**WRIA 14 SRFB 2016 Round**

**Technical Advisory Group Project Reviewer Scoresheet**

**ACQUISITION PROJECTS**

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| Applicant : | Project Title: |
| Reviewer: | Date: |
| TOTAL SCORE: /65 | RANK: |

*General Guidance: A higher score equals a greater benefit to salmon.*

*A note from Scott Steltzner on Squaxin Island Fisheries priorities:*

The Squaxin Island Tribe Natural Resources Department supports the salmon habitat protection and restoration strategy adopted by WRIA 14. The Tribe views this document as an important step that will lead to true recovery plans for the WRIA’s ecosystem.

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council has mandated that all species and their habitat be recovered to sustainable and harvestable levels. However, the Council recognizes that faced with limited resources prioritization must occur at the species, geographic or project level. Tribal priority species for salmonids which are mirrored in the strategy include chum, coho, cutthroat and steelhead for freshwater systems and chum, coho, cutthroat, steelhead and Chinook for marine waters.

The Tribe looks forward to working with our partners at the State and local level in taking the next step of using the information contained in the strategy to devise true ecosystem recovery plans.

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| **GENERAL STREAM PRIORITY** | **Tier** |  |  |
|  | **A** | **B** | **C** |
|  | Cranberry | Campbell | Pickering Passage Tribs |
|  | Deer | County Line | Shelton |
|  | Goldsborough | Hiawata | Uncle Johns |
|  | Gosnell / Mill | Lynch |  |
|  | Johns | Malaney |  |
|  | Kennedy | Schneider |  |
|  | Schumocher / Sherwood | Snodgrass |  |
|  | Skookum |  |  |

**Action and Areas** *Choose the option that fits best*

* Is the project occurring in a high priority area for restoration as indicated by relevant nearshore documents, as identified within relevant nearshore studies, or occurs in a Tier A stream? *If yes, 5 points.*
* Is the project occurring in a medium priority area for restoration as indicated by the nearshore project selection tool or in a Tier B stream? *If yes, 3 points.*
* Is the project occurring in a low priority area for restoration as indicated by the nearshore project selection tool or in a Tier C stream? *If yes, 1 point.*

*Five points possible*

**Habitat Features and Processes** *Choose the option that fits best*

* More than 60% of the total project area proposed for SRFB/PSAR funding intact habitat (not degraded), or if less than 60% the project must be a combination restoration project. *5 points*
* 40% - 60% of the total project area proposed for SRFB/PSAR funding intact, or if less than 40% the project must be a combination restoration project. *3 points*
* Has not been proven to address an important habitat condition. *1 point*

*Five points possible*

**Scientific**

1. Is there a direct and tangible benefit to salmon? *4 points*
2. Is the site identified on the 4-YWP, through an assessment or scientific opinion? *3 points*

*Seven possible points*

**Feasibility**

1. Can the project as it is proposed accomplish the identified objective?

*Yes=1, no=0*

1. Does the sponsor have the necessary expertise in this area to accomplish the project objective? *Yes=1, no=0*

*Two possible points*

**Species**

1. Is there documented fish habitat in the project area? *Yes=3, no=0 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*
2. Does the project support Squaxin Island Tribal fish priorities? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Yes=3, no=0

1. Does the project support multiple salmonid species? *Give one point for each salmonid species benefitting from*

*this project, maximum of four points possible: chum, Coho, Chinook, pink, sockeye, cutthroat, combine Steelhead and cutthroat. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*10 points possible*

**Life History** *Choose the option that fits best*

* The project addresses an important life history stage or habitat type that limits the productivity of the salmonid species in the area and/or the project addresses multiple life history requirements. *5 points*
* The project addresses fewer life history stages or habitat types that limit the productivity of salmonid species in the area or addresses fewer life history requirements. *3 points*
* It is unclear if the project addresses salmonid life history stages.0-*1 point*

*Five points possible*

**Cost**

1. In your professional opinion, does the project represent a sound investment of public funds? 4 *points*
2. Does the project have a low to reasonable cost relative to the predicted benefits?

*3 points*

1. Is the costhigh relative to the predicted benefits of the project?

*0-1 point*

*Seven possible points*

**Approach** *Choose the option(s) that fits best*

* Is the proposed implementation method consistent with proven scientific methods? *3 points – choose this option or the one below*
* If the project is implementing a new, innovative approach, does it have an adaptive management plan? *3 points – choose this option or the one above*
* Will the project serve as an effective demonstration project? *1 point – can be stand alone or in tandem with the approaches listed above.*

*Four points possible*

**Sequence** *Choose the option that fits best*

* Is the project in the correct sequence and is independent of other actions being taken first? *5 points*
* Is the project dependent upon actions being taken first that are outside the scope of the proposal? *3 points*
* Is the project out of sequence with other protection and restoration actions? *0-1 point*

*Five points possible*

**Threat**

1. Is the habitat threatened if the project does not proceed this year? *0-5 points possible*

*Five points possible*

**Stewardship Capacity** *Choose the option that fits best*

* The proposal clearly describes and funds stewardship of the area for more than

10 years. *5 points*

* The proposal describes but does not fund stewardship of the area for more than 10 years. *3 points*
* The proposal does not describe or fund stewardship of the area. *0-1 point*

*Five points possible*

**Implementation** *Choose the option that fits best*

* Actions needed to implement the project are scheduled, funded (if applicable), and ready to take place and have few or no known constraints to successful implementation. *5 points*
* The project has few known constraints to successful implementation. *3 points*
* Actions are unscheduled, unfunded, and not ready to take place and/or have several constraints to successful implementation. *0-1 point*

*Five points possible*

**GRAND TOTAL:**