SKAGIT RIVER SYSTEM COOPERATIVE RESOLUTION 2020-04/01

Authorizing the Skagit River System Cooperative to enter into funding agreements with the RCO Salmon Recovery Funding Board for several research and restoration projects approved for funding in 2018 and 2019.

WHEREAS, the Skagit River System Cooperative (SRSC) is a consortium of the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe and Swinomish Indian Tribal Community formed, among other purposes, to protect treaty reserved natural resources for the cultural, subsistence and commercial use of its members, including but not limited to protecting their rights to an environment or habitat necessary to ensure both harvest and conservation of the species; and

WHEREAS, the SRSC is organized under a Charter and Bylaws ratified by the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe on February 5, 2004 and by the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community on February 3, 2004 and effective as of January 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI, §1 of the aforementioned Charter, the SRSC is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of three representatives appointed by each member tribe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VII, subpart F of the aforementioned Charter, the SRSC Board of Directors oversees the operations of the Cooperative's grants, contracts and programs; and

WHEREAS, the SRSC Research Department and Restoration Department have submitted applications for the projects listed below to the Salmon Recovery Funding Board which have been approved for funding, in accordance with the attached funding agreements with the State of Washington, by and through the Salmon Recovery Funding Board and the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO), acting through the RCO;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the SRSC Board of Directors that

1. The terms of the attached agreements with the State of Washington, by and through the Salmon Recovery Funding Board and the Recreation and Conservation Office, acting through the RCO are hereby approved for the following projects:

18-1366 Crescent Creek Restoration

18-2626 Fir Island Farm and Deepwater Slough Cattail Monitoring

18-2253 Designing Large Wood Placement in Tidal Marshes

18-2629 2018 Collaborative Skagit Riparian Restoration II

18-1500 Tenas Creek Feasibility and Preliminary Design

18-1486 Skiyou Island Floodplain Restoration

19-1422 Skagit Basin Ongoing Riparian Stewardship

19-1421 Barnaby Reach Restoration, Phase 1

- The SRSC Board Chair, Mr. Jason L. Joseph, is hereby authorized to enter into these funding agreements with the State of Washington, Salmon Recovery Funding Board and RCO on behalf of SRSC for these projects.
- 3. The SRSC Board herein provides a limited waiver of SRSC's sovereign immunity in accordance with, to the extent of, and for the purposes that are explicitly stated in the Salmon Recovery Funding Board agreements attached hereto. This waiver does not extend to and is not for the benefit of any third party and shall not be enforceable by any third party or by any assignee of the parties, not shall it extend to any other type of action or to any other forum or regarding any other matter not explicitly stated in the attached funding agreements.

CERTIFICATION

The above resolution was duly enacted by the Skagit River System Cooperative at a meeting held on April 16, 2020. The resolution was approved by a vote of 4 FOR 0 AGAINST, and 2 ABSTENTIONS.

Jason L. Joseph, SRSC Board Chair

ATTEST:

Tandy Wilbur, Secretary

Attachment:

Salmon Recovery Funding Board project agreements