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North Fork Payette River Watershed Coalition USBR WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program

STEERING COMMITTEE KICKOFF MEETING

Date: June 20, 2023

Time: 10:00 am MST

Location: Valley Soil & Water Conservation District Office - 209 North Idaho St. Cascade, ID

For those attending remotely: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81860832948?pwd=RXRidE5ZeFdZQ1NSczl4enM5enZkUT09>

Meeting ID: 818 6083 2948 Passcode: 974306

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Meeting called by: Valley Soil & Water Conservation District (VSWCD)

Committee Attendees:

Susan Bechdel - Big Payette Lake Water Quality Council, bechdelsusan@gmail.com

Ken Roberts - Local Rancher and Businessman, kenaroberts@hotmail.com

Julie Manning - Sawtooth Law Group, LLC, j4manning@yahoo.com

Lenard Long - Friends of Lake Cascade, lenard.long@gmail.com

Lance Holloway - IDEQ, Lance.Holloway@deq.idaho.gov

Melissa Jayo - USBR, mjayo@usbr.gov

Judy Nissula - City of Cascade mayor, mayor@cascadeid.us

Durena Farr - Project Manager, Durena.Farr@id.nacdnet.net

Kaylee Tuning - Project Administrator, kayleetuning@gmail.com

Contributing Invitees to attend the initial meeting:

Wes Keller - Nez Perce Tribe Watershed Project Leader

Dave Bingaman - Valley Co, dbingaman@co.valley.id.us

McKenzie Kraemer - Micael McKenzie Creations Inc.

David Nichols - Sisu Consulting & Training, Facilitator

Other Team Members:

Kara Utter - Dynamic Visions GIS

VSWCD Board Supervisors

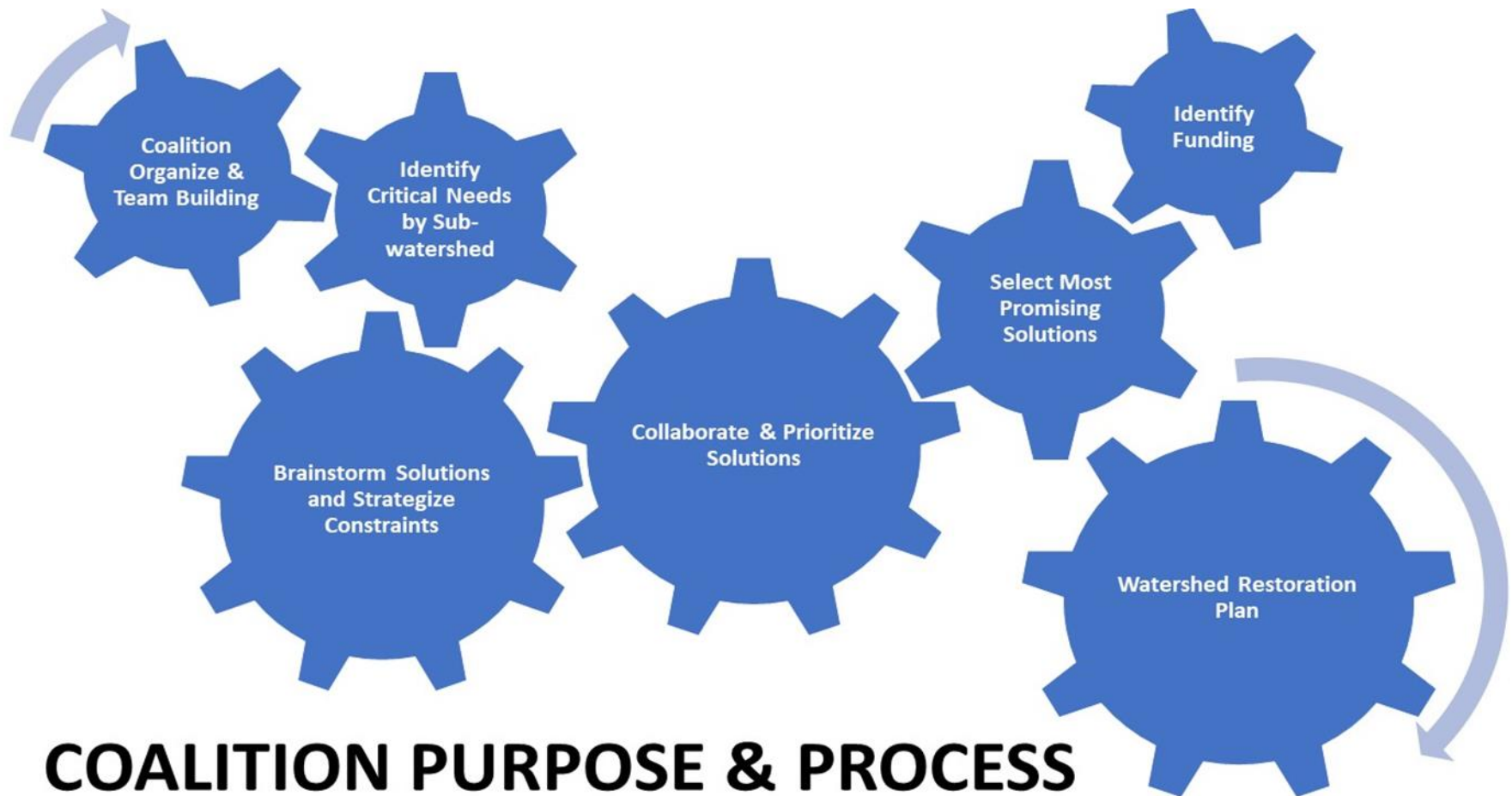
In preparation for the meeting please review: VSWCD GRANT PROPOSAL for North Fork Payette River (NFPR) Watershed Coalition and Restoration Plan (copy attached).

