



North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP) Policy Review Panel (PRP) & Technical Peer Review Committee (TPRC) Meeting Annotated AGENDA

Friday, October 19, 2018; 10 am – 3:30 pm
Weaverville Victorian Inn, 2051 Main St, Weaverville, CA

I	<p>10:00</p> <p>Opening Tribal Prayer and Welcome NCRP PRP Vice-Chair, Leaf Hillman, Director of Natural Resources, Karuk Tribe</p>
II	<p>Welcome and Introductions NCRP PRP Chair, Judy Morris, Trinity County Board of Supervisors Welcome new Tribal representatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRP Central District Alternate: Emily Moloney, Water Quality & GIS Specialist, Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria Northern District TPRC Alternate: Megan Van Pelt, Natural Resources Director, Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation <p>Welcome new Mendocino County TPRC member:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe Scriven, Project Manager/Fisheries Biologist, Mendocino RCD <p>Some fond farewells:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is Humboldt County Supervisor Ryan Sundberg's last meeting; he will be missed; with the PRP's blessing, Judy will attend a Humboldt County Board meeting in late fall to express the NCRP's appreciation Javier Silva is no longer on the TPRC, but is working as a consultant with Sherri and the California Environmental Indian Alliance implementing the NCRP Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Involvement Program <p>Thank legislative panelists for taking time out of their busy schedules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CA State Assemblymember Jim Wood Bruce Ross, District Director for CA State Assemblymember Brian Dahle John Driscoll, District Representative for US Congressman Jared Huffman Tom Weseloh, Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture Representative for CA State Senator Mike McGuire (former PRP member) <p>Thank agency panelists for joining us:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keali'i Bright, Deputy Secretary for Climate and Energy, California Natural Resources Agency

- Anecita Agustinez, Tribal Policy Advisor, Department of Water Resources
- John Andrew, Assistant Deputy Director, Department of Water Resources (pending due to recent injury – we hope he recovers quickly)
- Louise Bedsworth, Executive Director, Strategic Growth Council (pending)
- David Bunn, Director, California Department of Conservation
- Nuin-Tara Key, Resilience Program Manager, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research (pending due to illness)
- Jenny Lester Moffit, Undersecretary, California Department of Food & Agriculture

Welcome other state agency staff that are attending:

- Eric Martinez, Grant Manager, DWR
- Maks Khashchuk, Project Manager, DWR
- Ian McFadden, State Water Resources Control Board
- Clayton Creager, Regional Water Quality Control Board

III	10:20	DECISION	Review and Approve Agenda NCRP PRP Chair Judy Morris
IV	10:25		PUBLIC COMMENT for items not on the agenda NCRP PRP Chair Judy Morris
V	10:30	INFORMATIONAL	LOCAL PROJECT PRESENTATION: South Fork Trinity River — Spring Run Chinook Salmon Restoration Project Welcome the presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D.J. Bandrowski, Senior Project/Design Engineer, Yurok Tribal Fisheries Program • Aaron Martin, Habitat Restoration Biologist, Yurok Tribal Fisheries Program • Josh Smith, Watershed and Fisheries Program Director, Watershed Research and Training Center They will be describing a wonderful partnership between a local non-profit and Tribe funded in part by the NCRP 2015 IRWM Funding. Earlier this month the project was featured in the San Francisco Chronicle.
VI	10:50	INFORMATIONAL & DISCUSSION	2018 Fire Season Round Robin: NCRP PRP & TPRC Members NCRP PRP Chair Judy Morris <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • quick check in from each Tribal area and county • Judy to read Lewiston thank you letter and introduce Wes
VII	11:20	INFORMATIONAL & DISCUSSION	LEGISLATIVE UPDATES: WATERSHEDS, COMMUNITIES & FIRE RESILIENCY Panel Chair: NCRP PRP Chair Judy Morris We really appreciate Assemblymember Jim Wood and staff from the offices of Congressman Huffman, Assemblymember Dahle and Senator McGuire joining us for our quarterly meeting. It is a great honor. We look forward to hearing from you regarding opportunities and strategies for the NCRP and the North Coast region on forest and watershed health and community resiliency especially in the face of fires and climate change.

