



PS Watershed Management Assistance Grants

Public Workshop

November 16, 2009 1-3 pm

RFP website:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/water.nsf/Office+of+Water/WEI09RFP>

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions – Jo Henry, EPA
- Meeting Objectives – Jo Henry
- RFP – Krista Mendelman, EPA
- PSP Assistance – Joe Ryan, PSP
- Watershed Characterization – Stephen Stanley, Ecology
- Questions and Answers – Jo Henry, EPA



Meeting Objectives

- EPA present highlights of the RPF
- Puget Sound Partnership and WA Dept. of Ecology discuss connected opportunities
- Questions and Answers from audience for EPA, PSP, and Ecology



RFP Highlights

- Summary of RFP
- Goals of RFP
- Multifaceted Projects
- Types of Activities
- Outputs and Outcomes
- Match
- Submission Strategies



Summary of RFP

- **Purpose:** Provide assistance to help integrate watershed protection and land use decisions.
- **Eligible Applicants:** Local governments, federally recognized Indian Tribes, and special purpose districts.
- **Estimated Funds:** \$10,000,000
- **Number of Grants:** Approximately 15 grants
- **Grant Amount:** \$300,000 - \$1,000,000 federal funds. Required match: 33% of federal funds requested.
- **Project Length:** 2-4 years
- **Due Date:** Tuesday, January 5, 2010 4:00pm



Goals of RFP

- Local Implementation of the Action Agenda
 - Protect intact ecosystem processes, structures, and functions.
 - Restore **targeted** ecosystem processes, structures, and functions **in priority watersheds**.
 - Reduce the sources of water pollution **i.e. stormwater, nonpoint source pollution**.
 - Work effectively and efficiently together on priority actions **at the local level**.
 - Build an implementation, monitoring, and accountability management system **to connect actions to outcomes at the local level**.

