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A Taste of Washington State

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GRAYS HARBOR
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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STREAM TEAM

MOUNT
OLYMPUS
BREWING

- Each pint sold results in a tree planted
- 3000 pints sold in a couple months




RIVER
ROOTS
AMERICAN PALE ALE
5.4% ALC BY VOL
IBU: 30
RIVER
ROOTS
AMERICAN PALE ALE
1 PINT 16 FL OZ
5.4% ALC BY VOL
IBU: 30

- Conservation District exposure
- Free advertising
- Different demographic reached





Questions?

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Local Work Group Support



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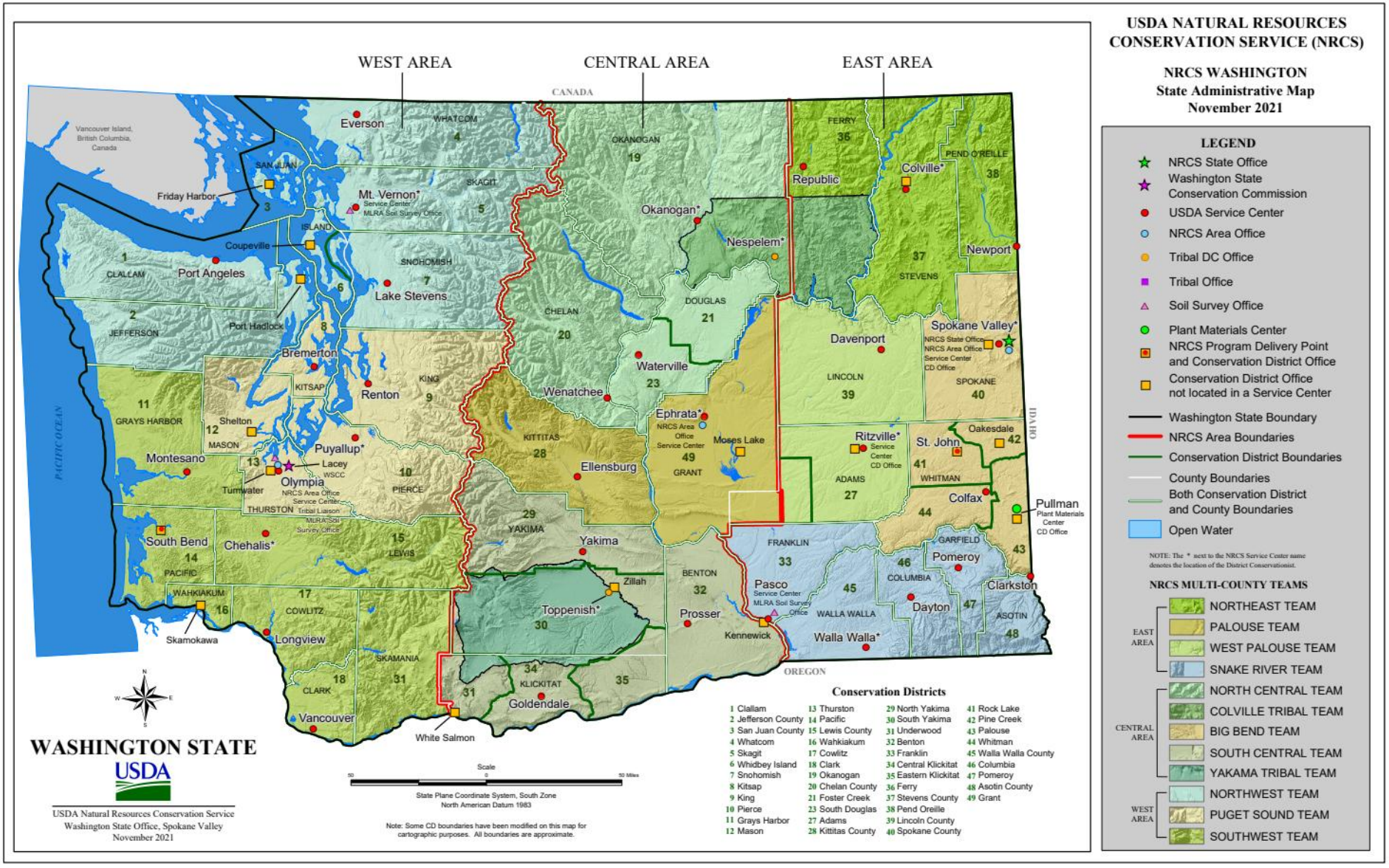

10 Local Work Groups arranged by team

- SCC Provides Facilitation and Logistical Assistance
- Cooperative Agreement (Task Order)
- LWG Chair or DC Requests Assistance

