

# WATER RESOURCE INVENTORY AREA (WRIA 8) SALMON RECOVERY COUNCIL



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Cindy Spiry  
Director, Environmental and Natural Resources Department  
Snoqualmie Indian Tribe  
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Dear Ms. Spiry,

As the Chair of the Salmon Recovery Council (SRC) for the Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish Watershed Water Resource Inventory Area 8 (WRIA 8), I am writing on behalf of the SRC to thank the Snoqualmie Tribe (Tribe) for their strong support and leadership in salmon recovery. We want to make you aware of the current effort to update of the WRIA 8 Chinook Salmon Conservation Plan (Plan) and convey our interest in the Tribe's involvement in the update. The SRC is marking its first ten years of Plan implementation, and periodic updates to the Plan help us to refine the path to restore sustainable and harvestable Chinook salmon populations. The SRC would be grateful to learn how the Tribe would like to be involved in the Plan update.

The SRC, which is comprised of 28 local governments and representatives from businesses, community groups, citizens, and state and federal agencies, is responsible for the implementation and adaptive management of the Plan with a clear goal to "preserve, protect and restore habitat with the intent to recover listed species...." As we update the Plan over the next year, we intend to build on monitoring and adaptive management work currently underway in WRIA 8 and on experience gained through more than a decade of implementing salmon habitat protection and restoration actions. The Tribe's knowledge of the watershed and resource management expertise is very important. We welcome the Tribe's involvement and input in the Plan update either through the existing WRIA 8 committee process or other appropriate venue(s).

The WRIA 8 SRC looks forward to hearing whether the Tribe is interested in participating in the update process or in reviewing Plan update products. Please feel free to contact Jason Mulvihill-Kuntz, the WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Manager at 206-477-4780 or [jason.mulvihill-kuntz@kingcounty.gov](mailto:jason.mulvihill-kuntz@kingcounty.gov) if you have any questions or for further information.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Andy Rheame  
Chair, WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Council  
Mayor, City of Bothell

cc: Matt Baerwalde, Water Quality Manager, Snoqualmie Tribe  
David Steiner, Restoration Program Manager, Snoqualmie Tribe  
Jason Mulvihill-Kuntz, WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Manager  
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