members along with the proposal addenda received. Stan asked



if NTAs can be phased. Linda said yes, that phasing is one of three options for funding. LIOs can also fund more than one NTA or work together and pool NTA funds to fund a larger action. It was agreed that SJ LIO would not pursue pooling NTA funds with another LIO this year.

Next Steps

- Aug. 29th – 2016 NTA proposal addenda due
- Sept. 7th - LIO IC meeting
- Sept. 20th – LIO AOC meeting
- Sept. 30th – EPRP draft plan due to PSP

Meeting Adjourned at 1:13 pm

**Attachment - Meeting Participants
Members**



Name	Affiliation	In Attendance
Barbara Bentley	SJC Marine Resources Committee	
Arnie Klaus	SJC Marine Resources Committee	X
Alan Chapman	Lummi Natural Resources Department	X (via phone)
Kyle Dodd	San Juan County Health & Community Services	
Mark Herrenkohl	San Juan County Public Works/Environmental Resources	X
Patti Gobin	Tulalip Tribes	
Stephanie Buffum	San Juan Stewardship Network/EcoNet Representative	X
Linda Lyshall (Chair)	San Juan Islands Conservation District	X
Byron Rot	San Juan County/WRIA 2 Lead Entity	
Billie Swalla	University of Washington Friday Harbor Laboratories	X
Kimbal Sundberg	Water Resources Management Committee	
Stan Walsh	Swinomish Tribe, Skagit River System Cooperative	X

Staff and Guests

Name	Affiliation
Laura Arnold	Marine Resources Committee, Stewardship Network
Marta Green	San Juan Action Agenda Oversight Group
Jennifer Thomas	Water and Land Natural Resources Consulting
Chandler Colahan	Recording Secretary