By connecting land use and watershed protection

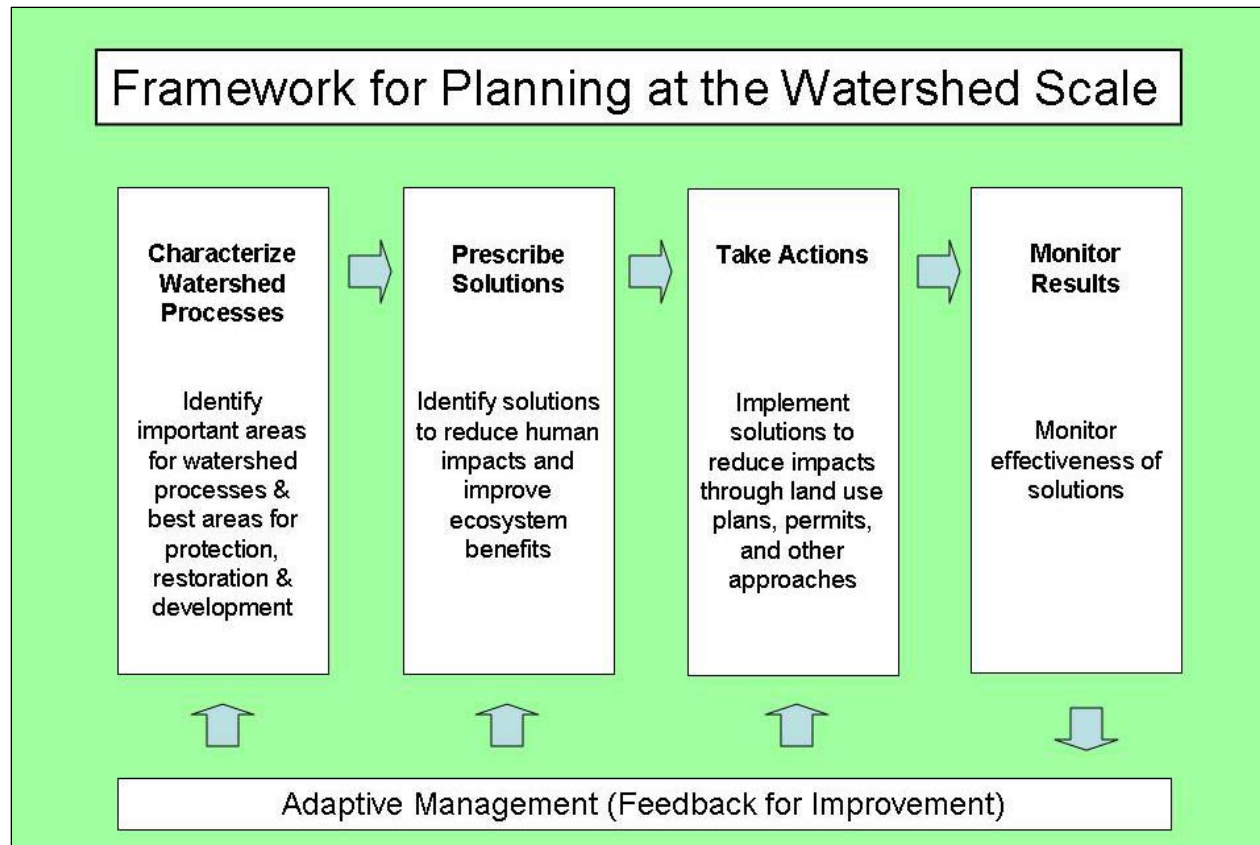


Goals of RFP (cont.)

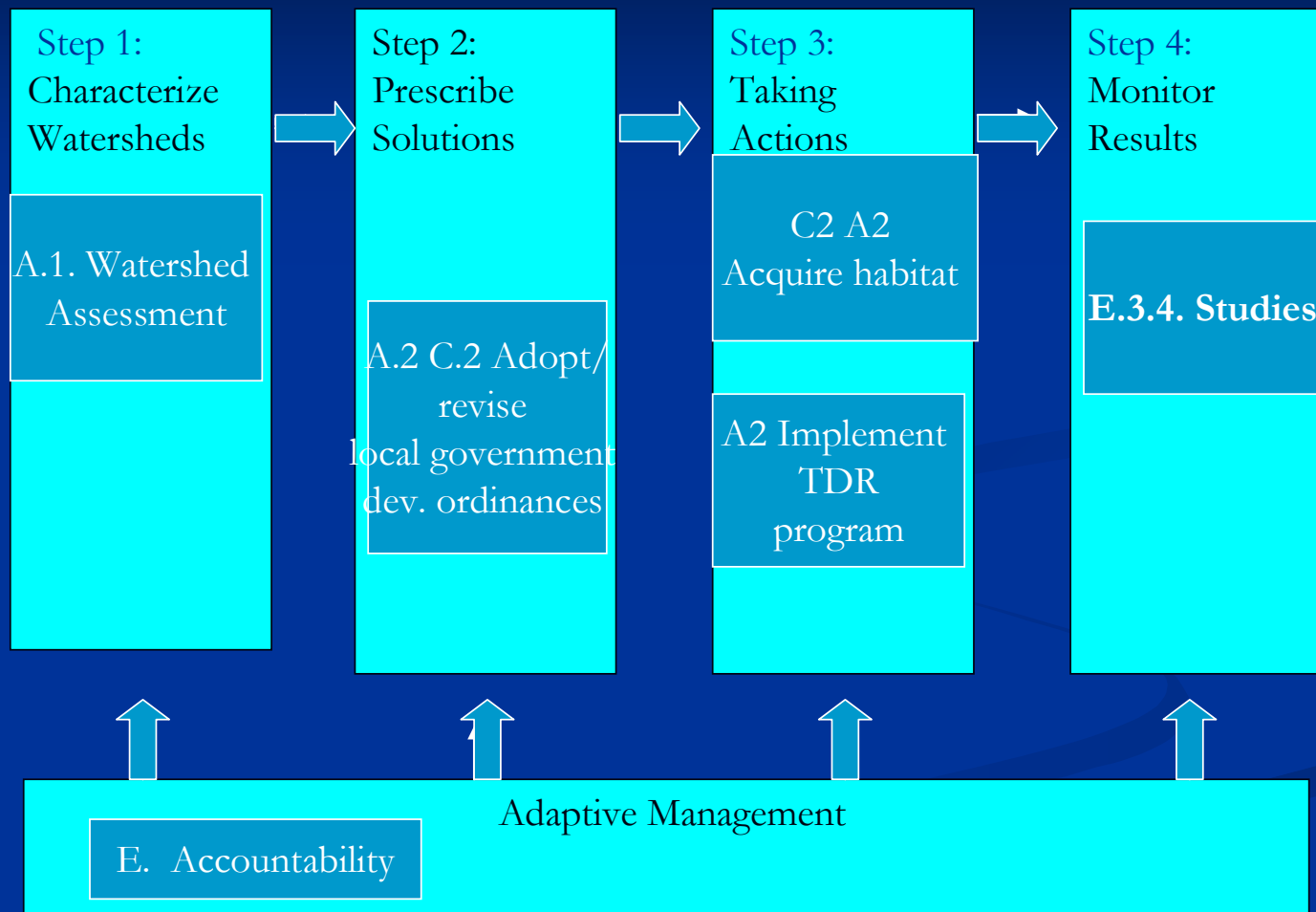
- 2011 EPA National Goals for Puget Sound
 - Upgrade water quality across 1,000 acres of shellfish growing areas.
 - Remediate and control toxic contamination over at least 200 acres of prioritized contaminated shorelines and sediments.
 - Restore and protect 3,500 acres of tidally or seasonally influenced estuarine wetlands.

