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2015 – 2017 PSAR RETURN FUNDS

Allocation Request – Bear Creek Reach 6 – Phase II Construction (#16-1215)

Background: Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration (PSAR) funded projects may close short and funding returns to the regional organization, Puget Sound Partnership. According to Manual 18 policies, Lead Entities may request these funds to support an active project. The scope of work must be within the original scope of the project application reviewed by the SRFB Review Panel.

Action Request: The Bear Creek Reach 6 – Phase II Construction project requires additional funding to cover project redesign costs, costs incurred due to change in land ownership and additional costs identified during the permitting process. The watershed’s technical committee approved this project and this cost increase. The Lead Entity has no returned funds to apply to this cost increase. The funding gap identified is \$173,332, and the PSAR cost increase request is \$147,332. The project sponsor will provide \$26,000 in match (15% required). Puget Sound region staff have reviewed this request, and have determined that it meets the Return Funds policy and criteria. Funding is expected to be spent down by June 30, 2021.

This project cost increase request meets the following criteria:

- The project is on the watershed’s most current work plan it has been reviewed and approved by the SRFB
- The Lead Entity and sponsor have submitted a detailed justification of the cost increase
- The project is considered highly time sensitive
- The cost increase request has the support of their lead entity technical and citizen committees

Request to RCO: Consistent with policy described in Manual 18 and respecting the time-sensitive nature of this project, the Puget Sound region is requesting that RCO authorize Adopt a Stream’s request in the **amount of \$147,332** to the Bear Creek Reach 6 – Phase II Construction for project redesign costs, costs incurred due to change in land ownership and additional costs identified during the permitting process. The increase in funds and scope change will help ensure project completion and success.



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Thank you,

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