

October 1, 2018

KPFHP Meeting Steering Committee Meeting

2pm

Location: Kenai Watershed Forum, Soldotna

**Present:** Branden Bornemann - KWF, Rhonda McCormick – KWF, Emily Munter - USFWS ,  
Brian Blossom -ADF&G

**Telephonic:** Christy Cincotta –TTCD, Coeey Walker - KBRR, Matt Moxie – USFS, Mike  
Daigneault – USFWS, Erika Ammann - NOAA

**Absent:** Kyle Graham – USFWS, Marcus Mueller – KPB

### **Steering Committee Seat Applications**

Received 2 applications – Maggie Harings and Jennifer Hester – both from KWF  
55 organizations are on the current email list (increased from 27)

How to increase application numbers? New email? Personal contact?

Original email was sent out with deadline of July 6

Fieldworks is a distraction in July

New email to go out

Committee members should help get the word out with email/personal call

Senator Micciche was a former committee member – approach again?

### **Call for 2019 Proposals**

Statistics show people are opening email and clicking on links

No proposals in yet

Proposals are typically submitted on the due date

Deadline is 5pm, Friday, October 5

### **Funding Update**

KWF: Media project – bolster habitat messaging, Streamwatch and Coordination

KBRR” Near Shore project has last round of sampling later this month

Will be sampling next year also

Any interested is welcome to join

### **Review process for proposals**

Improve process by adding anonymous review group (retired biologists and more)

Would see before Steering Committee

Would not rank or score but determine practicability

Mat-Su FHP uses Science & Data Committee for same purpose

Branden will contact to see if they have form we can use

If you have member suggestions – send to Branden

Should scoresheet be revised?

Too late for this year, but perhaps for future

Based on partnership priorities

Projects that fit priorities should score higher

Get submitted proposals out for review before Nov meeting

Deadline Oct 5

Anonymous reviews for 10 days  
To Steering Committee on Oct 15  
Nov 4 come back as Steering Committee for discussion?  
5-10 proposals anticipated (as in prior years)

## **2019 Symposium**

Location? Seward?  
Seward would limit participation from agencies that aren't funding travel  
Look around central peninsula for venue  
Date? March or April? One day or two day?  
Keynote speaker? There is money to accommodate some travel for speaker  
Theme?  
November 1 – location/date to be nailed down

## **Face to face meetings**

Whole partnership and Steering Committee  
Tie to Symposium?  
Monthly meetings to remain 1<sup>st</sup> Monday from 2pm – 4pm  
Coowe unavailable for Nov 4 meeting

## **KPFHP Field Trip**

Coowe near shore project?  
Spring trip likely  
Ideas?

## **Closing Comments**

Erica – NOAA funding opportunity – near shore marine  
1<sup>st</sup> year available – pilot project  
Southeast partnership is submitting  
May ask KPFHP for design ideas for online tool they are developing  
Future possibility for Kenai/MatSu partnerships to apply to expand SE tool  
Christy – TBS wrapping up successful KPFH funded project  
Total of 3 culvert replacements – 2 last year, 1 this year  
\$1 million  
Opened 7 miles of habitat, 94 lake acres  
Culvert blessing ceremony on Oct 4  
Coowe – Natron Air has taken students/principals/teachers to see habitat, etc.  
October 4 Fish and Game “egg take” in Anchor Point  
Matt – This is last KPFHP meeting  
Has accepted position in Washington state  
USFS will retain seat – keep Adam Cross in the loop till name finalized  
\*\*Thank you Matt for your time on the Steering Committee!

Adjourn 2:53pm

Next Meeting: November 5, 2pm