

**FY2018 (7/1/18 – 6/30/19)**

## **Annual Work Plan Eastern Klickitat Conservation District**

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### **Mission of the Eastern Klickitat Conservation District**

*To improve, conserve, and promote the wise use of natural resources by providing technical, financial, educational, and research assistance for landowners, users of natural resources, individuals & organizations interested in natural resource issues within EKCD.*

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### **Natural Resource Priorities:**

- Offer opportunities for landowners to sell development rights to protect farmland and keep farms operating in the traditional and natural manner while protecting habitat and wildlife. Work with Office of Farmland Preservation for funding and prioritization
- Enhance natural resources through the planning and application of an economically and environmentally sound conservation approach
- Utilize a common sense management approach with emphasis on maintaining and improving water quality conditions within the District Boundaries
- Maintain leadership in watershed planning, salmon recovery processes, and future watershed efforts.
  - Continue active role in Rock Creek TMDL process and WRIA 31 Management Plans
- Offer programs to involve cooperators in adopting conservation practices

Natural Resource Priority Program Area: **Farmland Preservation**

Goal(s): Protect high-quality agricultural land, wildlife habitat, and riparian areas from development for uses that will diminish their current availability for food and fiber production, or their habitat and water quality functions.

Natural Resource Measurable Result Objective:

Protect 6000 acres of vulnerable farmland from the threat of residential development

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective:

Finalize easement contracts on projects already in process; provide four additional landowners with information on the ACE process; attend two watershed or other relevant meetings

Funding Source(s): WSCC Implementation; Office of Farmland Preservation

Activities for FY2018	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Work with interested landowners to develop a description of each easement opportunity in CKCD and package them together for presentation to state-level funding decision makers.	June 2019	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski	13 Days	\$5,500
Solicit and acquire property appraisal. Negotiate terms of Conservation Easement. Create a property management plan. Collect baseline documentation and produce report. Develop a plan for long term monitoring of ACE.	June 2019	All Staff	91 Days	\$32,000

Natural Resource Priority Program Area: **Water Quality**

Goal(s): Maintain or improve water quality conditions in the district, with emphasis on WRIA 31 streams; continue progress toward getting Rock Creek de-listed as a Category 5 stream on the 303(D) list.

Natural Resource Measurable Result Objective:

Protect and/or restore riparian areas and reduce surface water contamination by developing off-channel livestock watering sources. Improve habitat for native salmonids in Rock Creek by reducing non-native, invasive, aquatic vegetation.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective:

Provide cost share for four water quality livestock BMPs; provide technical assistance to five landowners. Apply for funding to control Eurasian water milfoil in the pool at the mouth of Rock Creek.

Funding Source(s): Department of Ecology Centennial Clean Water and Aquatic Weeds Mgt. Fund grants  
WSSC Implementation

Activities for FY2018	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Apply for funding of water quality monitoring program and project implementation	Dec, 2018	Loren Meagher Katie Rawson Kaci Bartkowski Admin James Dunphy	17 Days	\$6,300
Continue the water quality monitoring program including all select sites Download data monthly on 2 permanent gauging stations on Rock Creek.	On-going	Kaci Bartkowski James Dunphy	60	\$12,900
Implement Aquatic Invasive Vegetation Management Program grant for control of Eurasian watermilfoil in mouth of Rock Creek	Nov 2017	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin Katie Rawson Crew Staff	65	\$23,600
Maintain presence on WRIA 31, TAG, Rock Creek STI, and other committees	On-going	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski	4 Days	\$2,000

Natural Resource Priority Program Area: **Rangeland, Forest, & Habitat Management and Wildfire Prevention**

Goal(s): Improve forest and rangeland health and protect natural resource values and functions.

Natural Resource Measurable Result Objective:

Provide technical and financial assistance to implement BMPs that reduce the risk of wildfire.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective:

Conduct outreach to inform residents of available technical and financial assistance.

