Kittitas County Voluntary Stewardship Program

Watershed Group Meeting

February 17, 2023 10AM to Noon KCCD Conference Room

Or virtually via Zoom platform at:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83415673095?pwd=eVR1Z09LeWNCM0xBT2wwR25JVndnUT09

Meeting ID: 834 1567 3095 **Meeting Passcode:** 597406

Dial in: +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Review Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2023



Watershed Group Membership

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



Financial Assistance

- Cost Share Opportunities
 - EQIP WaterSMART
 - RCPP (February 24, 2023 Sign-Up Deadline)
- VSP Funding Assistance
 - Native Planting projects
- Conservation Commission Salmon Recovery Funding
 - Native Planting Projects
- Sustainable Farms & Fields
 - FY24 Funding Solicitation



Discussion Items

- HB 1720 2023-24 Concerning the protection and restoration of riparian areas through the establishment of a fully voluntary, regionally focused riparian grant program designed to improve the ecological functions of critical riparian management zones
 - Directs the State Conservation Commission to develop and implement a riparian grant program to fund protection and restoration of critical riparian management zones.
 - Establishes requirements and conditions for the award of riparian grants.
 - Establishes the salmon riparian habitat policy task force within the Governor's Salmon Recovery Office to monitor and review the implementation and successes of the riparian grant program.
 - Requires the task force to submit an annual report to the Legislature beginning in 2025 that includes updates on the successes of the riparian habitat restoration achieved through the riparian grant program and any recommended policy changes to the grant program necessary to further protect and restore salmon habitat.



Monitoring

- Waterway mapping
- Soil Health WSDA Application for Sampling
- 2022 Water Quality Monitoring Results Kittitas County Water Purveyors



Review Goals & Benchmarks and Adaptive Management

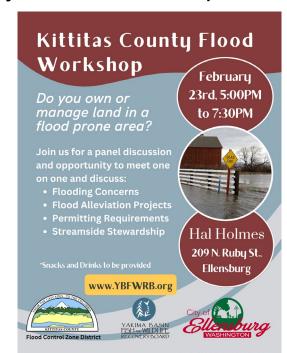
Updating based on accomplishments to date and expected practice implementation

Management Man	ning Remaining d to needed to meet 2025 Proposed Enhancement tion Objectives
Practice Montagement Mon	
Management Shutchiest Management Shutchiest Management Shutchiest Management Shutchiest Management Man	78 2,852
1999 1999	
Practice 44. Microemption 44. Microemptio	1,161
1999 1999	
Management Man	21 78,665
Number Name againment Practices Number	
Management Practices World Software applications should be original properties World World Management World Management World Management Practices World Management Practices World Management Practices Management Management Practices Management Management Practices Management Management Management Practices Management Manage	
Natingement Practices World Springer applications, 5th after one presence or patture green up	04 300
No. 1999 Pert Management No. 1997 Pert Management 1999	
295 Fest Management Pest	
1997 Part Management Par	
Part Management Practices Management Practices Management Practices Management Practices Management Ma	
All	18 415
Soil Management	
329 No -Till 340 Cover Crop 340 Co	
Soil Management Practices Similar Practices Similar Simila	
Soil Management Fractices ENR12 Use of legume cover crops as a nitrogen source 886 ac 6,143 ac 13,075 1,424 17,550 2,279 43,930	
Practice Practice Practice State Sta	30 2,196
April	2,230
Management Practices 230 Ange Planding 225 sc 1,786 sc 4,131 351 2,552 450 4,227 47.4 -3728.8	
Management Practices	
Practices Almost and Almo	
Management Structural	8.4 49.0
Structural 374 Spring Development 2 facilities 41 facilities 42 3 58 3 55 9 -48	
Practices 544 Stock Water Pacifiery	4
1997 1997	•
Habitat Management Management Practices	
Habitat Management Practices	
Habitat Management Fractices	
Management Practices Practices St.2 (rec)since statistiment (upsine in Practices Social Statistiment (parties Plantings) Social Statistiment (part	
10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	.2 4.8
Set Sectoration of Rare & Declining Habitats 209 144	
Structural 350 Stru	
Structural 350 Stru	
Structural 780 Streambank and Shoreline Protection 172 m 3,813 m 4751 267 5,448 293 5,448 400 4,658	
Practices 384	
Stream Enhancement Structural Structural Structural Structural Structural Structural Structural Structural	8 297
Structural Structural 305 Anuatic Country Coun	$\overline{}$
	5
387 Structure for Water Control (Fish Screen)	



Roundtable

- KCCD
 - Election (March 7th)
 - Annual Meeting March 2nd (RSVP by 2/24)
- Kittitas County Flood Workshop February 23rd





Action Register

- Next Meeting March?
 - Final Changes to Goals and Benchmarks
 - Fish Data

