

May 5, 2014  
 KPFHP Steering Committee Meeting  
 2pm  
 Location: Kenai Watershed Forum, Soldotna

<b>Present</b>	<b>Telephonic</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Robert Ruffner, KWF	Sue Mauger, CIK	Ricky Gease, KRSA
Rhonda McCormick, KWF	Marie McCarty, KHLT	
Jeff Anderson, USFWS	Mark Chilcote, USFS	
Heather Fuller, USFWS	David Wigglesworth, USFWS	
Ginny Litchfield ADF&G	Roger Harding, ADF&G	
	Doug Limpinsel, NOAA	
	Peter Micciche, SOA/Conoco	

Will proceed forward with no info on funding allocation  
 Last week was intended deadline for determination from NFHP  
 No info yet – hoping for soon

When should the next call for proposals go out?  
 Last year was sent in July

Seat elections: 1<sup>st</sup> time there has been more interest than there are available seats  
 Call for interested parties went out a month ago for 3 available seats  
 6 letters of interest have been received and distributed

Ricky Gease, Kenai River Sportfishing Association  
 Mark Chilcote, US Forest Service  
 Edward Schmitt MD, local conservation group  
 Paul Ostrander, Kenai Peninsula Borough  
 Branden Bornemann, Kenai Peninsula Chapter Trout Unlimited  
 Lisa Ka’aihue, Cook Inlet Acaculture Association

Procedure: 1<sup>st</sup> vote will consider all 6 applicants for 1<sup>st</sup> open seat  
 2<sup>nd</sup> vote will consider remaining 5 applicants for 2<sup>nd</sup> open seat  
 3<sup>rd</sup> vote will consider remaining 4 applicants for final open seat

Discussion

Motion to move forward with voting procedures – Peter  
 Motion seconded – Sue  
 No opposition voiced

Vote #1 --- Paul Ostrander, Kenai Peninsula Borough  
 Vote #2 – Mark Chilcote, US Forest Service  
 Vote #3 – Tie between Lisa Ka’aihue, Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association and  
 Branden Bornemann, Kenai Peninsula Chapter Trout Unlimited

Tie Breaker Vote – Branden Bornemann , Kenai Peninsula Chapter Trout Unltd.  
Branden will serve as Trout Unlimited representative  
He is President of local chapter  
Trout Unlimited has a seat on national board

Robert to notify all applicants of the results  
Committee expressed desire to keep all parties involved

Different people can serve for representative organizations  
I.E.: Mark Chilcote replaced Steve Zemke when Steve retired  
Heather Fuller attending meetings with Jeff lately  
Heather will likely replace Jeff in future

HB77 – This bill will be reintroduced in some form  
Peter would like to have “sit down” with KPFHP for a couple of hours  
Figure out which issues are good, which need revision  
Touch base with Robert about a possible time/date  
Kudos to Robert and Peter on their work during the session

In person meeting in the Fall or sooner is recommended  
New Steering Committee members to meet  
Need to review project solicitation guidelines  
Add monitoring plan to application for NFHP allocation application info?  
Rhonda will distribute Doodle Poll for early June

David has some insights on review process by NFHP for KPFHP to share

Need to move last year’s USFWS project proposals forward  
\$75K – base operation support funding to KWF for facilitation  
Current funding running out and limits capabilities  
Agreement with KWF will be shared with Committee  
\$106K (estimated) to fund the 5 projects in selection order at February meeting  
Any additionally approved money to the Elodea project

Should have a fun, in-person meeting in the fall

Consider “endorsing” local projects for the issue of leveraging  
USFWS funds can not be used as match  
Non-federal sides of local projects could be captured for leverage of partnership  
Any work on CAP areas captured by an endorsing letter?

**Next Meeting: See Doodle Poll for In-Person meeting**