

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, 18 September 2008 9:00 AM – Noon
USGS Office, 934 Broadway, 3rd floor, Tacoma

Draft Agenda

THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Hear an update on preparations and expectations for the 9 October meeting of the Stormwater Work Group Oversight Committee.
2. Hear an update on the PSP's development of an ecosystem monitoring program.
3. Begin to identify and define the Governance Committee's future work plan and how it should be reflected in the December 2008 report to the Legislature.

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| I. | 9:00 | Welcome, Introductions, and Review the Meeting's Agenda and Goals | Jim Reid |
| II. | 9:05 | Update on Stormwater Work Group <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>The Stormwater Work Group Oversight Committee meets for the first time on October 9th. We will be briefed on the "Core Team's" preparation for the meeting, and what is expected out of this first session.</i> | Karen Dinicola |
| III. | 9:15 | Update on PSP Ecosystem Monitoring Program Development <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>The Puget Sound Partnership decided not to hold a workshop on 15 September about ecosystem monitoring that members of this Committee helped prepare for. We will hear an update on the key PSP efforts that are underway, and what that could mean for our efforts to assist the PSP in developing the monitoring element of the biennial science work plan.</i>▪ <i>Questions and discussion.</i> | Karen/Scott Redman |

IV. 9:45 The Governance Committee's Future Work Plan Karen/Everyone

- *The Consortium will submit a report to the Legislature by the end of this year. To move toward crafting and agreeing on a set of recommendations to include in the report, we will:*
 - *Briefly review the Consortium's accomplishments to date, emphasizing those we want to highlight in the report.*
 - *Identify and discuss options for what the Governance Committee should achieve by the end of the year, by the end of the biennium (30 June 2009), and, possibly, beyond then.*
 - *As options are identified, what steps would we take to achieve our goals for the Committee?*
- *We can turn the answers to these questions into a work plan and reflect the work plan in our report to the Legislature.*

11:15 break

V. 11:20 The Consortium's Report to the Legislature Everyone

- *Based on our discussion today, what other issues or elements should be in the report to the Legislature?*

VI. 11:45 Miscellaneous Items Everyone

VII. 11:55 Summarize Today's Decisions Karen/Jim

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THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING:

**Wednesday, 15 October, 9 a.m. – noon
The Tacoma Room at the University of Washington, Tacoma**

Directions to the USGS office at 934 Broadway, third floor, in downtown Tacoma

A map is available at <http://wa.water.usgs.gov/directions.html>

*** Please note that Broadway is closed on Thursdays between S 9th and 11th for the Tacoma Farmers Market. Vendors will be setting up along the street while you are arriving at the building for our meeting. The USGS office is in the same building as the Tacoma Children's Museum, across the street from the park, Broadway Plaza. The building entrance leading to the elevator (which you will take to the 3rd floor) is to the right of the entrance to the museum.

Public transportation:

- Take express buses from Olympia and Seattle to the last stop at 10th and Commerce. Walk up the ramp in the middle of the 9th-11th St block on Commerce, to the left of the Pierce Transit bus shop and along the fountains, to Broadway Plaza at the top and across the street and to the left to the USGS office building.

Free parking:

- Northbound or Southbound on I-5, take exit 133 City Center and exit Tacoma Dome, turn right on E 26th, left onto E G, left on Puyallup Ave; there is free public parking at the Tacoma Dome Station. Take the free Tacoma Link light rail train that departs from behind Tacoma Dome Station (immediately uphill, toward Freighthouse Square) to the last station in the Theater District. Walk approximately two-and-a-half blocks south to S 9th, turn right (up the hill) and then left on Broadway.

Pay parking options:

- Northbound or Southbound on I-5, take exit 133 City Center to I-705 and exit A Street. The Park Plaza North parking garage can be accessed by turning left from A Street, left again on 11th, and right on Commerce. The parking entrance is to the left, under the pedestrian skybridge. Take the skybridge across Commerce to Broadway Plaza and walk across the park and to the left to reach the USGS office building. – OR –
- You may park wherever you have been parking for our meetings at UW Tacoma and take the free Tacoma Link light rail, which runs every 10 minutes, north to the last station in the Theater District and walk the approximately two-and-a-half blocks back to S 9th, go right on 9th one block up the hill and to the left on Broadway.