

March 2017 VSP Newsletter Supplement

Hi folks! This is a supplement to the March 2017 Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP) Newsletter. A few things to let you know about:

THURSTON COUNTY VSP WORK PLAN SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION:

Thurston County submitted their VSP work plan to the Commission on March 9, 2017. The public is invited to comment on any VSP work plan submitted to the VSP Technical Panel within 14 days of submittal. The public can use this [public comment form](#) to capture any comments made. The work plan can be accessed from the [Commission's VSP web page here](#) or through a direct link to the work plan [here](#).

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE VSP TECHNICAL PANEL: The next meeting of the Technical Panel will be Tuesday, March 28, 2017, from 8:30 am - 11:30 am at the Lacey Conference Center (Farm Bureau offices), Harvest Room, 975 Carpenter Rd NE #101, Lacey, WA 98516. The Technical Panel will begin the review of the Thurston County VSP work plan. A draft agenda is located [here](#). The meeting will also be available by webinar. Full details will be available on the [TP web page](#). Please register for VSP Technical Panel meeting on Mar 28, 2017 8:30 AM PDT at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3717968164289281539>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email about joining the webinar.

VSP WEB PAGE - REVISED AND UPDATED: The [Commission's VSP web page](#) has been substantially revised and updated in order to be more user-friendly and to ease the access of information. Please take a look at it [here](#). A number of new items are available under the "What's new" section [here](#). Those include:

[VSP Policy Statement for the Technical Panel and Statewide Advisory Committee.](#)
[VSP Monitoring document](#) and [Toolbox Framework](#).

SUBMITTAL OF VSP COUNTY WORK PLANS IN ELECTRONIC FORMAT: VSP work plans are beginning to come to the Conservation Commission for consideration by the Technical Panel. The Technical Panel has just 45 days to complete their review. To help them facilitate their review, please submit your county VSP work plan and supporting materials to the Conservation Commission electronically.

We ask that VSP work groups please submit work plans to the Washington State Conservation Commission (SCC) in electronic format. This allows the SCC to quickly post the plans and other supporting documents on our website for public review.

Some work plan files will be very large, exceeding the 20MB limit for email attachments. We ask that work groups upload files to a cloud-based file storage system (such as Dropbox or Google Docs) and submit the file link to the SCC. If you cannot use a cloud-based system for submittal, please save work plan documents on a thumb drive and mail it to the SCC main office (PO Box 47221, Olympia, WA 98504-7721). Unfortunately we cannot accept paper documents. Please use this form [[County VSP Work Plan Submittal Form](#)] to choose cloud-based (electronic uploading), thumb drive (through the mail), or both to submit work plans. The work plan submittal form is also located on the [Commission's VSP web page](#) under the "What's new" heading.

The Commission will provide the materials to the Technical Panel as soon as possible after receipt from the County work group. Please contact [Bill Eller](#) at 509-385-7512 or [Alicia McClendon](#) at 360-407-6200 to coordinate submittal.

VSP WORK PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT: The public is invited to comment on any VSP work plan submitted to the VSP Technical Panel within 14 days of submittal. The public can use this public comment [form](#) to capture any comments made. The Technical Panel will be provided with any comments received at the end of that period. The form is available on the Commission's VSP web page [here](#).

VSP STATEWIDE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: A current roster of members to the VSP Statewide Advisory Committee (SAC) is available on the [SAC web page](#). A direct link is [here](#). The Commission is actively recruiting to fill vacancies on the SAC.

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