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



WRIA 9 Implementation Technical Committee Meeting January 17, 2024 | 9:30 am – 11:30 am

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Meeting ID: 212 285 313 251

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9:30 Welcome & Introductions

9:40 Middle Green, Soos & Newaukum Riparian Condition

Presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

Pre-meeting reading: Riparian Condition, pages 65-73 and 83-88

Riparian vegetation provides many benefits for salmon habitat (e.g., bank stability, water filtration, shading, source of large wood and food sources) and is assessed and tracked in WRIA 9 on a subwatershed basis. In the Middle Green, riparian condition metrics are based on the extent of forested area within the channel migration zone. We expanded this analysis to include Soos Creek, Newaukum Creek, and select tributaries, assessing treed/not treed area within a 200ft buffer of the stream centerline.

10:10 Lower Green and Duwamish Riparian Condition

Presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

Pre-meeting reading: Riparian Condition, pages 73-82

In the Lower Green and Duwamish, riparian condition metrics were previously based on the length of vegetated bank that is expected to provide shading on the river at the ordinary high-water mark. We updated this analysis to characterize treed/not treed area within a 165 ft riparian corridor.

10:40 Marine Nearshore Riparian Condition

Presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

Pre-meeting reading: Riparian Condition, pages 88-94

In the marine nearshore subwatershed, riparian condition metrics are based on the length of shoreline with trees immediately adjacent to the water.

11:10 ITC Year Planning & Round Robin Updates

Whiteboard activity

We will use the meeting whiteboard to brainstorm suggestions for 2024 meeting topics and discuss round robin updates. You can also email Iris (ikemp@kingcounty.gov) directly with your suggestions and updates.

11:30 Adjourn

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