

Cooperative Watershed Management

WRIA 7 2027 GRANT ROUND

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King County Flood Control District
Cooperative Watershed Management Funds

Advancing salmon recovery and watershed health through:

- Water quality monitoring and improvements
- Floodplain reconnection and restoration
- Habitat improvement and protection
- Fish barrier removal
- Research and assessments
- Community stewardship
- Education and outreach

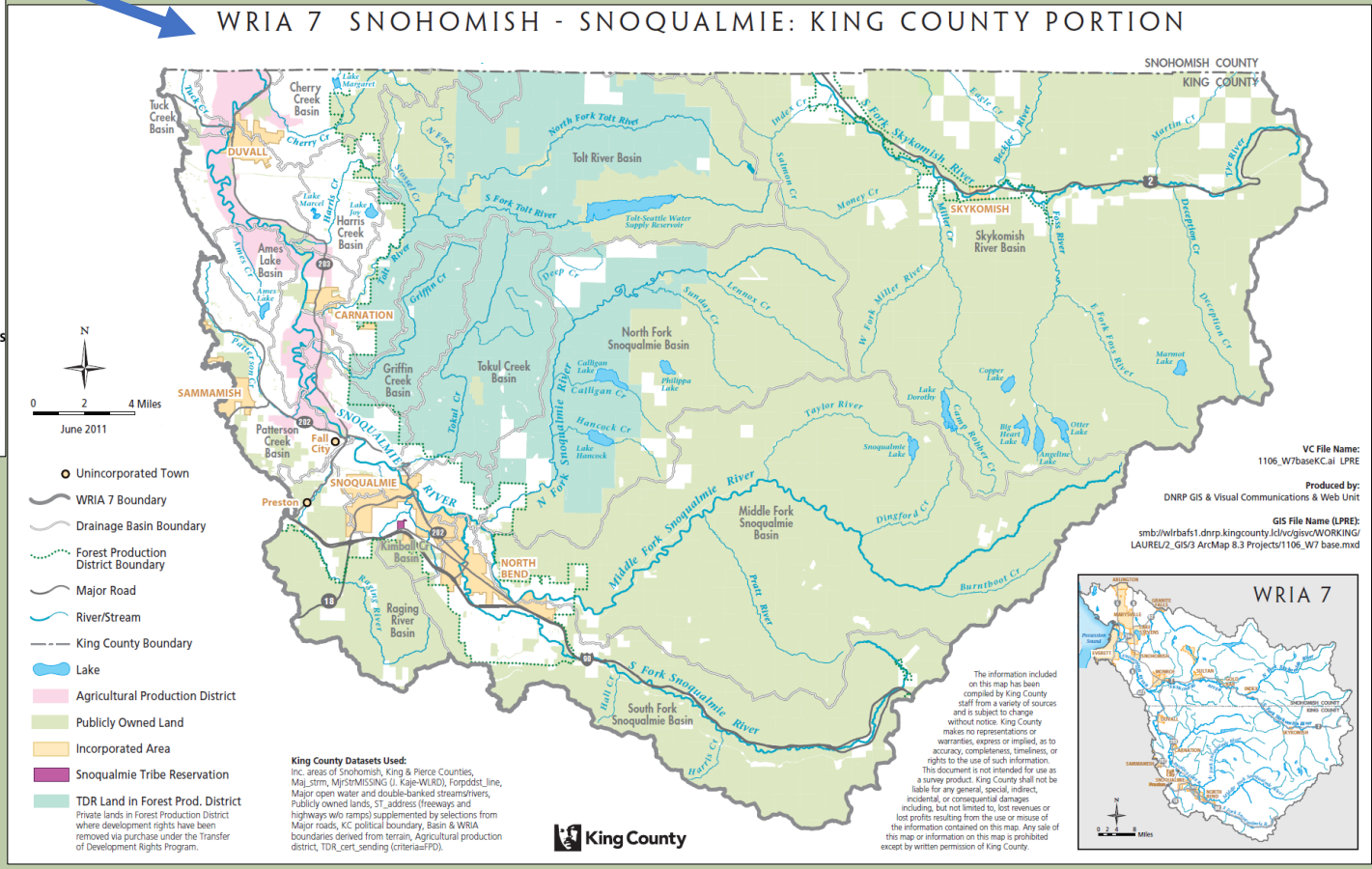


Projects in the King County portion of WRIA 7

- Snoqualmie River
- South Fork Skykomish

