



REGIONAL TECHNICAL TEAM MEETING FINAL JANUARY 2025 MEETING SUMMARY

Date: Wednesday, 8 January 2025

Time: 9:00 AM to 11:20 AM

Location: Webinar

Members Present: Steve Fortney (Gray & Osborne Inc.), Tracy Bowerman (USFWS), John Arterburn (CTCR), John Crandall (Confluence Aquatics), Kate Terrell (USFWS), and Tracy Hillman (BioAnalysts Inc., Chair).

Others Present: Ariel Edwards (UCSRB), Tim Hanrahan (BPA), Amanda Ward (UCSRB), Ryan Niemeyer (UCSRB), and Meghan Camp (UCSRB).

Tracy Hillman reviewed the January RTT meeting agenda, and the agenda was approved by all RTT members present. Tracy Hillman reviewed the December draft meeting notes and RTT members present approved the notes.

RTT & UCSRB Updates

MaDMC Data Gaps Update

Ryan Niemeyer shared that he sent out a calendar invite for the MaDMC data gaps list review, which will occur on 30 January. Tracy Bowerman indicated that she would like to be included on the invite list. Ryan will add Tracy B to the MaDMC distribution list. On 30 January, the MaDMC will review the data gaps list and make recommendations to the RTT. Ryan hopes the RTT can review and approve the data gaps during their February meeting.

Decisions:

- None

Action Items:

- None

SRFB Grant Round and RCO Monitoring Grant Round

Ariel Edwards reviewed the schedule for the 2025 Grant Round (see Attachment 1). She first reviewed the Monitoring Grant Round requirements and schedule. She indicated that monitoring projects must request between \$5,000-\$300,000, and each region is limited to 2 proposals. Ariel reviewed the monitoring deadlines, noting that pre-applications are due on 12 March, and presentations will be given to the RTT on 25-26 March. Although the RTT scores do not directly affect which monitoring projects will receive funding, the RTT will score proposed monitoring projects and share those scores and comments with sponsors to help the sponsors improve their projects. RTT feedback will occur well before 1 May, when the sponsor applications need to be completed in PRISM. RCO Manual 18M has all the specifics about the monitoring program.

Important dates for the general 2025 Grant Round are provided in Attachment 1. Ariel said field tours will be on 5-8 May. The additional fourth day (8 May) is scheduled only if there are projects in all four sub-basins and an additional day is needed to review all projects. The RTT will score projects on 11 June during their regular RTT meeting. The CAC will review and score projects on 1 July. Ariel will reach out to the RTT to ask for a representative to join the CAC meeting.

Decisions:

- **None**

Action Items:

- **Ariel Edwards and Tracy Hillman will send out the final SRFB Grant Round Schedule**
- **Ariel Edwards and Tracy Hillman will send out all pertinent Monitoring Grant Round information.**

BPA Project Review

The RTT reviewed BPA Programmatic applications in a closed session.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am

Attachment 1

Upper Columbia SRFB 2025 Funding Schedule

Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Board Lead Entity, 2025

UPPER COLUMBIA SRFB/ TRIB 2025 FUNDING SCHEDULE * INCLUDING KEY MONITORING PROGRAM DATES				
DATE	ACTIVITY/MILESTONE	PARTICIPANTS	LOCATION	FACILITATOR/ COORDINATOR
FEBRUARY/MARCH				
February 11 (1-3:30pm)	Meeting: UC Region SRFB Kick-Off Meeting	LE, RTT, TRIB, Sponsors, RCO	Virtual	LE/RCO
March 12, COB	Monitoring project Letters of Intent due to RCO and LE coordinator	Sponsors, RCO, LE	Email	LE/RCO
March 12, COB	DEADLINE: Regional Project Pre-application (JotForm) submitted to Lead Entity *including Monitoring projects	Sponsors	Online/Email	LE
March 25, 26	Meeting(s): Sponsor Presentations to RTT *including Monitoring Projects	Sponsors, LE, RTT, TRIB, SRFB Review Panel, CAC	Virtual	LE/RTT/CAC
APRIL				
April 18, COB	DEADLINE: Complete applications due in PRISM	Sponsors, LE, RCO	PRISM	LE
MAY				
May 1, COB	Monitoring Deadline: complete applications due in PRISM	Sponsors, RCO	PRISM	RCO
May 5, 6, 7, & 8 (if necessary)	Tours: SRFB/TRIB Project Tours	Sponsors, LE, RTT, TRIB, SRFB SRP, CAC	TBD – Field tours & presentations	LE
	Wenatchee			
	Entiat			
	Methow			
	Okanogan			