Panelists:

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- Bruce Ross, District Director for CA State Assemblymember Brian Dahle
- John Driscoll, District Representative for US Congressman Jared Huffman
- Tom Weseloh, Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture Representative for CA State Senator Mike McGuire

Welcome Keali'i Bright, Deputy Secretary for Climate and Energy, California Natural Resources Agency.

We are so pleased that Keali'i agreed to Chair the agency panel. He will set the stage for State priorities related to forest health, climate resiliency and rural community benefits. We also welcome his thoughts about any specific opportunities that he sees for the NCRP from the Resources Agency perspective.

STATE AGENCY UPDATES & PRIORITIES

Panel Chair: Keali'i Bright, Deputy Secretary for Climate and Energy, California Natural Resources Agency

IX 11:50 INFORMATIONAL & DISCUSSION

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- John Andrew, Assistant Deputy Director, Department of Water Resources (pending) [had a recent injury and may not be able to attend]
- Louise Bedsworth, Executive Director, Strategic Growth Council (pending) [may not be able to attend]
- David Bunn, Director, California Department of Conservation
- Nuin-Tara Key, Resilience Program Manager, Governor's Office of Planning and Research [is ill and may not be able to attend]
- Jenny Lester Moffit, Undersecretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture

12:45

WORKING LUNCH (PROVIDED)

OPPORTUNITIES & PRIORITIES for the NCRP

During the NCRP Quarterly meetings in January & April, 2018, the NCRP Partnership held discussions regarding strategies, policy and funding to support regional resiliency in the face of wildfire and other extreme events. These discussions integrated information from a project funded by the Strategic Growth Council that included local and regionwide assessments of forest carbon, renewable energy, biomass, fuel load reduction options, water and wastewater system enhancements, natural capital and ecosystem services and climate resiliency.

X 1:30 DISCUSSION

Integrated Strategies for Community and Watershed Health

Karen Gaffney, West Coast Watershed

Future Priorities for the NCRP

Assemblymember Wood & NCRP PRP Chair Judy Morris

[Discussion on priorities for NCRP – Jim Wood and Judy confer over lunch]. Each PRP/TPRC team stand up and give a 2-5 minute presentation on priorities

PRP DIRECTION TO STAFF: STRATEGIES FOR FUNDING

NCRP PRP Chair, Trinity County Supervisor Judy Morris

Over the last two years, the Vice-chair and I along with staff have visited Sacramento and have had ongoing conversations with elected officials and agency staff regarding the accomplishments of the NCRP and the need for funding to support planning and project implementation focused on forest and watershed health, community health and safety, and local economic vitality. In the wake of the worst fire season in California history, legislation and funding opportunities are rapidly evolving. Positioning the NCRP to receive funding for fuel load reduction and forest health requires the focused and flexible effort of the NCRP staff team. The current set of funding and legislative opportunities are on a much faster timeframe than on past bond funding opportunities and in some cases require immediate staff and Chair/Vice-chair engagement to secure them or signal the interest of the NCRP.