King County WRIAs and the WRIA 7 Snoqualmie/SF Skykomish Watershed





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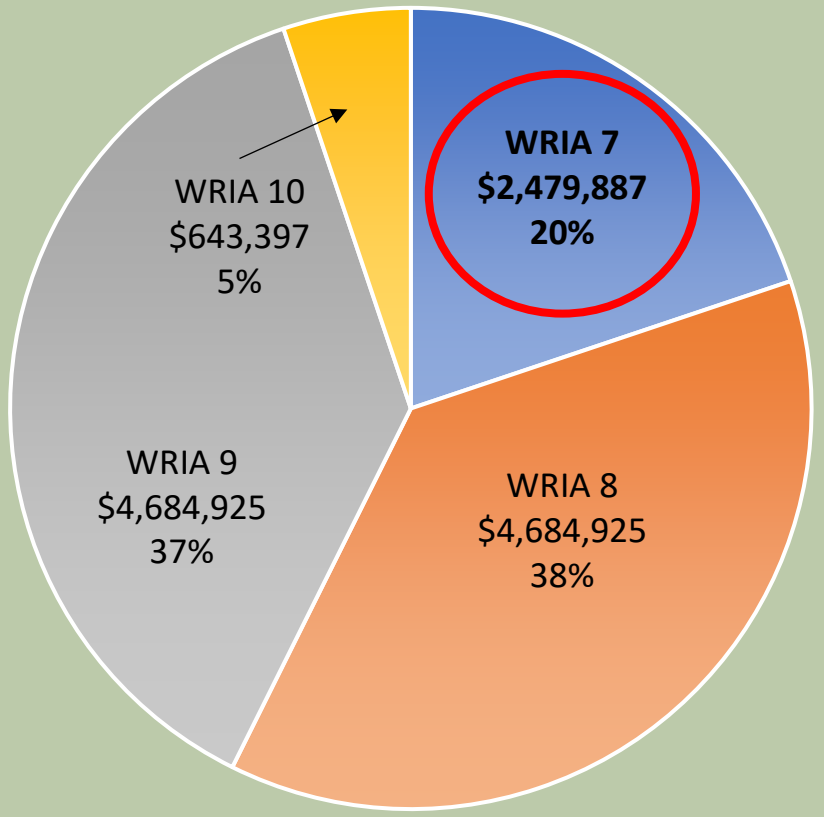
2027 CWM Allocation by WRIA



Who Can Apply?

- Federally-recognized Tribes
- Non-profit organizations
- Cities, Towns and County
- Special Districts
- Public schools and school districts
- Federal and state agencies

2027: $2,479,887 Total Available for WRIA 7

Award Types:

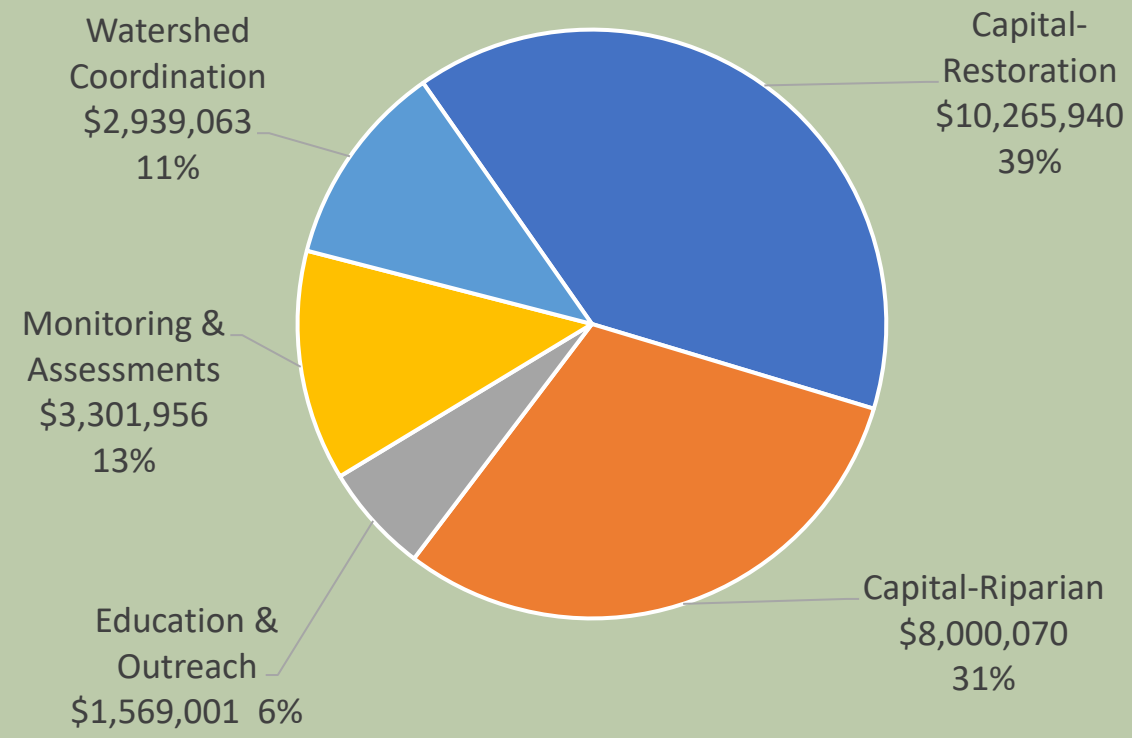
Outreach and Education

Monitoring and Assessment

Capital – Habitat Restoration

Capital – Riparian Restoration





Roles and Responsibilities

As a Forum member, you are asked to:

