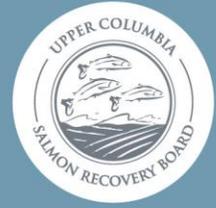


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CHELAN PROJECT RANKING MEETING SUMMARY

CHELAN COUNTY CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CHELAN FIRE STATION - CHELAN, WA

THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018

- Committee Members: Rick Smith (Chair), Dave Graybill, Buford Howell, Mike Deason, Bob Whitehall, Jerry Gutzwiler, and Alan Schmidt
- UCSRB Staff: Facilitator /Pete Teigen, Melody Kreimes and Tayna Russel

Rick Smith, CAC Chair, convened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Committee Logistics

Individual CAC member scores for each project were written on the whiteboard and documented in the Excel spreadsheet by Tayna. Scores for each project were then totaled, and the project list ranked according to total scores (both on the whiteboard and in the spreadsheet). Two projects (Goodwin Side Channel and Monitor Side Channel) both received the same total points so were tied for 10th rank. The standard deviation for each project was calculated and reviewed. The standard deviation used to determine that Monitor Side Channel (standard deviation 2.64) would be ranked 10th and Goodwin Side Channel (standard deviation 3.66) would be ranked 11th. The CAC agreed with the ranking as shown and made no other changes. Members then looked at the CAC's ranking in context of the RTT's scoring, and noted that, generally, the two aligned except for Goodwin Side Channel and Wenatchee Bull Trout projects.

The initial Chelan CAC Ranked List:

1. Middle Entiat Restoration – Area F
2. Cottonwood Flats
3. Entiat Basin Fish Passage Assessment
4. Merritt Oxbow
5. Mill Creek Fish Passage
6. Wenatchee EDT
7. Peshastin Mill - Larsen Reach
8. Squilchuck Creek Fish Passage
9. Sleepy Hollow Side Channel
10. Monitor Side Channel
11. Goodwin Side Channel
12. Larsen Creek Tributary Enhancement
13. Lower Entiat Tributary Assessment
14. Chumstick Creek Fish Passage – Motteler Road
15. Sand Creek Fish Passage

16. The Ecology of Fear
17. Peshastin Creek Barrier Removal
18. Wenatchee Bull Trout Assessment

CAC members then discussed the value in having better sequencing with other funding sources (BPA, Trib Comm and PRCC, FBRB) so that during the CAC scoring meeting it was known if SRFB requests have been reduced or if specific projects were definitely being funded by other entities. This would allow the Chelan CAC to ensure that the SRFB allocation funded as many projects as possible. It was suggested RTT could score sooner, possibly allowing BPA to consider which projects it might fund sooner. Melody noted that staff have been looking at ways to better sequence the various funding sources and UCSRB will solicit input from the region on this during the annual LE debrief process.

CAC members discussed confusion about the monitoring projects, noting that it wasn't clear what these projects were going to achieve, or whether there was regional, agency, partner support for these monitoring projects. There was a suggestion that the RTT not include the monitoring projects in the list. Melody and Pete reminded the CAC that the SRFB allows, but does not require, a region to spend up to 10% of its project allocation on monitoring projects. Pete asked the group how they prefer to see monitoring projects in the future, particularly if there are multiple proposals.

There was discussion about historically funded projects that seem to be stalled or are not being constructed, and the CAC was interested in getting information on such projects, such as Icicle Creek, Boulder Field, Jones Shotwell. Maps showing projects implemented and planned would be valuable, too. Melody clarified that such maps can be made available to members as a follow up and provided at future CAC meetings.

CAC members also expressed concern about projects where landowners or managers have not been contacted, or where there is no support for projects evident. The Squilchuck project was an example raised by a CAC member as having no knowledge that any community outreach had been conducted. Another CAC member stated that it should be mandatory that such outreach has been conducted and the projects supported.

The Chelan CAC then adjourned to the Joint CAC meeting at 6:45