

Cooperative Monitoring, Evaluation and Research Committee

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 // 9:00AM – 4:00PM

Virtual Only

Motions	
Motion	Move/Second (Vote)
<p>November 2023 Meeting Minutes</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Mark Meleason moved to approve the November 2023 minutes with following edits.</p> <p>The motion passed</p>	<p>Seconded: Welles Bretherton</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, and Jenny Knoth.</p> <p>Absent: Harry Bell</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheet – UPSAG</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Aimee McIntyre moved to approve the UPSAG Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Julie Dieu</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheets – SAGE</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Welles Bretherton moved to approve the SAGE Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Mark Meleason</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheets – ISAG</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Mark Meleason moved to approve the ISAG Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Julie Dieu</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheets – LWAG</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Mark Meleason moved to approve the LWAG Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Welles Bretherton</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheets – RSAG</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p>	<p>Seconded: Mark Meleason</p> <p>Up:</p>

<p>Aimee McIntyre moved to approve the RSAG Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheets – Roads</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Jenny Knoth moved to approve the Roads Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Mark Meleason</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Project Summary Sheets – WetSAG</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Aimee McIntyre moved to approve the WetSAG Project Summary Sheet.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Julie Dieu</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, and Harry Bell.</p> <p>Abstain: Jenny Knoth</p>
<p>Anadromous Fish Floor (AFF) Project Team</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Aimee McIntyre moved to have ISAG work on winnowing the Project Team and work on the technical summary for TFW Policy Consideration that clarifies how the AFF validation study would best fit as a companion or add-on study to the existing Potential Habitat Breaks (PHB) study, including the recommended timeline for scoping and implementation to inform effective and efficient sequencing.</p> <p>Friendly Amendment from Chris Mendoza: moved to have ISAG work on winnowing the Project Team consistent with the PSM and work on the technical summary for TFW Policy Consideration that clarifies how the AFF validation study would best fit as a companion or add-on study to the existing Potential Habitat Breaks (PHB) study, including the recommended timeline for scoping and implementation to inform effective and efficient sequencing.</p> <p>Aimee McIntyre and Jenny Knoth accepted the friendly amendment.</p> <p>The motion passed</p>	<p>Seconded: Jenny Knoth</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p> <p>Abstain: Hans Berge</p>

<p>Unstable Slope Criteria Project 3 and 4 Prospective 6 Questions</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Jenny Knoth moved to approve the Unstable Slope Criteria Project 3 and 4 Prospective 6 Questions.</p> <p>The motion passed.</p>	<p>Seconded: Mark Meleason</p> <p>Up: Debbie Kay, Doug Martin, Mark Mobbs, Hans Berge, Julie Dieu, Chris Mendoza, Aimee McIntyre, Mark Meleason, A.J. Kroll, Harry Bell, and Jenny Knoth.</p>
<p>Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) – Sections 6 and 7</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> *** moved to approve the Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) – Sections 6 and 7</p> <p>The motion passed/failed</p> <p>Moved to next month</p>	<p>Seconded:</p> <p>Up:</p> <p>Down:</p> <p>Abstain:</p> <p>Absent:</p>

Action Items	
Action Items	Responsibility
Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) Section 8 and approval.	January Agenda
Start at Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) Section 7.8	January Agenda
Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) Sections 6 and 7 decision items.	January Agenda

Welcome, Introductions, & Old Business

A.J. Kroll, CMER co-chair

Natalie Church took roll call

Ground Rules

- Pursue win-win situations – Welles Bretherton
- Be well prepared: Be familiar with agenda and objectives. - Aimee McIntyre

Staff Updates

- Lori shared a reminder that the USGS Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Units Program will offer a two-day Structure Decision Making (SDM) workshop for all AMP participants April 9th-10th, 2024. All AMP participants are strongly encouraged to attend.
- Compass Resource Management is the contractor who will be facilitating SDM. They are the ones who authored A Practical Guide to Environmental Management Choices.

- A.J. Kroll acknowledged that the AMP program has had a lot of change over the past year including SAO recommendations advancements. He thanked Lori and her staff for keeping things in order and moving forward. He explained that Aimee and himself are going to be attending more of the SAG meetings to help address any issues happening during SAG meetings.

Public Comments

No public comments

TFW Policy Updates

Cody Thomas gave an update on what was discussed at the December 2023 Timber Fish and Wildlife (TFW) Policy Committee meeting.

Project Summary Sheet – UPSAG

Theryn Henkel shared the track changes version of UPSAG's Project Summary Sheet and reviewed the edits made.

Project Summary Sheets – SAGE

Jenny Schofield shared the track changes version of SAGE's Project Summary Sheet and reviewed the edits made to her projects and Anna Toledo reviewed the edits for her projects.

Project Summary Sheets – ISAG

Anna Toledo reviewed the edits made on the track changes version of ISAG's Project Summary Sheet.