TODAY:

- Review the updates and proposed changes to the grant round process and funding guidelines
- Approve or provide feedback

MAY:

- Review and approve the Project Review Committee's recommended list of projects





2027 Grant Round Update and Decisions

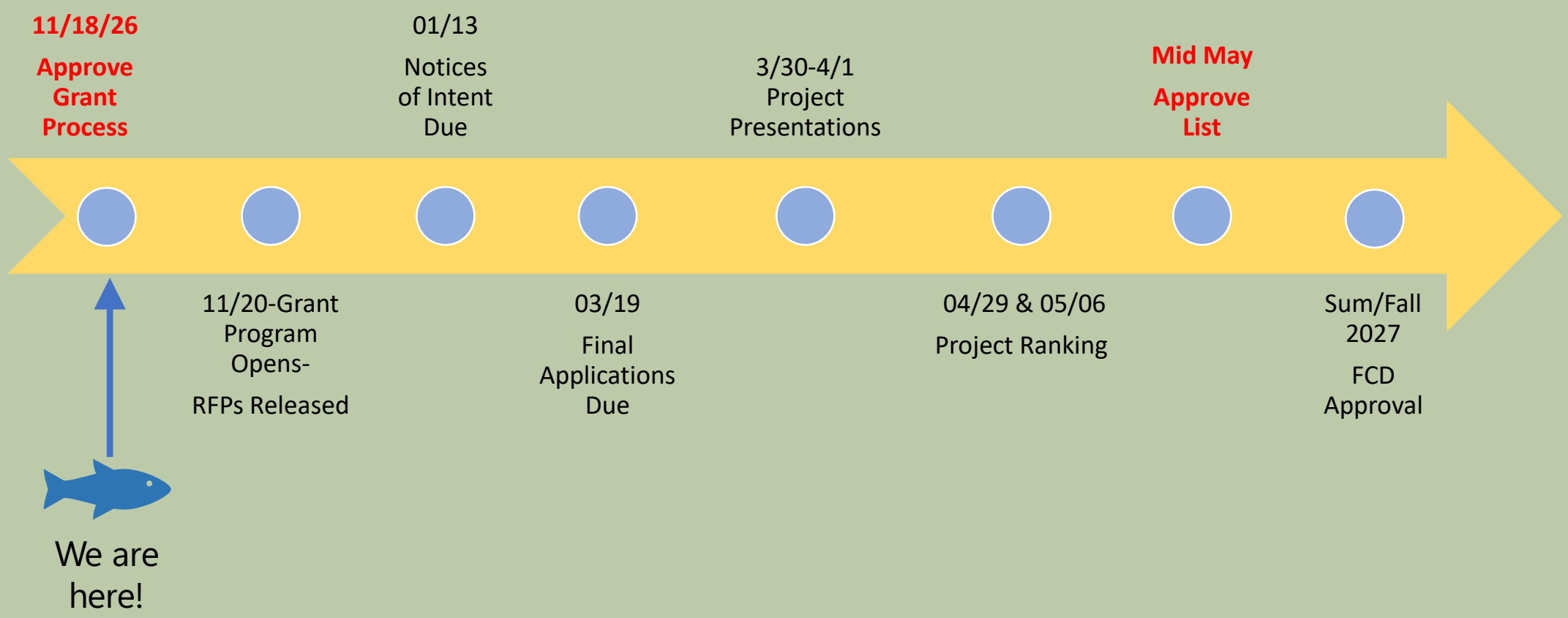
1. Funding Guidance Approval
2. Schedule and Process Approval
3. Program Updates

1. Funding Guidance for 2027 – Decision Needed

We recommend continuing with the funding guidance as shown below.

