

Kittitas County Voluntary Stewardship Program



Watershed Group Meeting

January 14, 2022 10AM to Noon

Armory Room A, Kittitas Valley Event Center

Or virtually via Zoom platform at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83881222068?pwd=ZEtac2VEbGpUd1N0d0gzeE4wWkR5Zz09>

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Review Meeting Minutes

- July 23, 2021



Watershed Group Membership

Watershed Group Members	Representative Group	Alternate
Terry Clarke	Kittitas County Cattlemen's Association	
Mark Charlton	Kittitas County Farm Bureau	Brad Haberman
Brian Cortese	Kittitas County Hay Grower's Association	
Kevin Eslinger	Kittitas Reclamation District	Urban Eberhart
Jack Clerf	Cascade Irrigation District	
Lila Hanson	Dryland Operator	
Karen Poulsen	Lower County Operator	
Jim Miller	Upper County Operator	
Matthew Cox	Small Acreage	
Bambi Miller	Small Acreage (Organic)	
Phil Rigdon	Yakama Nation	John Marvin
Dale Rusho	Swauk Teanaway Grange	
Justin Bezold	Trout Unlimited	Erin Eaton
Kevin Haydon	Washington Water Trust	
Mitch Long	Kittitas Conservation Trust	



Financial Assistance

- **Cost Share Opportunities**

- EQIP WaterSMART
- RCPP (pending)

- **Construction**

- Fish Barrier Removal Board
- Salmon Recovery Funding Board

- **VSP Funding Assistance**

- Native Planting projects

2017 RCPP Project Draft Summary

Practice	Units	RCPP Contracts	Contributed Funds Actions	Total
430- Irrigation Pipeline	Ft	78,582	36,968	115,550
533- Pumping Plant	No	28	14	42
449- Irrigation Water Management	Ac	2,491		2,491
442- Sprinkler System	Ac	1739	638	2377
587- Structure for Water Control	No	19	7	26
Water Well			1	1
Fish Passage Barriers	No		7	7
Irrigation Diversions - Fish Screens	No		15	15
Power contracts	No		15	15
Riparian Planting	Ac		5	5
Canal Lining	Ft		4,473	4,473
Monitoring Wells	Each		4	4



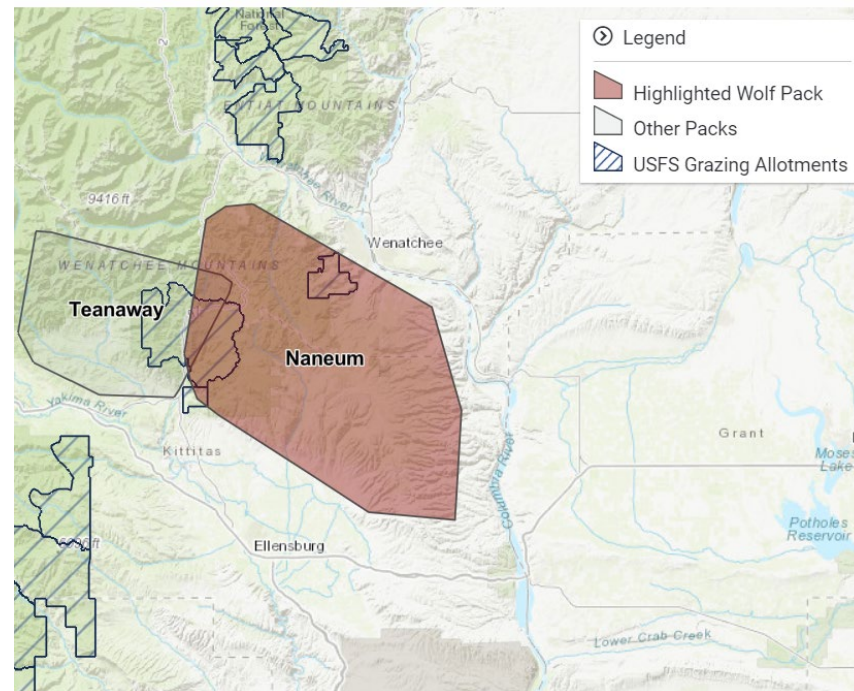
Monitoring Activities

- Water Quality Data



Discussion Topics

- Carcass Dumping/Compost Facility



Discussion Topics

- Kittitas County Critical Areas Ordinance Update

17A.01.030 Applicability

1. Except as provided in subsection 3 and 4 below, the provisions of this Title shall apply to any alteration or development within the unincorporated portion of Kittitas County, and outside of Shoreline jurisdiction, as determined by the Shoreline Master Program (KCC Title 17B). No development shall be constructed, located, extended, modified, converted, or altered, or land subdivided without full compliance with this Title.
2. Compliance with these regulations does not remove an applicant's obligation to comply with applicable provisions of any other Federal, State, or local law or regulation.
3. Private lands where existing agricultural activities are conducted, as defined in RCW 90.58.065, within the Upper Yakima and Alkali-Squilchuck WRIAs are managed by the Kittitas County Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP), and not regulated by this Title.
4. Any activities, alterations or development located within any Shoreline of the State within the unincorporated portion of Kittitas County are subject to the provisions of the Shoreline Master Program (KCC Title 17B) and not this Title.



State Technical Panel and Statewide Advisory Committee

- February 10, 2022 10:30 am
 - Opportunity to discuss the county's VSP implementation efforts with the Statewide Advisory Committee and Technical Panel as we continue to implement VSP and in anticipation of the next 5YR report submittal in 2025.

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Vacant - Commission is seeking appointees	Vacant - Commission is seeking appointees
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Tribes	
Vacant - Commission is seeking appointees	David Troutt Director, Dept of Natural Resources Nisqually Indian Tribe 12501 Yelm Highway SE Olympia, Washington 98513 (360) 438-8687 Troutt.david@nisqually-nsn.gov Appointed February 3, 2012



Action Register