Project Summary Sheets – LWAG

Jenny Schofield reviewed the edits made on the track changes version of ISAG's Project Summary Sheet.

Project Summary Sheets – RSAG

Alexander Prescott and Anna Toledo reviewed the edits made for their projects on the track changes version of RSAG's Project Summary Sheet. There was a brief discussion on what abstain means in the PSM Section 4 which was approved in September 2023.

Project Summary Sheets – Roads

Alexander Prescott reviewed the edits made on the track changes version of Roads' Project Summary Sheet.

Project Summary Sheets – WetSAG

Jenny Schofield reviewed the edits made on the track changes version of WetSAG's Project Summary Sheet.

Anadromous Fish Floor (AFF) Project Team

Anna Toledo gave a brief description of the request. Lori Clark suggested that the proposed list of project team members is too big to be an effective project team. Per the PSM, project teams are recommended to be 3-4 AMP participants plus a Project Manager and CMER scientist. She suggested that the recommended group of people form a workgroup to further refine the scope of the project and clarify how this project will fit with the other water typing projects, then we can decide what expertise is needed for a project team. Jenelle Black will not be able to support the Project Team/workgroup until the Westside Type F report is completed. CMER needs to decide and set a precedent with how to handle project teams requests from SAGs when they do not follow the PSM guidance.

There was discussion on whether to create a smaller project team or not because PHB and DPC have larger project teams as well. It was suggested to send the request back to the SAG and if they cannot dwindle down the project team then have CMER do so.

Aimee made a motion: ISAG will work on winnowing the Project Team consistent with the PSM and work on the technical summary for TFW Policy consideration that clarifies how the AFF validation study would best fit as a companion or add-on study to the existing Potential Habitat Breaks (PHB) study, including the recommended timeline for scoping and implementation to inform effective and efficient sequencing. The motion was approved.

SAG Verification – RSAG

A.J. Kroll explained that last month each SAG co-chair, except RSAG, gave a brief explanation for the SAG’s rationale on their decision. He explained now we will hear from Joe Murray to present RSAG’s rationale on their decision on these items. Live updates were completed in the Excel spreadsheet as needed.

Unstable Slope Criteria Project 3 and 4 Prospective 6 Questions

Theryn Henkel gave a brief description of the Unstable Slope Criteria Project 3 and 4 Prospective 6 Questions and what the request of CMER is today. She also explained that Dan Miller will be giving a presentation on this project to TFW Policy in February.

Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) - Finish Section 7

Lori Clark shared her screen and reviewed the unaddressed comments and edits for section 7 that was discussed at last month’s CMER meeting, starting with 7.4.4.

Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) - Sections 6 and 7

Lori Clark explained that the request today is to get approval of Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) Sections 6 and 7. It was decided to move the decision to next month.

Protocol and Standards Manual (PSM) - Section 8

Moved to next month.

CMER SAG Updates:

Each SAG reviewed the CMER SAG updates document, which was updated live as needed. Westside Type F exploratory report author response to ISPR is a year delayed. UW submitted the review on January 25th and responses were due no later than March 8th. This is a significant delay. CMER reviewers may need additional time to review changes that were made based on the ISPR review.

List of Attendees

Attendees	Representing
§Bell, Harry	Washington Farm Forestry Association – Small Forest Landowners
§Berge, Hans	UCUT – Eastern Washington Tribes
§Bretherton, Welles	Department of Ecology
§Dieu, Julie	Rayonier
§Kay, Debbie	Suquamish Tribe
§Knoth, Jenny	Washington Farm Forestry Association
§Kroll, A.J.	CMER Co-Chair
§Martin, Doug	Washington Forest Protection Association
§McIntyre, Aimee	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife/CMER Co-Chair

§Meleason, Mark	Counties Caucus
§Mendoza, Chris	Conservation Caucus
§Mobbs, Mark	Quinault Indian Nation
Black, Jenelle	NWIFC CMER Scientist
Church, Natalie	DNR – CMER Coordinator
Clark, Lori	Adaptive Management Program Administrator
Freeman, Elise	CMER Scientist
Greenwood, Emma	Spokane Tribe
Hawkins, Tracy	DNR
Henkel, Theryn	DNR Supervisory Project Manager
Heimburg, John	WDFW
Holy, Shae	Skokomish Tribe
Hooks, Doug	WFPA
Mitchell, Robert	Member of the Public
Murray, Joe	Washington Forest Protection Association
Peters, Jim	Westside Tribe / TFW Policy Voting Member
Prescott, Alexander	DNR Project Manager
Roorbach, Ash	Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission
Schofield, Jenny	DNR Project Manager
Thomas, Cody	Eastside Tribe / TFW Policy Co-chair
Toledo, Anna	DNR Project Manager
Turner, Ted	UPSAG Co-chair
Walter, Jason	ISAG co-chair
Williamson, Tanner	CMER Scientist

§CMER Voting Member