**WRIA 14 SRFB 2016 Round**

**Technical Advisory Group Project Reviewer Scoresheet**

**PLANNING / ASSESSMENT 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 |  |  |

**Meets SRFB Fundability Criteria** *Choose the option that fits best*

* Project will fill a priority data gap that is identified in the lead entity strategy and the data gap clearly limits subsequent project identification or development. *3 point*
* The project will lead directly to project identification and/or development in the near future. *3 point*
* If designs are a component of the project, it is identified how many designs will be completed and to what level they will be developed. *1 point*

*Seven points possible*

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

* The project is crucial to understanding watershed processes, is directly relevant to project development or sequencing, and will clearly lead to new projects in high priority areas. *5 points*
* The project will lead to new projects, in moderate priority areas, and is independent of other key conditions being addressed. *3 points*
* The project has not been proven to address an important habitat condition. *0-1 point Five points possible*

**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*

**Scientific**

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

*Six possible points*

**Species**

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, Steelhead / rainbow trout, pink, sockeye, and cutthroat.*

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

*10 possible points*

**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? 0-*4 points*
2. Does the project have a low to reasonable cost relative to the predicted benefits?

*0-3 points*

*Seven possible points*

**Approach** C*hoose the option(s) that fits best*

* Is the approach consistent with scientific methods? *5 points*
* Project uses scientific methods that may have been tested but the results are incomplete. *3 points*
* Project uses methods that have not been tested or proven effective in past uses. *0-1 point*

*Five points possible*

**Appropriate** *Choose the option that fits best*

* The project scope is appropriate to meet its goals and objectives. *5 points*
* The scope is moderately appropriate to meet its goals and objectives. *3 points*
* It is unclear how the goals and objectives will be met. *0-1 point*

*Five 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*

**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:**