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DATE	ACTIVITY/MILESTONE	PARTICIPANTS	LOCATION	FACILITATOR/ COORDINATOR
May 8	Action: TRIB reviews draft proposals	TRIB	TRIB	TRIB Chair
May 15	TRIB provides comments	TRIB	Email	TRIB Chair
May 21 & 22	Action(s): SRFB Review Panel reviews proposals;	SRFB Review Panel	N/A	N/A
May 27, COB	DEADLINE: Revised proposals due for regional RTT scoring and CAC ranking	Sponsors, LE, RCO, SRFB Review Panel, RTT, CAC, TRIB	PRISM	LE
May 30	First Comment Form: Sponsors receive SRFB *and Monitoring Review Panel project status (Clear, Conditioned, NMI or POC)	SRFB Review Panel, LE, Sponsors	Email/Prism	LE
JUNE				
June 9 or 10	Action: (optional) Discuss projects identified as conditioned, NMI or POC *including Monitoring	Sponsors, RCO, SRFB Review Panel, LE	Conference Call	LE/RCO
June 11	Action: RTT review/scoring	RTT, CAC, LE	RTT Meeting	RTT
June 12	Action: TRIB reviews final proposals	TRIB	TRIB Meeting	TRIB Chair
June 18	Action: TRIB Decisions	TRIB	Email	TRIB Chair

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DATE	ACTIVITY/MILESTONE	PARTICIPANTS	LOCATION	FACILITATOR/ COORDINATOR
June 23, NOON	DEADLINE: Final revised applications due in PRISM *including Monitoring	Sponsors, LE	PRISM	LE
June 24, 25 (evenings)	Presentations to Citizens: Okanogan/Chelan CAC's	Sponsors, CAC's, RTT, LE	TBD	LE
July 1 (evening)	Joint CAC SRFB final ranking	CAC's, LE	TBD	LE
JULY				
July 16 & 17	Action: SRFB Review Panel completes comments	SRFB Review Panel, RCO	N/A	RCO
July 25	Final Comment Form: Sponsors receive final SRFB Review Panel comments	SRFB Review Panel, LE, Sponsors	Email/Prism	SRFB Review Panel
AUGUST				
August 7	Deadline: Sponsors must accept SRFB Review Panel conditions *including Monitoring	Sponsors	Email/Prism	LE/RCO
August 8	Deadline: Regional Ranked List submitted to RCO	LE	PRISM	LE/RCO
August 13	Deadline: Regional Submittal	LE	Email	LE
SEPTEMBER				
September 2	Final grant report available for public review	RCO	Email	RCO
Sept 16 & 17	Action: SRFB Funding Decisions	SRFB	Olympia, WA	RCO

Acronyms

CAC- Citizen's Advisory Committee
 LE- Lead Entity Coordinator/Program
 PRISM – RCO's Application portal/ database
 RCO - Recreation and Conservation Office
 RTT- Upper Columbia Regional Technical Team
 SRFB - Salmon Recovery Funding Board
 SRFB Review Panel - State Review Panel
 TBD – To be determined
 TRIB- Tributary Committees
 UC- Upper Columbia Region
 UCSRB - Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Board

Timeline Legend	
Meetings	Blue
Deadlines	Red
Actions	Black
Monitoring Program	Gold