Project Type	Range		Allocation*	
			low	high
Capital	60%	80%	$1,487,932	$1,983,910
Monitoring and Assessments	15%	20%	$371,983	$495,977
Education and Outreach	5%	20%	$123,994	$495,977
Maximum Combined*		100%	**$2,479,887**	

2027 WRIA 7 CWM GRANT PROCESS OVERVIEW



2. 2027 Schedule

Snoqualmie Watershed Forum

King County Flood Control District Cooperative Watershed Management Grant Program: *Proposed* 2027 Timeline and Review Process

Date	Action	Participant(s)
1. Screening		
November 18 Wednesday	**Forum Approval of Grant Process** Forum approves the CWM Grant Process and gives permission to proceed.	Snoqualmie Watershed Forum
November 20 Friday	**Grant Process Opens** Grant Round opening and invitation to apply sent via email, and website published with current grant round information and links *Grant Application Instructional Webinars:* *December 10 (Thursday) 10:00-11:00 AM & January 6 (Wednesday) 1:00-2:00 PM*	Forum Staff
January 13 Wednesday (11:59 PM)	***Deadline*** **Notice of Intent to Apply** Submit Notice of Intent to Apply via King County CWM online portal.	Project Sponsors
January 29 Friday	**Project Applicants Invited to submit full applications.** Feedback may be provided by WRIA 7 staff to inform final applications.	Forum Staff
2. Final Applications		
March 19 Friday (11:59 PM)	***Deadline*** **Final Applications** Submit Final Application materials via King County CWM online portal.	Project Sponsors
March 30-April 1 Tuesday-Thursday	**Project Presentations (with site visits for capital projects including riparian)** All applicants present project proposals to the Project Review Committee. Applicants are expected to provide clarifications and additional information based on committee input.	Project Sponsors Project Review Committee Forum Staff
April 8 Thursday	**Project Review Committee Requests for More Information** Project sponsors may be asked to provide clarifications or additional information to inform final scoring. Staff will supply requests by April 8.	Forum Staff Project Review Committee
April 20 Tuesday (11:59 PM)	***Deadline*** **Responses to additional information requests** Applicants submit responses to Project Review Committee via Forum staff	Project Sponsors
April 29 & May 6 Thursdays	**Project Ranking** Project Review Committee conducts final scoring of applications and prepares recommendations for approval by Forum and Flood Control District.	Project Review Committee Forum Staff
3. Approval		
May (Tbd)	**Snoqualmie Watershed Forum Approval of Grants** Project sponsors are encouraged to attend the Snoqualmie Watershed Forum meeting to respond to questions related to grant applications.	Project Sponsors Project Review Committee Snoqualmie Watershed Forum Forum Staff
Summer/Fall 2027	**King County Flood Control District Board of Supervisors Approval of Grants** Contracting and Notice to Proceed.	Snoqualmie Watershed Forum Staff,

3. Program Updates for 2027

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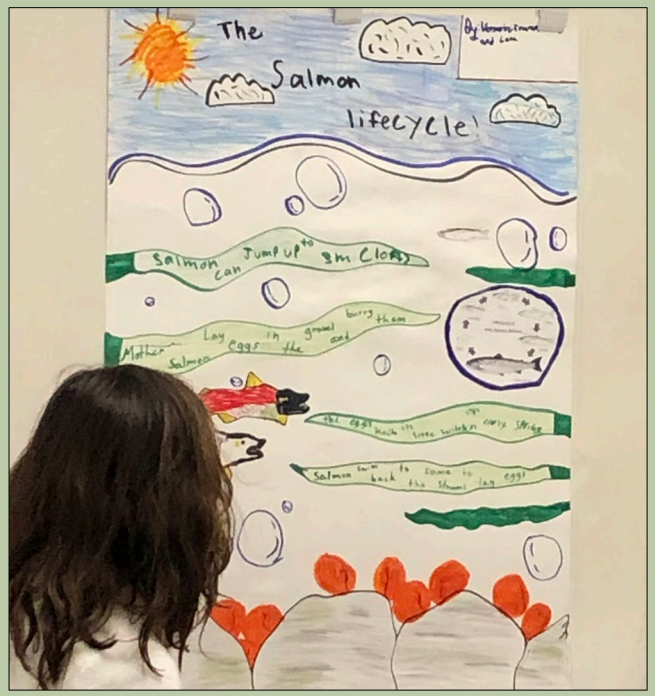
a. RFPs with track changes linked in your packet

b. Riparian application asks for a few new metrics

c. WRIA 7 staff will conduct the NOI reviews

d. RFP updates planned for 2028.



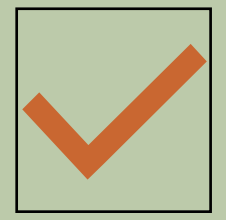


Action: Decisions Needed Today

2027 CWM Funding Allocation Guidance



2027 CWM Grant Timeline & Process



Next Steps

- ❑ Forum Approval (today)
- ❑ Open Grant Round (next)
- ❑ Convene Project Review Committee
- ❑ Support partners in project development and applications
- ❑ Fund our highest priority salmon recovery and watershed projects!



Questions?



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