

Salmon Recovery Funding Board

INDIVIDUAL PROJECT COMMENT FORM

PROJECT INFORMATION

Panel Member

Name: **SRFB Review Panel**Lead Entity: **WRIA 6**Project Location: **Whidbey Island - Island County**Project Sponsor: **Whidbey Camano Land Trust**

Project Number:

Project Name: **Skagit Bay Nearshore Habitat Protection**Date: **July 11, 2007**

Project type:

Please refer to the criteria listed below or Manual #18, Appendix C, for projects that are not considered technically sound. In the "Why" area explain your reason for selecting this as a preliminary project of concern.

1. Is this a preliminary project of concern according to the SRFB's criteria?

Yes ☒ No ☐ NMI ☐

Why?

2. If YES, what would make this a technically sound project according to the SRFB's criteria?

At the TAG meeting members discussed the possibility of substituting the 2800 feet of tideland parcels that is currently included in the "Shorecrest Lagoon" proposal for the 71 acres located behind the dikes in the "Skagit Bay" proposal. Whether the applicant wants to acquire and restore landscape processes (remove access road, etc.) on the tideland parcels as part of the larger Shorecrest proposal or as a reconstituted Skagit Bay proposal, that area seems a more promising focus than the 71 acres behind the dike. The final proposal should contain a map or aerial photos showing clearly the location and boundaries of the parcels and key infrastructure such as dikes, pump station/tidegate, and roads, and any adjoining or vicinity lands held as protected habitat/open space.

3. If NO, are there ways in which this project could be further improved?

4. Other comments.

The parcel bordering the freshwater lake does not appear to be directly linked to salmon habitat or recovery needs. Provide information on linkage to salmon habitat needs and benefits, and/or recovery to support acquisition of this parcel. Can the parcel provide shoreline riparian cover? Can the parcel be connected to estuarine habitat through the road dike?

The parcel adjoining the tidelands appeared to be diked along the shoreline to provide an access road. Discuss whether this road can be removed and the area planted to provide shoreline shading.

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Name: **Review Panel**

Lead Entity: **Island Co.**

Project
Location:

Project Sponsor: **Whidbey Camano Land Trust**

Project
Number: **07-1592A**

Project Name: **Skagit Bay Nearshore Protection**

Date: **October 25, 2007**

Project type: **Protection**

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Yes ☐ No ☒ NMI ☐

Why?

2. If YES, what would make this a technically sound project according to the SRFB's criteria?

3. If NO, are there ways in which this project could be further improved?

The proposal would be strengthened if the applicant included a statement committing to developing a restoration plan and design for the parcel within perhaps three years of the acquisition.

4. Other comments.

The wording of the "Project Description" is inconsistent with the cost summary sheet. The description should be revised to include the 40 acres of tidelands that will be acquired.

This is an important estuarine restoration area. This protection project represents a good start toward habitat restoration in Island County.

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Name: **Review Panel**Lead Entity: **Island Co.**Project
Location:Project Sponsor: **Whidbey Camano Land Trust**Project
Number: **07-1592A**Project Name: **Skagit Bay Nearshore Protection**Date: **November 6, 2007**Project type: **Protection**

Please refer to the criteria listed below or Manual #18, Appendix C, for projects that are not considered technically sound. In the "Why" area explain your reason for selecting this as a draft project of concern.

1. Is this a draft project of concern according to the SRFB's criteria?

Yes ☐ No ☒ NMI ☐

Why?

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