

## **Notes from Coordinating Committee Meeting, March 5, 2019**

In attendance from the Coordinating Committee were Alan Fujishin, Kaety Jacobson, and Kim Ogden. Tim Gross and Emily-Bell Dinan joined later. Lee Ann Prchal also attended.

### **Update on Preparations for April 23<sup>rd</sup> Partnership Meeting**

The next Partnership Meeting will be on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and will be hosted by the Municipal Working Group. Others might be called upon to help.

We need to send out an email blast primarily to let people know the date. This is also a great opportunity to let people know any other pertinent information and updates. Please send information and updates to Lee Ann for the email blast that will go out by early next week.

### **Working Group Updates and Needs**

Self-Supplied – Alan reported that at their last meeting the Self-Supplied WG had presentations from the Oregon Water & Resources Department about water rights and regulations and from OSU on well safety and stewardship. Their next meeting will be March 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the Newport Public Library in the conference room downstairs. There are no formal presentations scheduled at this time. They will work exclusively on their Learning in Action plans. Alan isn't aware of any requests from this group for the Coordinating Committee. They are waiting on some grant announcements.

Muni – Alan knows they have been meeting, but he doesn't have an update on them.

The instream/Ecology group meets later today. Their last meeting was a positive one, getting the gang back together and taking stock of the information that Wayne Hoffman had left on his departure and further refining that into an action plan around Step 3, characterizing current and future water needs. Representatives from various agencies were in attendance, so they are getting a lot of institutional support. A work plan is being formed. Alan is going to try to attend this meeting and will take notes. Emily-Bell will be the Coordinating Committee representative in this WG.

### **Coordinating Committee Membership**

Alan reported that he has not secured anyone to represent business or student. He realized there is another vacancy, which is ODF&W. John Spangler is not able to commit. He does feel that while there is not a specific agency, there is still representation for fish and wildlife in the group.

Tim joined in at this time and suggested Walter Chuck. He said that Walter is not ODF&W but represents wildlife issues in other organizations. Alan will pursue this suggestion.

Emily-Bell joined the call at this time.

### **Partner Stipends**

Alan will send a letter to the Midcoast Watersheds Council.

### **Legislative Update & Coordination**

There is a Subcommittee of the Ways and Means on Natural Resources hearing on Thursday at 1:00 pm. Kim said that yesterday and today, the Department is presenting its budget, which includes Policy Option Package 101 that would support the Place Based Planning groups, and then public testimony will be on Thursday at 1:00. Alan said that none of our conveners can go attend this. It was suggested that we ask Jim Tooke. Tim agreed that Jim would be a good person to testify. Alan said he will ask him.

Alan also said that written testimony is being put together in support of the policy option package. Kim suggested adding to the written testimony that they had hoped to come but couldn't with the schedule change.

### **Budget/Funding Updates**

Tim said that OCF has said they have funds available but they haven't come through. He will follow up with them. Tim said that the partners need to be asked to contribute. Also, the Newport City Council wants Tim to ask other cities to contribute at a higher level. Alan said he is on other committees and will do a general ask. Tim also said that we need to ask before the next Partnership Meeting because April 23<sup>rd</sup> is too late. He said he has a chart that shows expected giving amounts, high, medium, and low. He said this will help give an idea for donation amounts. Tim said we need to raise funds to make it to the finish, and he has these needed amounts. Alan said he would put it on the agenda for the next Partnership Meeting Planning Committee.

### **Update on Project Coordinator Position**

Tim wanted to know when we will advertise for the position. Alan said that Adam sent the job description out for comments. He hasn't heard any more since. Tim said that there is no one to partner with, so we need to get it finalized and advertised. Alan said he would talk to Adam. Kaety said that she can promote it on OWEB job listings.

Since there were no other topics, meeting was adjourned. The next Coordinating Committee Meeting will be April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Hatfield Marine Science Center – Barry Fisher Room from 9:00 am – noon.