WRIA 9 Implementation Technical Committee 2007 Work Plan

TASK	TIMEFRAME	Responsibility
1. Convene H-Integration meeting to draft responses to H-integration "six questions," and produce a summary of project sequencing and expected results.	2nd quarter/3rd quarter	WRIA 9 Staff/WDFW/MIT's
2. Propose a basic (graphical) conceptual model of how the Green/Duwamish river ecosystem works.	2nd quarter	Josh
3. Draft a list of Core Questions driving monitoring at each level.	2nd quarter	Josh
4. Develop a baseline habitat conditions report against which habitat improvements will be measured.	3rd quarter	ITC
5. Develop monitoring plan templates for project effectiveness that will be used by project proponents in WRIA 9 for pre- and post-project monitoring. The templates should identify general project hypotheses, measurements/metrics to be taken while monitoring, common methods and timing (seasonally and annually) for collecting data, reporting expectations, data transfer to the WRIA, and quality assurance/quality control of monitoring data. Development of these templates should occur with guidance from the Guidance document, the U.S Army Corps of Engineers monitoring commitments as part of the ERP, and from the Regional Adaptive Management and Monitoring Plan for Puget Sound. Monitoring templates should be developed as soon as possible in 2007 for WRIA 9 projects that are nearing construction.	3rd quarter	King County, ACOE
6. Develop templates for annual, benchmark, and 5-year reporting plans which include all relevant levels of monitoring. Present to the Steering Committee and Forum to ensure that reporting will answer the appropriate questions for adaptively managing habitat protection and	3rd quarter	TBD

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improvement in WRIA 9. This will require identifying the expected adaptive management decisions that the Steering Committee and Forum will be faced with and the need for trigger points.		
7. Identify other monitoring efforts within WRIA 9 (e.g. ACOE ERP monitoring) and determine how/if they meet the needs of WRIA 9.	4th quarter	TBD
8. Develop a watershed-wide habitat monitoring plan, which includes a list of metrics, schedule for collection, and expected costs. This will depend upon the outcomes of developing templates as well as coordination with regional monitoring efforts.	4th quarter	TBD
9. Develop a list of data needs for all levels of monitoring (implementation, project effectiveness, watershed-wide and Chinook population). Identify who is collecting the data, how it is collected (particularly for Chinook information), and how the WRIA needs to use the data. Develop a data management plan to address the data needs, building on the steps above. Develop a data management program, or adapt King County's CIP database, to manage required data for WRIA adaptive management. *This needs to happen after or in conjunction with 5-8.*	4th quarter	TBD
10. Develop and recommend an action plan to the Steering Committee for implementing the monitoring and adaptive management. This may include refining roles and responsibilities of WRIA 9 staff, the ITC, Steering Committee, and Forum. This may also include outreach and education for WRIA 9/ERP project proponents on project monitoring, providing technical assistance, facilitating project specific monitoring implementation, compiling data, and preparing reports to the Steering Committee and Forum.	4th quarter	TBD
11. Convene meeting of project proponents re: pre and post construction project monitoring expectations.	4th quarter	TBD

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