

GREEN/DUWAMISH AND CENTRAL PUGET SOUND (WRIA 9) IMPLEMENTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE



WRIA 9 Implementation Technical Committee Meeting

April 15, 2026 | 9:30 am – 11:30 am

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9:30 **Welcome & Introductions**

9:45 **[WRIA 9 2026 Funding Package \(proposed\)](#)**
Presentation followed by Q&A and group discussion

Suzanna Smith,
WRIA 9

The proposed WRIA 9 2026 Funding Package includes funding for High Priority Capital Projects, Regreen the Green grants, Stewardship, Engagement, and Learning (SEaL) grants, Monitoring and Research grants, and Project Implementation. WRIA 9 staff will summarize the proposed package with project sponsors available for questions. The ITC will consider whether to recommend the package as presented for approval by the Watershed Ecosystem Forum.

- **Pre-meeting prep** – please review the proposed WRIA 9 2026 Funding Package (attached) prior to the meeting.
 - To view detailed submitted application materials, please visit:
<https://app.box.com/s/mp3tcxhln7ukefqlgchmap04izsd5t0k>
 - To provide comments on any project application, please email Suzanna (susmith@kingcounty.gov) directly.

11:15 **Next Steps, Updates, Good of the Order**

All

11:30 **Adjourn**

WRIA 9 ITC web page: <http://www.govlink.org/watersheds/9/committees/ImpleTechCmte.aspx>

Participant list:

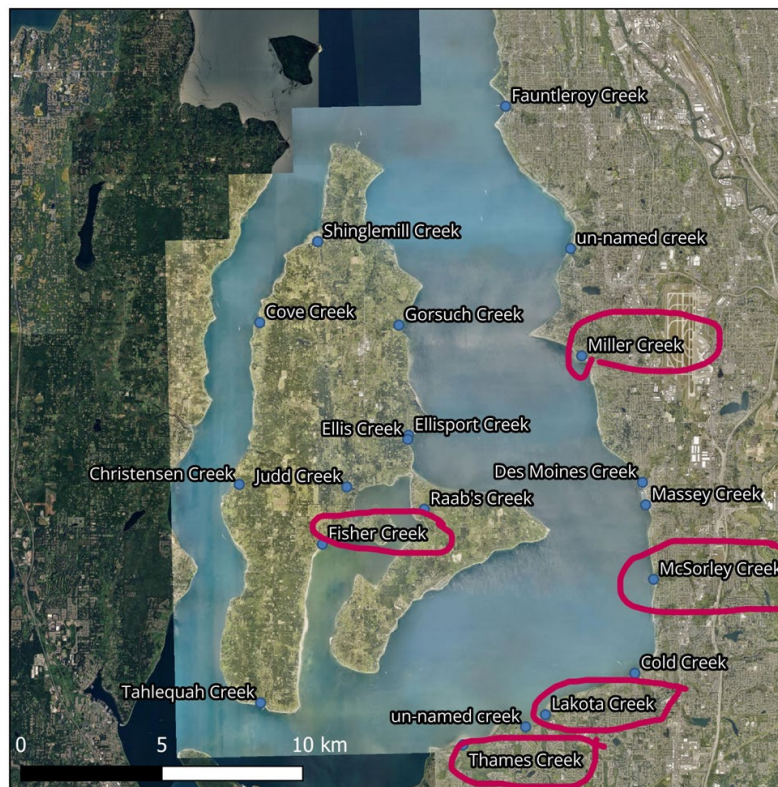
Alex Johnson, Alicia Kellogg, Ash Gould, Becca Kedenburg, Becky Snijder Van Wissenkerke, Caroline Borsenik, Catrien de Boer, Chester Bennett, Daniel Collins, Daniel Schultz, Danielle Devier, Elby Jones, Elizabeth Mackey, Erik Rigaux, Greg Wingard, Iris Kemp, Jackie Weber, Jenn Stebbings, Jessie Medrow, Josh Kahan, Josh Kubo, Julia Kobelt, Julian Douglas, Kayley Pingeon, Kelly Steffen, Kollin Higgins, Lisa Reynolds, Mackenzie Dolstad, Maria Hernandez, Maria Metler, Marta Olson, Matt Goehring, Michael Scheu, Michelle Benetua, Mike Perfetti, Monica Walker, Patty Robinson, Roseann Barnhill, Rowena Valencia-Gica, Santiago Ramos-Torrescano, Sara Bacon, Suzanna Smith, Tom Dean, Tracy Banaszynski, Whitney Bowman

Round-table Updates and Reminders

- Join Duwamish Alive! events on **April 18!** Sign up for one of many events here: <https://www.duwamishalive.org/>.
- StormFest 2026 is seeking station educators and volunteers on **June 2-4**. StormFest is a three-day outdoor experiential stormwater learning event at the Des Moines Creek Beach Park for 6th-grade students in the Highline School District. [Visit the website to learn more and sign up by April 27!](#)
- Greg W. highlighted WA DNR's LiDAR portal: <https://lidarportal.dnr.wa.gov/#47.67926:-122.55249:9>. Green River Coalition is going to be collaborating to promote and advocate for the use of this system to make this data widely available as a public-facing asset. This will not only facilitate access and use by those who can't afford to collect their own data, but also make the data collection and outcomes available to organizations who can train staff in how this technology is used in GIS and can be integrated into various projects, evaluations and metrics in doing tributary, river, lake, wetland and marine projects. Questions about the portal? Contact Abby Gleason (abigail.gleason@dnr.wa.gov), the DNR LiDAR manager.
- Smolt trap update: due to the December flooding and a subsequent landslide, the river channel has changed a lot and is now channeling flow back towards shore. 2025 (left) vs. 2026 (right) shown below. Michael expects this to result in higher trap efficiencies. So far, Chinook numbers passing the trap have been low but not out of the norm compared with other pink outmigrant years. Optimism for a good parr outmigration. Michael and team will release a mid-season report later this month on all WDFW traps.



- The non-natal shoreline stream study led by Aaron David and funded by WRIA 9 CWM has found Chinook in five streams so far. Sampling will continue through the rearing period.



- The PIT tagging effort led by King County Science (Chris Gregersen), King County Rivers (Kerry Bauman), University of Washington (Kerry Accola & Julia Kobelt) and funded by WRIA 9 CWM, King County Rivers, and Puget Sound Partnership has deployed approximately 6,000 tagged hatchery Chinook and gotten over 200 detections. Sampling will continue through the rearing period.

WRIA 9 2026 Funding Package (proposed)

Application materials at this link: <https://app.box.com/s/mp3tcxhln7ukefqlqchmap04izsd5t0k>

WRIA 9 staff summarized capital projects, monitoring & research projects, Regreen the Green revegetation projects, and stewardship, engagement, and learning projects proposed within the WRIA 9 2026 draft funding package.

The ITC recommended the package as presented for approval by the Watershed Ecosystem Forum.

Further questions? Contact Suzanna at susmith@kingcounty.gov.