Purpose of the NFPR Watershed Coalition: to address watershed and water quality issues within the North Fork Payette River (NFPR) watershed. The NFPR watershed, critical to local, domestic, agricultural, and recreational water use, has been impacted by nutrient loading which contributes to harmful algae blooms that threaten the health of water users and wildlife. Under the umbrella of the Valley Soil and Water Conservation District, the Coalition will represent public land and resource managers, municipalities, Idaho Power, irrigators, livestock grazing, recreationists, private developers and landowners, and the general public. The new watershed group will recruit a diverse set of stakeholders to coordinate various interests in the development of a North Fork Payette River Watershed Restoration Plan.

Steering Committee Purpose: to provide advice, input on coalition meeting agendas, and guidance to the coalition to keep on track with grant requirements and achievement of project goals.

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DISCUSSION TOPICS:

1. **Self-Introductions and Team Building chit-chat** (All, 15-20 minutes)
 2. **Recent Issues to Discuss** (25 minutes)
 - Little Salmon River Watershed Collaborative - lessons learned (Wes Keller, 15 minutes)
 - 2022 Lake Cascade Monitoring Report by DEQ (Lenard, 2 minutes)
 - North Watershed Issues (Julie and Dave, 5 minutes) i.e. Brush Creek 319 grant
 - Source water priority area designation of NF Payette River Watershed by NRCS (Durena, 2 mins)
 3. **Review Grant Task A - Watershed Group Development.** (Lenard, 5 minutes)
Organization and facilitation of coalition-building meetings.
 - Development of a mission with goals, bylaws, protocols, organizational chart and milestone mapping.
 - Team building and skill sharing including a field trip to observe watershed impairments.
 - Outreach to establish diverse membership, including diversity in each watershed segment, and build various focus teams.
 - Creation of a recruitment team with outreach plan and information materials (e.g. brochures, advertisements, Facebook, etc.)
 4. **Program Needs** (Durena, 5 minutes)
 - Website - McKenzie
 - VSWCD website will host NFPRWC information and updates
 - Watershed maps, community resources, meeting notices, minutes, and agendas
 - Volunteers, others?
 - Coalition outreach coordinator
 - Strategies reality checks: Various technical consultants
 - Document Specialist (proofing, edits, formatting, and publication)
 5. **Schedule Review:** (Lenard and Kaylee, 5 minutes)
- *Please see page 4 - Schedule for NFPR Watershed Coalition estimated schedule for grant events.*
6. **Initiate Recruitment for Coalition Members:** (5 minutes)
 7. **Action Items:** (10 minutes)
 - Next meeting date
 - Agenda for first Coalition meeting ... end of August

Total estimated meeting time = 75 min

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Coalition Schedule

