

**Chelan County Voluntary Stewardship Program
VSP Work Group meeting
Tuesday, August 3, 2021
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
MEETING NOTES**

Summary: Follow-up actions

Item	Follow-up
Submit biennial report	Lisa will send around the revised report and work with Mike and Hannah to submit the report to the State Conservation Commission and County Commissioners.
Poll for next meeting in September	Hannah to send an email for the next meeting.

The meeting began at 1:00 p.m. This was a call-in meeting and no physical presence occurred (Governor’s coronavirus requirements). An online meeting platform was used.

Public Comment

No member of the public was online to offer comment.

Main Topics

Biennial Report – Draft for Work Group Review/Authorization to Submit by 8/30: Lisa paged through the biennial report draft. Britt requested the level of detail on the areas of riparian gain and loss show information up front in the report similar to the tables in the appendix. Also, the countywide gain/loss should be shown if part of the benchmark, or for informational purposes. Amanda asked if the mapping information on the riparian imagery analysis could be shared with WDFW. Lisa identified the link to the online map in the biennial report. Amanda clarified that the WDFW review would be to support the next 5-year report/monitoring and is not meant to change the timeline for the biennial report submittal. Britt asked the Work Group if there were any objections to authorizing submittal of the report to the State Conservation Commission (SCC) with the added information requested. There being no objections the submittal was authorized by consensus. Bill reminded the work group that the submittal also needs to be sent to the County (e.g. County Commissioners) as well as the SCC. Lisa will send around the revised report and work with Mike and Hannah to submit the report.

General project updates: Mike indicated that there were no new project updates. However, he suggested some confirmation of policies and the chair position. Regarding the chair position, Mike suggested that Britt be reconfirmed as chair, and Vicki agreed. Mike reminded the work group of policies such as cost shares for smaller projects (e.g. less than \$5,000) being up to 100%, and other cost shares being determined by work group vote. Pre-project approvals would come to the work group with specific proposals. The work group by consensus reconfirmed Britt

as chair and a carry forward of the same policies on cost shares and projects/pre-project approvals. With no objections the work group authorized the chair and policies as proposed.

Outreach – discussion of next biennium’s early outreach: Mike thinks this is a good topic for the next meeting when they will have a new staff person that will help develop projects.

Other Items and Updates: Bill Eller indicated that the work group can meet with Technical Panel members. It can be scheduled between fall 2021 through January 2022. Mike suggested this be scheduled after they on board new staff in September.

Next meeting date: September TBD

Wrap-up and Adjourn:

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Britt Dudek, Chair	Vicki Malloy, Farm Bureau
Lisa Grueter, Berk Consulting	Graham Simon, WDFW
Mike Kaputa, Chelan County	Amanda Barg, WDFW
Bill Eller, SCC	