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Walla Walla Regional Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Update
Project Management Team Meeting
June 14, 2016 - Walla Walla Public Health and Legislative Building,
314 West Main, Room 203, Walla Walla

NOTE: All documents connected with the agenda for this meeting, as well as all documents related to this project, were previously placed on the county's website for easy public access, AND made available to project team members in advance.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by team member County Commissioner Johnson.

Roll call was held as follows:

Project Team members present:

Representing Walla Walla County	Jim Johnson, Commissioner
Representing City of Walla Walla	Elizabeth Chamberlain, Dev. Services Dept. Director
Representing City of Prescott	Chuck Kimzey, City Council Member
Project Team Leader	Bill Stalzer

Team members absent/excused:

Representing City of Waitsburg	KC Kuykendall, City Council Member
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A quorum was established.

Others present/in the audience:

Lauren Prentice, Principal Planner, Walla Walla County Community Development Dept.
One member of the public

There were no conflicts of interest.

There was no public comment.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Stalzer proposed to add two items to the agenda: (5.) the contract with The Watershed Company and (6.) the Intergovernmental Agreement.

MOTION: To approve the agenda with the two additional items described above, by Elizabeth Chamberlain; seconded by Chuck Kimzey. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the May 3 meeting by Elizabeth Chamberlain; seconded by Chuck Kimzey. Motion passed unanimously.

Project Team Leader Report

1. Year 3 Grant Budget Update

Mr. Stalzer reviewed his memorandum on the status of the grand budget, stating that overall things are in better shape than he thought last month. He said that if there is a deficit, it will be small. He also explained that expenses were higher in May than expected due to the number of public comments submitted during the public hearing process and the length of the public hearing process. He also explained that he had to spend a lot of time helping Prescott and Waitsburg through their adoption process.

2. Status of adoption for each jurisdiction

Mr. Stalzer explained that all four jurisdictions have completed the adoption process of their draft SMPs for submittal to the Department of Ecology for review; only copies of the signed ordinances are needed from each jurisdiction.

3. Status of final submittal to Ecology

Mr. Stalzer explained that once The Watershed Company has all the documents that need to be submitted to Ecology it will take them about a week to organize and compile everything. The target to do this is June 30th, although Ecology has already agreed to extend the deadline to July.

4. User's Guide update

Mr. Stalzer explained that Ecology does not have a lot of money in their budget for grants for this type of thing and that his idea is to make this a web-based, interactive guide with a lot of illustrations. Hopefully this would be a unique approach and would be something portable to other jurisdictions, making it more competitive for State support. More information will be provided at a future meeting.

5. The Watershed Company Contract

The contract with The Watershed Company (TWC) expires on September 30th. It is unlikely that the Ecology review process will be completed by then, so the contract may need to be extended so that TWC can help respond to any comments that result from State review. Bill mentioned that despite some surprises during the update process that caused additional tasks and expenses not planned for, including evaluations of Whetstone Hollow, Dry Creek and Yellowhawk Creek, The Watershed Company has completed all tasks to date under budget and within the deadlines in the Agreement.

6. Intergovernmental Agreement

The intergovernmental agreement expires on December 1st. Bill Stalzer pointed out that this may need to be extended in order to respond to State comments or to work on the User's Guide.

Next Project Management Team Meeting

The next meeting is unscheduled.

Public Comment

Nancy Ball said she wishes that there was something online for the public to see specific differences between the old SMPs and the new ones. Bill Stalzer responded that this would be extremely difficult because there are numerous differences between the old versions and the new ones due to the number of years between the two versions and the changes in State regulations.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Johnson at 4:47 p.m.