Multifaceted Projects

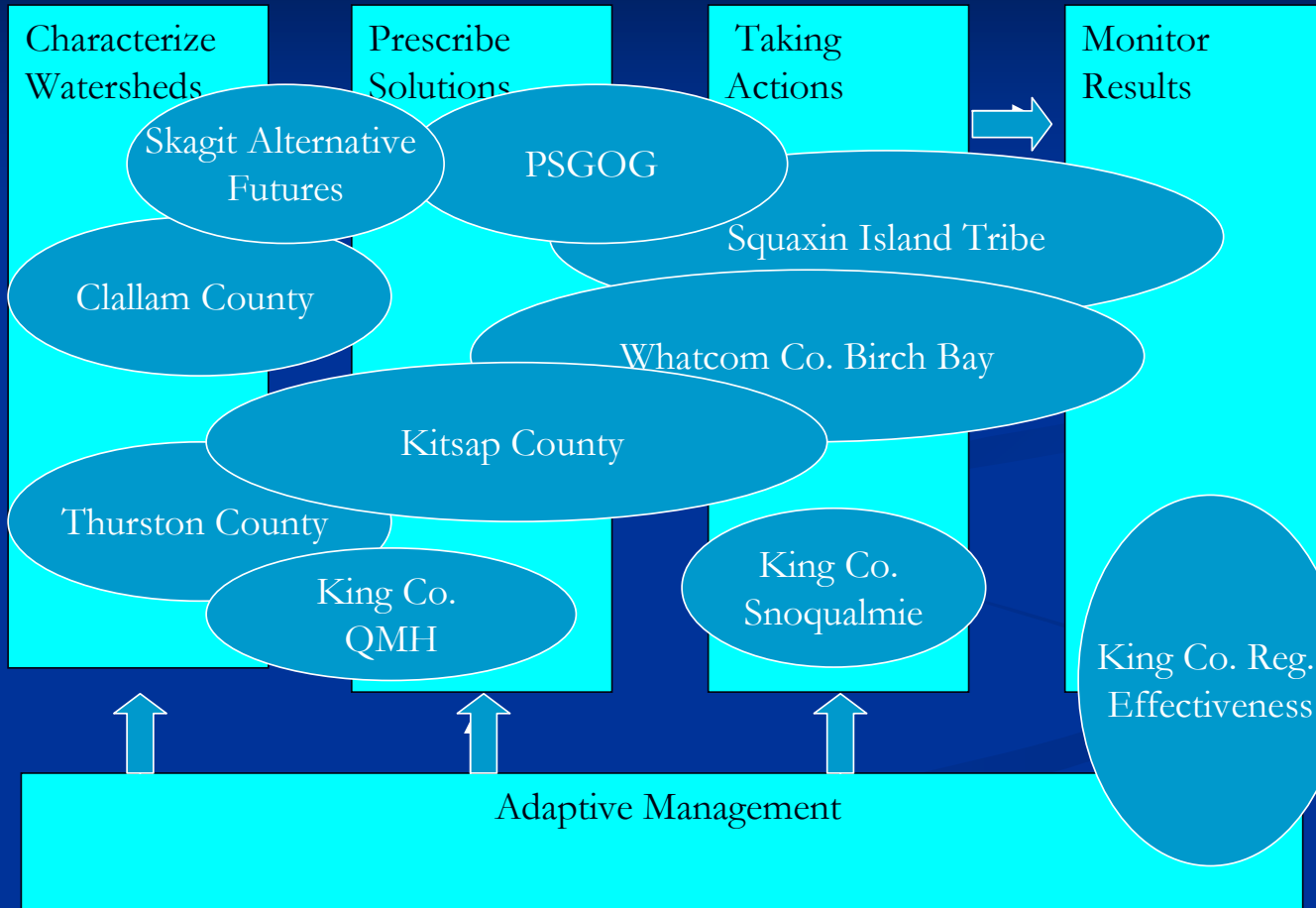
- Proposals should be multifaceted or part of a larger effort to facilitate adaptive management