Staff have keyed up the following recommendation for your consideration:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Through April 2019, authorize NCRP staff to work with the Chair, Vice-Chair and Executive Committee to pursue funding and provide legislative input that furthers the goals of the NCRP. The following assumptions apply:

XI 2:30 DECISION

1. NCRP staff would only pursue funding opportunities that align with PRP approved Goals and Objectives
2. Prior to proceeding on any funding or legislative opportunity, NCRP staff would receive approval from the Chair and Vice Chair at a minimum, and would request approval from the full Executive Committee
3. NCRP staff would send draft funding requests or legislative input to the full PRP and TPRC for comment
4. A decision to formally submit a grant application would be voted on by the full PRP
5. Any funding request would honor the PRP approved approach to local autonomy – allowing Tribes or counties to opt out of any element of the funding request in which they do not wish to participate.
6. Funding requests or legislative input will predominantly focus on project implementation, but may also include stakeholder outreach and coordination, technical support for project proponents, data, analysis and planning.
7. At the April 2019 meeting, this authorization would be revisited by the PRP

PUBLIC COMMENT

RUSSIAN RIVER PILOT

In cooperation with the Department of Water Resources and local stakeholders, California Forward and the Pacific Institute are developing a management framework for the Russian River watershed. This pilot effort is intended to contribute to the CA Water Plan Update 2018, a draft of which is intended out in the next month or so.

XII 2:40 DECISION

Throughout the Russian River Pilot development process, concerns have been expressed about adequate Tribal and NCRP input in the plan development process. This presents an opportunity for the NCRP to establish a clear protocol for how the NCRP engages in other regional planning processes. Staff have T'd up the staff recommendation described in the meeting materials and Sherri will present the letter referenced in the staff recommendation and describe the NCRP Tribal representative perspective.

Sherri Norris, Executive Director, California Indian Environmental Alliance

PUBLIC COMMENT

RECONFIRM: NCRP PROPOSITION 1 ROUND 1 IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING SOLICITATION PROCESS

During the NCRP Meeting in January 2018, the PRP formed a NCRP Proposition 1 IRWM Round 1 Implementation Funding Solicitation Ad Hoc Committee comprised of TPRC Co-Chairs, other PRP & TPRC member volunteers and staff to develop NCRP Proposition 1 IRWM Round 1 Implementation process, guidelines and solicitation materials for review and consideration by the PRP. During the April NCRP meeting the PRP adopted the ad hoc committee's overarching recommendation along with five related recommendations as described in the meeting materials.

XIII 2:55 DECISION

At the time, it was expected that DWR would release their 2018 Proposition 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation Grant PSP and Program Guidelines in soon thereafter in the spring but for a number of reasons delayed their release till this fall. On October 5th these materials were released for public review. ***This timing change requires that the PRP reconfirm the NCRP April decision with slight scheduling updates.***

TPRC Co-Chair: Sandra Perez will briefly walk us through the reconfirming recommendation from the ad hoc committee.

TPRC Co-Chair: Sandra Perez, Program Manager, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, NCRP Proposition 1 Implementation Funding Solicitation Ad Hoc Committee

PUBLIC COMMENT

UPDATES

XIV 3:10 INFORMATIONAL

Note: most of the updates have been written up in the meeting materials should we want to skip the update presentations based on timing

i.		NCRP Tribal Engagement Sherri Norris, Executive Director, California Indian Environmental Alliance
ii.		Regional Administrator & Project Implementation Update Hank Seemann, Deputy Director, Public Works Department, Humboldt County (see meeting materials)
iii.		Notable Legislation Molly Oshun, Sonoma County Water Agency (see meeting materials)
iv.		Upcoming meetings featuring the NCRP NCRP PRP Chair, Trinity County Supervisor Judy Morris - California Economic Summit, Santa Rosa, November 15 & 16 NCRP Executive Committee member, Sonoma County Supervisor James Gore - North Coast 4th Climate Change Assessment Workshop, December 13 & 14
v.		NCRP Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Outreach & Involvement (see meeting materials)
vi.		Executive Committee, PRP direction and staff action (see meeting materials)
XV	3:20	PUBLIC COMMENT
XVI	3:25	NCRP 2019 MEETING DATES NCRP PRP Chair, Trinity County Supervisor Judy Morris <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 18, 2019 – Ukiah Area April 19 – Yreka Area July 19 – Eureka Area (consider rescheduling for July 26) October 18 – Weaverville Area
	3:30	ADJOURN