Funding Source(s): Possible DNR Firewise contract

Activities for FY2019	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Identify and prioritize wildfire protection projects throughout Klickitat County and assist WSCC regional managers in securing funding for future implementation	June 30, 2019	Kaci Bartkowski Loren Meagher Admin	8 Days	\$2,900
Participate in the development of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan and Klickitat County Emergency Preparedness Plan	June 30, 2019	Kaci Bartkowski Loren Meagher Admin	7 Days	\$2600
Continue to work with WDFW and Western Pacific Timber to obtain funding for easement or property purchases to facilitate long term management of forest and range lands under a working lands conservation strategy.	June 30, 2019	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin Katie Rawson Crew Staff	44 Days	\$15,900

District Program Area: **Education and Outreach**

Goal(s): Make more people aware of natural resource issues within the District. Increase public awareness of the District and its programs, especially ACEs, water quality and the importance of riparian areas, and forest management practices to reduce fire danger and improve water quality.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective:

Publish the Klickitat Conservation Newsletter and newspaper articles in accordance with grant deliverables; County Fair booth; Home & Garden Show booth; Annual Meeting in February; annual plant sale.

Funding Sources: WSCC Implementation, Dept. of Ecology Centennial Clean Water Grants with ed/outreach tasks

Activities for FY2018	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time (Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Publish and mail semiannual newsletter	Sep, Dec 2017 March 2018	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin	4 Days	\$1,300
Participate in community events: Home and Garden Show, Chamber Forums, County Fair	May 2018	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin	3 Days	\$1,200
Conduct annual tree sale	March 2018	Kaci Bartkowski Admin Crew Staff	8 Days	\$1,900
Create new website (including web hosting and domain fees)	On-going	Kaci Bartkowski Loren Meagher Katie Rawson Admin	6 Days	\$1,900
Visit County Commissioners at least quarterly	June, Sept, Dec 2017 March 2018	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Supervisors	4 Days	\$2,000

District Program Area: **District Operations**

Goal(s): Maintain effective and efficient office operations, including accounting, and grant vouchering, supervisor elections and appointments, monthly meetings, training and development, annual planning and reporting. Maintain WSCC “District in Good Standing” designation.

Programmatic Measurable Result Objective:

Conduct monthly board meetings. Timely completion and submission of the Annual Financial Report and Schedule 22 to State Auditor; Annual Plan of Work to WSCC; monthly WSCC grant vouchers; quarterly grant reports and vouchers to DOE.

Funding Source(s): WSCC Implementation, DOE grant G1400520

Activities for FY2018	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Do all reporting, planning and other office operational procedures as required for all grants and funding sources, including TMDL, DOE, private sources and Washington Conservation Commission	As Required	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin Katie Rawson	37 Days	\$10,300
Plan and hold EKCD Annual Meeting (providing as many pesticide credits as possible)	February 2018	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin Katie Rawson	6 Days	\$1,900
Hold timely and efficient supervisor election in a manner that will include the maximum number of voters in a cost effective way.	February 2018	Kaci Bartkowski Admin	3 Days	\$600
Seek at least one funding source for operation’s and expenses associated with the Simcoe Unit	On-going	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Katie Rawson	8 Days	\$3,500
Participate in employee and supervisor training opportunities, including WADE and WACD Annual Meeting	On-going	All staff Board	14 Days	\$4,400
Maintain regular communication with WSCC Regional Manager and WACD Area Directors	On-going	Loren Meagher Kaci Bartkowski Admin	4 Days	\$1,900

# FY2018 Annual Budget EASTERN KLICKITAT Conservation District

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**INCOME:**

<b>WSCC</b>			
Implementation			\$ 65,000
Office of Farmland Preservation (administration funds)			\$ 60,000
Newell Spings NRI			\$ 62,500
Rock Creek Forest Health NRI			\$ 62,500
WSCC WWRP RCO Funds			\$ 50,000
<b>DOE Grant:</b>			
IVAMP			\$ 72,500
Funding TBD to meet need			\$ 2,000
Interest			\$ 1,000
Tree Program			\$ 8,000
Donations			\$ 200
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>			<b>\$383,500</b>

**EXPENSES:**

Wages & Benefits			\$134,500
Contracted Services			\$ 70,000
Communication & Advertising			\$ 2,000
Supplies, Tools & Equip			\$ 4,000
Travel Expenses			\$ 8,000
Insurance			\$ 4,000
Dues & Registrations			\$ 8,000
Vehicle Lease Payment (State Motor Pool)			\$ 3,000
Cost Share/Projects			\$150,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>			<b>\$383,500</b>