Framework and the Action Agenda



Framework and EPA Watershed Grants





Types of Activities – New Tools/Innovative

- Watershed approaches to LID
- Incentives
- SUSTAIN Model
- Going beyond your stormwater permit
- Watershed characterization
- Ecosystem services valuation
- Combining existing tools in new ways



Types of Activities – Priority Work

- Watershed-based habitat restoration
- Link updates of CAO, SMA, GMA to watershed protection.
 - Help guide population growth allocations
- Recovering water quality in coastal areas to achieve targeted environmental outcomes



Outputs and Outcomes

- Connection to environmental outcomes – very important
- Logic Model – Connects goals to activities to outputs to outcomes
 - Quantitative
 - See examples on webpage
- Likelihood of success
 - Science, policy, and broad support



Match

- PSP Match is “generally related, in-kind, state program investments, not as cash funds.”
- PSP Match does not need to be specifically identified by the applicants in each proposal.
- PSP Match will be identified at a higher level for the entire package of proposals for Puget Sound.
- Applicants are responsible for a match totaling 33% of the federal amount requested. You must identify the 33% in your proposal and what activities it will fund.



“Submission Strategies” or Not

- Multiple Proposals: EPA is accepting **multiple proposals** from an entity - There are no restrictions on the number of proposals that can be submitted from any one eligible entity so long as each one is for a different project and is separately submitted.
- Additional Awards: EPA reserves the right to make additional awards under this announcement, consistent with Agency policy and guidance, **if additional funding becomes available** after the original selections are made. Any additional selections must be made within 6 months of the original selection decisions.



Additional Speakers

- Joe Ryan from the Puget Sound Partnership
- Stephen Stanley from Washington Department of Ecology



Puget Sound Partnership

- Joe Ryan - Puget Sound Partnership
 - Oral presentation only

WA Dept of Ecology

- Stephen Stanley
 - If you are on the phone, please go to Stephen's power point presentation.



Questions and Answers

- Questions from the phone.
- Questions from the room.
 - Please come to the front to ask questions so the court reporter can hear you.

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