Dungeness River Management Team - East WRIA 18 Project Ranking 2011 NOPLE Project Proposals

Proposed Project	Individual DRMT Member Scores 0 (lowest) - 10.0 (highest) or NS (no score) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17														17	# of Scores Submitted	Score Average	Project Rank (1 = highest priority)		
A. WA Harbor Restoration Project: Construction Phase	9.0	10.0	7.0	9.0	6.0	9.0	10.0	NS	NS	7	8.57	1								
B. Meadowbrook Creek and Dungeness River Reconnection	9.0	7.0	9.0	8.0	0	8.0	8.0	NS	NS	7	7.00	2								
C. McDonald Creek Barrier Rehabilitation	7.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	9.0	7.0	6.0	NS	NS	7	7.00	2								

NOTE: DRMT consists of 13 voting members (and alternates) and 4 advisory members (and alternates). Advisory members were given the option of providing scores/comments. Members who are also TRG/LEG representatives either elected not to provide scores/comments, or had their alternate provide scores/comments. The Team used the these criteria to help them in their decision: status/urgency, benefit to salmon, certaintly of success, extent of promoting ecosystem functions and sociopolitical benifits. Seven score sheets were received, one of which was from an advisory member who did not provide comments.

DRMT (East WRIA 18 CFG) SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Three (out of seven) members explicitly commented that all three projects have merit.

Project A - WA Harbor Restoration Project: Construction Phase

The DRMT ranked Project A as having the highest priority for funding. Project A received unanimous (7/7) "high" ratings from DRMT members for the "promotes ecosystem function" criterion, unanimous (7/7) "immediate" ratings for the "status/urgency" criterion, and tied with Project B for the most number (6/7) of "high" ratings for the "benefit to salmon" criterion. It tied with Project C for most number (4/7) of "high" ratings for the "certainty of success" criterion. Comments referred to the amount and quality of improved habitat that will result from the project, and the benefit to fish and ecosystem. One member sited this project's correlation to the DRMT's mission, and it is the only project to receive individual highest scores of 10 (there were 2/7 scores of ten). Members also noted the fact that the project is well-planned and appears to have high cost benefit, though one member felt the project cost was too high.

Project B - Meadowbrook Creek and Dungeness River Reconnection

The DRMT rank for Project B tied with Project C for second in priority for funding. Project B tied with Project A for having the most number (6/7) of "high" ratings for the "benefit to salmon" criterion, and it had the second highest number (6/7) of "high" ratings for the "promotes ecosystem function" criterion. The project generally rated the lowest out of the three projects for the "certainty of success" criterion, and DRMT members noted this concern in their comments (related to the fact that the shoreline may change by itself). Comments also referred to the fact that the area is important for juvenile fish, provides important habitat, and the project is linked to other floodplain restoration going on in the area, which has always been a high priority for DRMT. DRMT was also impresswed with the project's support and potential for community benefit.

Project C - McDonald Creek Barrier Rehabilitation

The DRMT rank for Project C tied with Project B for second in priority for funding. The project received the least number of "high" ratings for the "benefit to salmon" (2/7) and the "promotes ecosystem function" (4/7) crieteria. It tied with Project A for the most number (4/7) of "high" ratings for the "certainty of success" criterion, and tied with Project B for the most number (2/7) of "high" ratings for the "socio-political benefits" criterion. Member comments generally appeared to view this project as the least urgent of the three, though two members cited its urgency in relation to coordinating with DOT. Members also recognized the project is likely to be well-planned, and therefor potential for high certainty of success.