Policy Review Panel Members

Chair: Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County

Vice-Chair: Leaf Hillman, Director of Natural Resources, Karuk Tribe, Northern District

Alternate: Buzz Ward, Social Services Coordinator, Pit River Tribe, Northern District

Edwin Smith, Tribal Council Vice-Chair, Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, Central District

Alternate, Emily Moloney, Water Quality & GIS Specialist, Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, Central District

Supervisor Gerry Hemmingsen, Del Norte County

Supervisor Chris Howard, Del Norte County

Alternate: Supervisor Bob Berkowitz, Del Norte County

Supervisor Ryan Sundberg, Humboldt County

Supervisor Mike Wilson, Humboldt County

Alternate, Humboldt County: vacancy

Supervisor Carre Brown, Mendocino County

Supervisor John McCowen, Mendocino County

Alternate: Supervisor Dan Gjerde, Mendocino County

Supervisor Geri Byrne, Modoc County

Alternate, Modoc County: vacancy

Supervisor Ray Haupt, Siskiyou County

Supervisor Brandon Criss, Siskiyou County

Alternate: Supervisor Lisa L. Nixon, Siskiyou County

Supervisor James Gore, Sonoma County

Supervisor Lynda Hopkins, Sonoma County

Alternate: Grant Davis, Sonoma County Water Agency

Alternate: Dale Roberts, TPRC member, Sonoma County Water Agency

Brandi Brown, Redwood Valley Little River Band of Pomo, Southern District

Alternate: Martina Morgan, Tribal Council Vice-Chair, Kashia Band of Pomo, Southern District

Supervisor John Fenley, Trinity County

Executive Committee

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Brandi Brown, Redwood Valley Little River Band of Pomo, Southern District

Supervisor James Gore, Sonoma County

Technical Peer Review Committee Members

Co-Chair: Sandra Perez, Program Manager, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, Trinity County

Co-Chair: Dale Roberts, Engineer, Sonoma County Water Agency, Sonoma County

TPRC member and alternate, Central District: vacancy

Alternate, Central District: vacancy

Jim Barnts, Director of Public Works, Del Norte County

TPRC member and alternate, Del Norte County: vacancy

Hank Seemann, Deputy Director, Environmental Services, Public Works Department, Humboldt County

John Friedenbach, General Manager, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District
Alternate, Humboldt County: vacancy
Joe Scriven, Project Manager/Fisheries Biologist, Mendocino Resource Conservation District, Mendocino County
Sean White, Director of Water and Sewer, City of Ukiah, Mendocino County
Alternate, Mendocino County: vacancy
Sean Curtis, Modoc County Natural Resources, Modoc County
Toz Soto, Senior Fisheries Biologist, Karuk Tribe, Northern District
Alternate: Megan Van Pelt, Natural Resources Director, Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation, Northern District
Rick Dean, Deputy Director of Environmental Health, Siskiyou County
TPRC member and alternate, Siskiyou County: vacancy
Wayne Haydon, Certified Engineering Geologist, Sonoma County
Alternate, Sonoma County: vacancy
Nathan Rich, Water Quality Specialist, Kashia Band of Pomo, Southern District
Alternate: Emily Luscombe, Environmental Director, Coyote Valley Band of Pomo, Southern District
Wes Scribner, General Manager, Weaverville Community Services District, Trinity County
Alternate: Mark Lancaster, Director, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, Trinity County

NCRP Funding Ad Hoc Committee

Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County
Supervisor James Gore, Sonoma County

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Molly Oshun, California Indian Environmental Alliance
Katherine Gledhill, West Coast Watershed

Proposition 1 Disadvantaged Community & Tribal Involvement Ad Hoc Committee

Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County
Emily Luscombe, Coyote Valley Band of Pomo

Tribal Proposition 1 DACTI Ad Hoc Committee

NCRP Tribal PRP and TPRC representatives