Task Order for
Technical Assistance and Services

Please enter the appropriate Agreement # NR200546XXXXC005

*Select Conservation District	
County for Activity	Several
CD Contact	Shana Joy
CD Phone	(360) 480-2078
NRCS Local Contact	Chas Scripter
NRCS Phone #	(509) 323-2984
NRCS Email	chas.scripter@usda.gov

NRCS Assigned Task Order Number	SO-22-01		
SCC Assigned Grant Number	K2244		
SCC Assigned Program Indexes	NRCS	SCC	
	60500 FCTA	60500 SCTA	
TASK ORDER EXPIRATION	06/30/2022		

NRCS Program & CDFA #

- ACEP 10.931
- (•) CTA 10.902
- CRP 10.069
- CStP 10.924
- ECP 10.105
- EQIP 10.912
- RCPP 10.932
- WRP 10.916

Use Page 2 Area Provided To Include Required SOW, QC Plan And Additional Provisions.

Line #	Program	Task Item	Unit Cost	Unit Description	# of Units	Estimated Staff Hours	Total Line # Cost	Data Entry
1	CTA	LWG facilitation	$100	1 hour of facilitation	77		$ 7,700.00	☐
2								☐
3								☐
4								☐
5								☐
6								☐
7								☐
8								☐
9								☐
10								☐

NRCS Portion $ 5,775.00 SCC Portion $ 1,925.00 Task Order Total To Grantee $ 7,700.00

Funds identified here do not include WSCC Contract Expenses

Funds Available by NRCS?

- ACEP 10.931 ☐
- CTA 10.902 ☑
- CRP 10.069 ☐
- CStP 10.924 ☐
- ECP 10.105 ☐
- EQIP 10.912 ☐
- RCPP 10.932 ☐
- WRP 10.916 ☐

AUSTIN SHERO Digitally signed by AUSTIN SHERO Date: 2021.12.28 12:15:38 -08'00'
NRCS AC Electronic Signature

NICK VIRA Digitally signed by NICK VIRA Date: 2021.12.21 09:54:11 -08'00'
NRCS Tech Lead Electronic Signature

Heinitz, Karla (SCC) Digitally signed by Heinitz, Karla (SCC) Date: 2022.01.03 16:09:39 -08'00'
WSCC AA Electronic Signature

Session Design

Palouse Local Work Group – FY2024

USDA Plant Materials Center Conference Room, 4900 Terre View Dr., Pullman WA 99164
April 5, 2023 – 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Session Objective:
Hear about any LWG or Farm Bill updates. Review funding pool allocation recommendations, priority application criteria, and top10 priority resource concerns. Discussion about potential use if Inflation reduction Act (IRA funds) and potential Palouse Team Proposal. This Local Working Group covers the following counties: Spokane and Whitman.

Time	**Duration**	**Activities**	**Outcomes and Notes**
9:30 am	10 minutes	**Opening Comments, Introductions, Objective & Agenda Review** ▪ Opening comments: Larry Cochran ▪ Objectives / agenda review, webinar participation: Mike ▪ LWG role & responsibilities, updates: Mike and Rich	▪ Participants gain knowledge of objectives, agenda, and purpose of Local Work Group.
9:40 am	15 minutes	**FY22 Obligations & Farm Bill FY23 Program Updates** ▪ FY22 program obligations status & recent application types - Rich ▪ FY23 Program Updates - Rich	▪ Participants gain knowledge of status of FY22 program obligations & gain understanding of program updates for FY23
9:55 am	50 minutes	**Resource Concern Priorities/Funding Pools – Mike and Rich** ▪ What projects are needed to address the resource concerns? ▪ Identify up to two unique fund pools for the Palouse Team (resource concern and land use) ▪ Assign funding allocation percentages to each fund pool ▪ Fund pool ranking questions (up to 6 per fund pool with associated points) ▪ State and Local Initiatives	▪ Recommended projects and practices to address resource concerns ▪ Up to two unique funding pools for the Palouse Team with associated percentages and ranking questions
10:45 am	20 minutes	**Priority Resource Concerns** ▪ Review list of resource concerns and identify top 5 resource concerns	▪ Top five resource concerns ranked in order
11:05 am	45 minutes	**Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Funding Overview and Proposal** ▪ Rich provides overview of IRA funding ▪ Discussion about IRA funding potential proposal	▪ Participants understand the opportunity for EQIP and CSP IRA funding proposals
11:50 am	10 minutes	**Next Steps and Closing Comments** ▪ Larry and Mike	
12:00 pm		**Adjourn**	

- Meeting goals and objectives discussed
- Session design developed



LWG Name for Fund Pool: (droplist)

Palouse Team

LWG Resource Concerns:

