



Island County  
WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

**Thursday, June 5, 2008 3:00-5:00 PM**

**Taylor Road Fire Station (3440 Taylor Road, Oak Harbor)**

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**A. Call to Order and Guest Welcome**

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| <b>Citizen Members</b>               | <input type="checkbox"/> Larry Bach (Co-chair) | <input type="checkbox"/> Barbara Brock  | <input type="checkbox"/> Julius Budos      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gary Fisher | <input type="checkbox"/> Don Lee (Co-chair)    | <input type="checkbox"/> John Luechauer | <input type="checkbox"/> Sherwood Minckler |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dean Thiem  |  |   |  |
| <b>Technical Advisors</b>            | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Bash             | <input type="checkbox"/> Karen Bishop   | <input type="checkbox"/> Erica Peterson    |
| <b>Island County Staff</b>           | <input type="checkbox"/> Matt Kukuk            | <input type="checkbox"/> Erica Martell  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Wilson      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jill Wood   |  |   |  |
| <b>Guests</b>                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Patton            |   |  |

**B. Adoption of May 1, WRAC Meeting Minutes**

**C. Announcements** - Gary Fisher appointed to the WRAC in district 1.

**D. Whidbey Island Conservation District**

Karen Bishop gave a general update about land assessment benefit analysis study, ongoing LID workshops, partnership with the City of Coupeville for their work towards the feasibility study for the reclaimed water project, partnership with Island County for the Strawberry Point project, and assisting landowners with "forest stewardship plan".

**E. Island County Planning Department**

SRFB Application Presentations for 1) Ala Spit Restoration: The feasibility study support a restoration proposal to remove rip rap. 2) Deer Lagoon Feasibility Study: This project is a joint project to assess the feasibility of restoring portions of Deer Lagoon. This project will create a hydro-dynamic model that can be used to address various restoration options. 3) K Creek Restoration Project: This project is a proposal to restore a partial fish blocking culvert system at the mouth of K creek. Restoration includes the enhancement or restoration of the riparian area adjacent to the stream channel.

**F. Project Discussion**

WRAC discussed future priorities which will include reviewing a list of active county plans related to watershed planning. Island County will generate a list for the WRAC to review. WRAC will review plans and discuss potential action items.

**G. Subcommittee Updates**

- Salmon Technical Advisory Group: Meeting on June 25 to evaluate and rank the three SRFB projects. Letter of support from the WRAC will be submitted to region on July 9.
- Potable Water Emergency Preparedness: Subcommittee and DES gave a presentation to the BIOCC on May 7. Dean is working with John Dean to develop the next stages of the plan including funding opportunities to fund a small amount of equipment to demonstrate that the plan components would work.
- Groundwater Team: No Update
- Surface Water Team: No Update
- Nonpoint Planning and Implementation: Positive progress on implementation on Camano Island is occurring.

**H. New Business**

Jeff Bash with Department of Ecology will present information about the new Rainwater Catchment Rule at the July 10 WRAC meeting. Public Hearings on current rule happening on June 17.

**I. Meeting Closure**

*Next meeting: July 10, Taylor Road Fire Station (Oak Harbor)*

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