



Contact Information

2025 Upper Columbia Regional Project Pre-Application

* Pre-applications (SRFB & Monitoring) due March 12, 2025 (COB)

*Complete SRFB applications due in PRISM April 18, 2025 (COB)

*Complete Monitoring applications due in PRISM May 1, 2025 (COB)

*Revised SRFB proposals due in PRISM May 27, 2025 (COB)

*Final revised SRFB & Monitoring applications due in PRISM June 23, 2025 (noon)

Project Title	Nason Creek Acquisition
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Project Summary

Please provide a description or summary of the proposed project, including project goals. The goal of the project should be to solve identified problems by addressing the root causes. Then clearly state the desired future condition.

Chelan County Natural Resources Department (CCNRD) will acquire ~17 acres of land along Nason Creek in the Wenatchee Subbasin. The acquisition will protect the area from future development and associated impacts as well as allow for restoration of a significant portion of Nason Creek. The future condition will be a functioning riparian area and re-establishment of floodplain function.

Budget Request

Values MAY be duplicative and do not have to equal TOTAL anticipated budget in pre-application.

Anticipated Request - SRFB (standard round)	620000
Anticipated Request - SRFB Riparian Funding	300000
Tributary Committee - Anticipated or Actual	620000

Anticipated TOTAL Budget 620000

Project Location

Briefly describe the location of the project

The properties proposed for acquisition are located on Nason Creek in the Wenatchee Subbasin starting at RM 10.2 and ending at RM 10.6.

Latitude (decimal degrees) 47.774941

Longitude (decimal degrees) -120.823538

Project subbasin

Wenatchee Assessment Unit(s)

Does the proposed project span multiple assessment units?

Reach(es) Name Nason Creek Lower 9 and 10

Identify the reach(es) priority/ reach ranking. Note: If the project involves work in multiple reaches, select "Multiple" and include details in the text box that will appear below. Please reference the Prioritization Web Map: <https://prioritization.ucsrb.org/>.

Project Information

1. What species will the project benefit?

2. Select the project's objectives and the associated tracking metrics

Acquisition, Easements, Leases: Reporting Code

4. Does this project already exist in Salmon Recovery Portal or PRISM?

5. Has this project been submitted previously for funding through the SRFB and/or other process(es)?

6. What category is the project?

If applicable, what is the secondary project category?

Is the project eligible for Riparian Funding?

Design and Restoration Proposals

Assessment Proposals

Protection Proposals

7. What type of protection are you proposing?

8. Is this protection project associated with a current or future restoration project?

9. Placement - Does the project protect important high quality habitat and/or watershed processes and to what degree

The project will permanently protect 0.4 miles of a mix of high-quality riparian and floodplain habitat as well as some degraded riparian condition.

10. Freshwater Benefit - What would be the anticipated loss in survival, capacity or distribution for target species at the reach scale if the proposed area is not protected?

We would expect a loss of riparian area function, temperature increases and loss of floodplain function if the properties are not protected, negatively affecting the capacity of target species in this reach.

11. Threat - How imminent is the threat of habitat degradation to the proposed land if the project is not implemented?

The property is located in a desirable area and would likely, over time, be subdivided unto small lots, increasing human activity on the riparian and floodplain areas.

12. Conditions - Briefly describe if there are any conditions regarding the protection of the property that could limit the protection benefits

None.

13. Will there be public access?

14. Is the proposed acquisition area (that is applying for Riparian Funding) composed of 50 percent or less uplands, as per the UC riparian delineation?

Monitoring Proposals

Project Risk and Economic Benefits

1. What is the landownership?

2. Have you secured landowner participation in or acceptance for this project?

Yes

Please explain

Both landowners have expressed a desire to sell their properties for conservation and are aware of the funding application being submitted. One property owner has expressed a desire to sell their property exclusively to Chelan County.

3. Describe any land owner requirements (e.g., design elements, right-of-ways, access agreements, liability waivers, etc.) and if/how they could affect the project

None

4. Will the project raise potential concerns for interest groups (e.g., recreational users) or the community at large (including upstream/ downstream/ adjacent landowners)?

No

5. Who will have the responsibility to manage and maintain the project? What is the responsibility of current or future landowners?

Chelan County may partner with Chelan-Douglas Land Trust in the application.

6. Are other projects being proposed immediately upstream or downstream of worksite?

No

7. Please describe the risk of failure associated with this project.

None

8. Is there any public outreach planned during and/or after implementation? Does the project build community support for salmon recovery efforts?

No. There is local interest in seeing these properties acquired for conservation.

9. Does the project represent an opportunity for economic benefit? How much benefit does the project create for the dollars invested?

There will be economic benefit from contributing to the continued survival of ESA-listed species as well as economic benefit from public access to the property for educational, scientific and research purposes.

10. Describe any partnerships, their experience, and types of contributions supporting the project.

Chelan County may partner with the Chelan-Douglas Land Trust on this acquisition. CDLT is well-know regionally for their experience owning and managing conservation properties.

Optional Section - Preparation for PRISM (SRFB applications only)

The following questions are identical to the questions RCO requires in the PRISM application for SRFB projects. If desired, sponsors can complete associated questions early and copy responses into PRISM during the "Complete Application" phase due on April 18, 2025.

*please note, this section is not applicable for Monitoring proposals

Do you want to review and/or pre-populate PRISM questions?

No

Supporting Documents

[Upper Columbia Process Guide 2025](#)

[SRFB Manual 18 \(2025\)](#)

[RCO Application Resources \(2025\)](#)