% of LWG allocation of funds Must total 100%	Enter Fund Pool Name	Landuse** (drop List)	Category Type **All 3 are required/ fund pool** (droplist)	% of Category Type allocation of points Must Total 100%	Resource Concern* Minimum 1 required per Fund Pool Category (droplist)	% of resource concern allocation	**each color Must = 100% per fund pool**
35%	Palouse LWG Crop 2024	Crop	Field_sediment_nutrient_pathogen_loss	45%	Sediment transported to surface water	100%	100%
		Crop	Soil_quality_limitations	40%	Aggregate instability	50%	100%
					Soil organism habitat loss or degradation	50%	
		Crop		15%			
			Weather_resilience		Ponding and flooding	100%	100%
				100%			
65%	Palouse LWG Range 2024	Range	Livestock_production_limitation	50%	Inadequate livestock water quantity, quality and distribution	60%	100%
		Pasture			Feed and forage balance	40%	
		Crop					
		Range	Degraded_plant_condition	40%	Plant productivity and health	50%	100%
					Plant structure and composition	50%	
		Range	Pest_pressure	10%	Plant pest pressure	100%	100%
				100%			

* Fund pool resource concerns selected by LWG cannot duplicate existing state or national fund pools and their selected resource concerns.

** Please refer to NEW NRCS Resource Concern list and Planning Criteria to determine what landuse is allowed for each selected Natural Resource Concern

LWG Instructions | Sign in sheet REQUIRED | EQIP Fund Pools | Priority Resource Concerns | Priority Resource Concerr ...

Informational resources and data collection tools are collected and utilized

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USDA

Washington Local Working Group Meetings Survey 2022

The following survey is being conducted by a partnership of the Washington State Conservation Commission, the USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and the Conservation Districts of Washington State, to identify locally led conservation objectives. The locally led process provides USDA with input on natural resource priorities and criteria for USDA conservation activities and programs. The process also assists the Conservation Districts, NRCS and other USDA agencies to identify conservation needs, resource concerns, and priorities, and seek recommendations regarding program implementation. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to your local District Conservationist.

General Information

Please enter your name:*

What county or counties do you live in, work in, or represent (organized according to NRCS team)?*
--- Select One ---

What is your relationship to agriculture? Select all that apply:
- ☐ Producer/Grower (farmer, forest-landowner, woodland-landowner, dairyman, etc.)
- ☐ Subsistence
- ☐ Government employee
- ☐ Conservation district employee or supervisor
- ☐ Non-Profit employee
- ☐ Other:

Natural Resource Concern Priorities

*Please identify and rank **up to 10** of your highest priority natural resource concerns facing agriculture today.*

Please select your #1 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #2 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #3 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #4 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #5 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #6 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #7 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #8 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #9 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Please select your #10 natural resource concern:
--- Select One ---

Local Work Group – Project Proposals

Project Submittal Deadline: June 30, 2023

This document is an outline of the LWG Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) project proposal opportunity. The Washington Tribal Local Working Group (TLWG) and Washington Local Working Groups (LWG) are the only eligible applicants to submit proposals to NRCS Washington. TLWG and LWG may submit multiple proposals.

It is recommended that TLWGs and LWGs use each item below as a section heading. This will create consistency for the reviewers. You may add appendixes as necessary to provide any additional information that you feel is necessary. All maps should be included as an Appendix and labeled so they can be referenced in the project proposal. Proposals should be limited to five pages in length, including maps and appendices.

The LWG project proposal is to be used with the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and/or Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) funds only. Your proposal budget should reflect the needed allocation for EQIP and CSP separately so that funding for the project can be appropriately tracked. If you have any questions about these programs, please contact the Assistant State Conservationist for Programs (ASTC-P) at the Washington State Office.

Some areas in Washington state may not be eligible for IRA proposals. We are required to use national data layers to track accomplishments and report to Congress.

LWG project proposals must be a minimum of 2 years in length and will not exceed 5 years in length.

NRCS will manage all administration and contract development of approved LWG proposal EQIP/CSP project areas. NRCS reserves the right to modify proposals as necessary to comply with required provisions of the IRA.

NRCS will evaluate all eligible project proposals received by the deadline. Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Expected Landowner Participation
- Strategies to Reach Historically Underserved Communities
- Staff & Partner Capacity
- Alignment with Top State Priorities (as determined by all LWGs)
- Alignment with IRA priority areas
- Partner Contributions (not required, but considered in evaluation)

Proposal Outline

CONTACT INFORMATION: This should include the name of the project, name of the TLWG or LWG submitting the proposal, county or NRCS Team, and name of the LWG Chair. Also include the mailing address, e-mail address, and phone number of the primary contact for the proposal. Proposals should be submitted by the LWG chairperson or signed off by the chair if submitted by a proxy.

PROBLEM STATEMENT: This section should serve as an executive summary of the project. A brief explanation of the resource issue that the proposal will address, and a brief statement of how that issue will be resolved. This summary is not meant to give a lot of detail, but rather a few statements of how this issue developed and the natural resource issues to be addressed. Indicate why existing programs are insufficient in treating this conservation objective.

Address any other issues or needs that arise!



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