# Updates on Salmon Habitat Recovery & Watershed Planning in the Klickitat & White Salmon Basins

#### Klickitat Lead Entity Organization

Primary Function:

Evaluate and Prioritize Projects for Grant Funding Through Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) Program.

 To Date: 34 Projects – Total \$5,815,661 in SRFB Grant Funding.

#### Klickitat Lead Entity Organization

- Lead Entity: Klickitat County.
- Klickitat Citizens Review Committee (CRC):
  - Citizens-Based Evaluation & Prioritization of Habitat Projects;
  - Adaptive Management Strategy; and
  - Habitat Work Schedule.
- Klickitat Technical Committee:
  - Provides Technical Support to CRC.

### 2009 SRFB Grant Cycle Funding Estimates

- State-Wide \$15 Million (Very Rough Estimate)
  - Federal Pacific Coast Salmon Recovery Funds
  - Washington State Funds
- Mid-Columbia Region \$1,480,000 (Estimate)
  - Klickitat River Basin \$590,000 (40%)
- Lower Columbia Region \$2,250,000 (Estimate)
  - White Salmon River \$112,500 (5%)

### 2009 SRFB Grant Cycle Application Materials

 Manual 18 Includes Grant Applications will be Available in May on Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Web Site:

http://www.rco.wa.gov/srfb/docs.htm

#### 2009 SRFB Grant Cycle

- Submit Applications via RCO's Online Database PRISM
  - http://www.rco.wa.gov/rco/prism/prism.htm
- Design Only Projects (up to \$200,000) No Match Requirement
  - All Other Projects 15% Match
- Combination Projects (Acquisition with Planning or Restoration Elements) 18 Months to Complete Acquisition.

#### SRFB Project Conference

 April 15-16 – Little Creek Conference Center in Shelton, WA

http://www.rco.wa.gov/srfb/conference.htm

#### **Grant Schedule -- Tentative**

- May 8: Submit Preliminary Application in PRISM.
- May 21: Preliminary Technical Evaluation.
- June 18: Project Tour and Technical Evaluation.
- July 10: Submit Complete Application
- July 23: Technical Ranking of Projects
- August 6: Present Project to CRC for Evaluation and Prioritization.
- September 1: Final Submission to SRFB via PRISM
- October 6: Draft Reviews Projects of Concern.
- Mid-October: Lead Entity/Recovery Organization Presentations to SRFB Review Panel.
- Mid-December: SRFB Funding Meeting.

### Klickitat Lead Entity Region Salmon Recovery Strategy

- Top Tier Actions and Areas Matrix
  - Prioritized River Reaches and Subbasins:
    - Rational for Reach/Subbasin Ranking;
    - Species and Life History Significance;
    - Limiting Habitat Factors;
    - Habitat Forming Processes;
    - Prioritized Actions/Needs;
    - Rational for Actions;
    - Community Interest (Supporting and Limiting).

#### Habitat Work Schedule

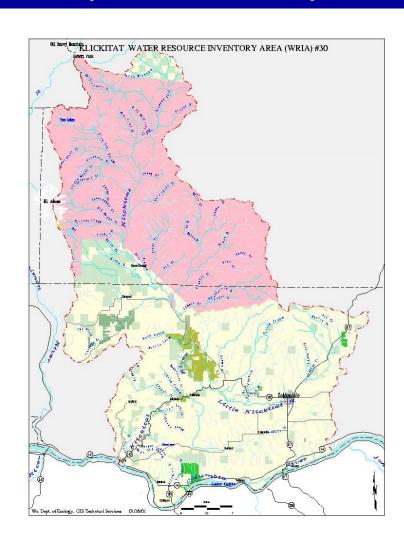
- Public Internet Portal
- Web-Enabled GIS Mapping Tools
- File Sharing
- Project Information, Maps, and Reports

http://hws.ekosystem.us/

## Watershed Planning Water Resource Inventory Area 30 (WRIA 30)

- Planning Elements:
  - Water Quantity (instream and Out-of-Stream);
  - Water Quality; and
  - Habitat.
- Watershed Management Plan Approved in 2006.
- Detailed Implementation Plan Approved in November 2008.

### Water Resource Inventory Area 30 (WRIA 30)



#### Water Quantity

- Priority Issues:
  - Current & Future Water Demand;
  - Climate Fluctuations & Water Availability;
  - Summer Stream Flow in Little Klickitat River.
- Strategies Include:
  - Surface & Ground Water Monitoring & Assessments;
  - Water Banking, Water Storage, Conservation, & Public Information.

#### Water Quality

- Priority Issues:
  - Little Klickitat River Temperature;
  - Nitrates in Ground Water;
  - Swale Creek Temperature;
  - Elevated Fecal Coliform Levels.
- Strategies Include:
  - Implement Little Klickitat River TMDL;
  - Develop Swale Creek Water Quality Improvement Plan;
  - Surface & Ground Water Monitoring & Assessments

#### Habitat

- Priority Issues
  - Fish Habitat Protection & Restoration; and
  - Potential Effects of Population Growth & Movement on Fish Habitat.
- Strategies Include:
  - Habitat Assessment & Monitoring to Guide Project
     Selection & Implementation (Adaptive Management);
  - Monitor Indicators e.g., Impervious Surface, Water Demand, Riparian Condition.

#### WRIA 29b Watershed Planning

 WRIA 29 Watershed Plan Completed in 2006, but Covers Only Western Half of WRIA.

 2007 Legislature Split Into WRIA 29a & WRIA 29b.

 Currently Trying to Initiate Planning for WRIA 29b – State Budget May Limit Progress for this Biennium.

#### Contacts

- Klickitat Lead Entity & WRIA 30
   Watershed Planning: Dan McCarty
  - -(509)773-2353
  - danmc@co.klickitat.wa.us
- WRIA 29b & 31 Planning: Dave McClure
  - -(509)773-2481
  - davem@co.klickitat.wa.us

http://www.klickitatcounty.org/NaturalR/