STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #11 Minutes



North Fork Payette River Watershed Coalition – A VSWCD Initiative USBR WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Grant

"To mobilize a diverse group of North Fork Payette River Watershed stakeholders to identify watershed challenges, develop Watershed Restoration Plan and identify funding sources for plan implementation."

Date/Time: February 5, 2024 | 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Location: Zoom & VSWCD Office

Purpose: Detail plan for Feb 15 NFPRWC workshop, plan layout and outreach for upcoming workshops **Minutes**

1. Discussion Items

- a. Feb 15 NFPRWC Workshop 4-6PM
 - Donnelly Bible Church is booked. There is wifi. Daina will record the meeting, manage the zoom call, and enable recording.
 - Dani Terhaar may be unavailable to give the IDEQ state of the watershed presentation. Lance Holloway might be able to fill in for Dani Terhaar if she cannot present at the meeting.
 - The coalition might reach out to Mike Polous to provide an update on the BoR study. The primary message needs to be on the history and current state of the watershed, even if it is not by IDEQ.
 - Lance Holloway needs to be informed and invited to speak at Feb 15.
 - Jim Pace can do word cloud presentation work later on. The word cloud was removed from the agenda for the 15th until it is refined enough to present.
 - Dani Terhaar's new water quality report for this spring should go into future workshops.
 - Ken Roberts confirmed he can speak for History of the Watershed address.
- b. Review draft agenda and finalize details
 - Lenard Long added a list of potential topics for future workshops. This list has been added to the shared google drive. A sheet has been added to the master contact spreadsheet for speakers.
 - Art Troutner, Lance Holloway, Ken Roberts will give history presentation
 - Make a decision on hybrid format. Daina will set up a zoom audio option with chat monitored. Set up will start at 2PM at the Donnelly Bible Church.
 - Word cloud evolution should be tracked. No word cloud will be presented at upcoming workshop.
 - Outreach
 - Star-News draft is available to review. An initial event invitation has been sent to the email list (12 registrations so far).
 - Need to hang event posters. Social media will launch this week.
 - Cascade chamber of commerce has posted the workshop
 - Facebook event created
- b. Icebreaker activity: discussion groups with world cloud input or one-on-one activity?
 - agencies use informal breakouts and small discussion group format
 - participants will receive numbers and sit at different tables for share and report out

2. Unfinished Business

- a. Plan upcoming workshop content
 - April or May for next workshop
 - Target direction: SC need to decide what we want to accomplish in future meetings
 - Lenard created a list of topics for future workshop
 - SC will focus on future workshops covering: 1. History of where have we been and what has been done 2. Current status of the watershed. 3. Types of projects that could address current conditions. 4. Funding sources to address these types of projects."
 - seminars and deep dive opportunities can be brought up in breakout groups

- part of meeting times will focus on "What Happens Next?" and open time to discuss what breakout groups come up with
- SC can schedule talks on specific topics (webinars or workshop presentations from agencies) based on participant feedback

3. New Business

- a. Please email/upload/text photos from events to Daina Aguas for marketing
 - i. or add them to google folder
- b. Next workshop potential date is late April or May 23rd. Can cover:
 - i. water outlooks
 - ii. project inventory
- 4. Ken will give a 10 minute presentation on Feb 15 for watershed project background
 - a. Ken: community has to see progress in the coalition or they will drop out
- 5. Next SC meeting will debrief the Feb 15 workshop and plan for future meetings. Zoom invite to come.