





# TRUST LAND TRANSFER PROVISIO

## Update to the Board of Natural Resources

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# Trust Land Transfer (TLT)

2021 Capital Budget Proviso



An innovative tool for the Washington State Legislature, through an appropriation to DNR, to address several trust land management needs of the Common School Trust:

- Transfer out of economically under-performing state trust lands;
- Acquire funds to purchase replacement lands with higher long-term income-producing potential;
- Direct funds to the K-12 Common School Construction Account; and
- Conserve lands that have high ecological or social values.

# Legislative Proviso Language

As part of the 2021-23 Capital Budget, the Washington State Legislature passed a budget proviso specific to trust land transfer (SHB 1080 Sec. 3333).

## Work Group

“(1)The department of natural resources shall convene a work group of trust land beneficiaries and stakeholders to develop a recommended process for the way trust land transfer proposals are developed and implemented.

## Considerations

Consideration should be made for increasing the income value of the trusts, limiting impacts to trust lands not being considered for transfer, conservation value of lands that are a potential candidate for transfer, and use of the land bank for securing repositioned land that would result from any transferred projects, and any other items necessary for a well-supported program.

## DNR Tasks

The department of natural resources must report and make recommendations for the establishment of a new trust land transfer program to the fiscal committees of the legislature, by December 1, 2021.

(2) For the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium, the department of natural resources may not trade, transfer, or sell any valuable material from the four parcels that comprised the proposed trust land transfer parcels in the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium, known as Blakely Island, Devils Lake, Eglon, and Morning Star.



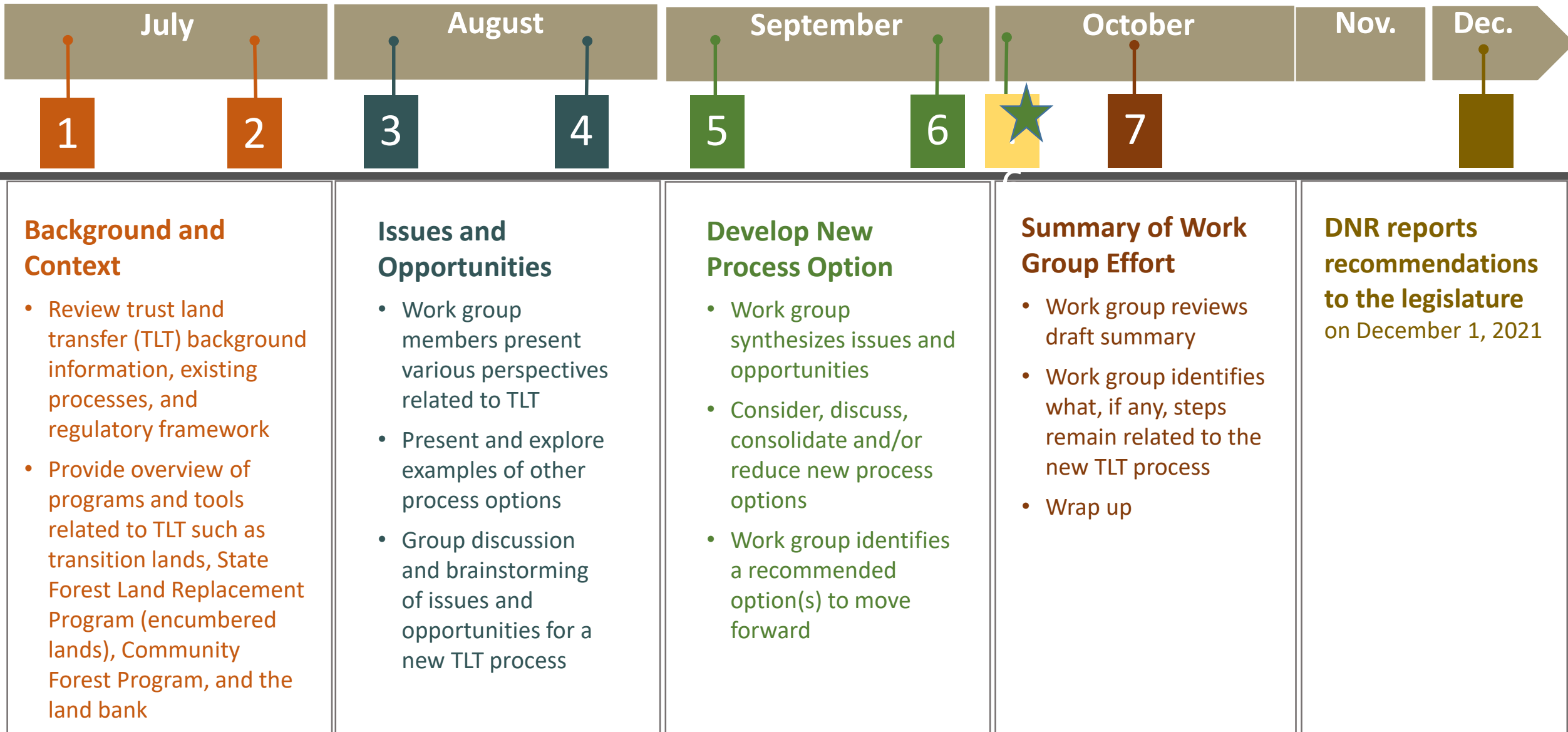
# TLT Proviso Work Group Members



Name	Organization
Justin Allegro	The Nature Conservancy
Angus Brodie	Department of Natural Resources
Matt Comisky	American Forest Resource Council
Commissioner Heidi Eisenhour	Jefferson County
Jim Freeburg	North Cascades Conservation Council
Commissioner Rob Gelder	Kitsap County
Peter Herzog	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission
Commissioner Randy Johnson	Clallam County
Randy Newman	Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction
Russ Pfeifer-Hoyt	Washington State School Director's Association
Cynthia Wilkerson	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife



# TLT Proviso Work Group Timeline



# Draft Process Framework



**1** **Application/Eligibility:** Application materials are submitted, DNR determines if the project is eligible based on if in the best interest of the trusts. If eligible, a tribal consultation is conducted.

**2** **Evaluation/Prioritization:** After tribal consultation, eligible projects are presented to an advisory committee to be evaluated, scored, and ranked into a prioritized list.

**3** **Approval:** The advisory committee's prioritized list is presented to the Board of Natural Resources for approval. If approved, DNR submits prioritized list to the legislature for funding.

**4** **Tracking/Reporting:** The department reports the Board of Natural Resources on parcels transferred and acquired.

# What is Next?

**Currently Writing the Report**

**Continuing Conversation with Tribes**

**Report Reviews (including Work Group 10/29/21)**

**Finalize the Report**

**Report to Legislature - December**

**Next Phase – Additional (new) Work Group Meetings on Specific Topics**





