

## **Agenda Item: Review of Agency Monitoring Budget Proposals**

**Presentation by:** Bruce Crawford, FORUM Staff, will brief the FORUM on recent monitoring additions approved by the Legislature for the 2007-09 biennial budget and supplemental budget requests currently proposed.

### **Problem/Issue Statement**

1. The FORUM recommended funding of additional juvenile migrant monitoring, habitat and water quality monitoring, and funding a single state hydro layer. This briefing will review final results of the legislative session including existing gaps.
2. The FORUM is required to review and make recommendations concerning funding proposals by state agencies on monitoring. A supplemental budget will be prepared in the fall of 2007. At the March FORUM meeting, members wished to review supplemental requests at this meeting since the next one is not scheduled until September 26, 2007.

### **Task/Policy Addressed**

Addresses Task 7: Review and make recommendations to the office of financial management and the appropriate legislative committees on agency budget requests related to monitoring salmon recovery and watershed health. These recommendations must be made no later than September 15th of each year. The goal of this review is to prioritize and integrate budget requests across agencies.

### **Methods/Solutions Proposed**

The FORUM will be able to understand and recommend executive and legislative actions concerning state agency supplemental budget requests.

### **Attachments**

Following related material is attached to this Summary or will be presented at the meeting:

- Status of Forum Recommendations in 2007-09 Budget*
- Summary of 2008 Supplemental Budget Requests.*
- Draft Recommended Supplemental Budget Request*

### **What decision is asked of the Forum?**

1. Does the FORUM want to change the date of the next meeting?
2. Approve *Draft Recommended Supplemental Budget Request*

## Status of Forum Monitoring Recommendations in 2007-09 Budget

Forum recommendations in 2006 report to OFM	As passed by legislature and signed by Governor
<p><b>Improving monitoring</b></p> <p><i>Forum recommended implementation of an integrated salmon abundance, habitat, and water quality monitoring framework totaling <b>\$5.3M</b> for, per decision package provided by WDFW on behalf of the Forum</i></p>	
Salmon abundance	<p>WDFW \$849k (\$440k 2008; \$409k 2009)</p> <p>Funds listed juvenile fish monitoring; provides 48% of the \$1.761M for fish monitoring recommended by Forum to address statewide gaps; letter of results to the OFM and legislative committees is required</p>
Habitat and water quality status and trend monitoring	<p>Not included</p> <p>No funding of habitat portion of decision package. Will be unable to track habitat information for use in documents like SOS and salmon recovery monitoring reports</p>
- On-the-ground	Not included (same as above)
- Remote sensing	Not included (same as above)
<p><b>Improving data management</b></p>	
<p>Consolidated GIS river and stream layer</p> <p>IAC \$1.3M</p>	<p>Not included</p> <p>Forum's highest data management priority</p>
<p>Enterprise architecture for natural resource agencies</p> <p>IAC \$?</p>	Not included
<p>Consolidation of internal databases</p> <p>IAC \$1.7M</p>	Not included

Forum recommendations in 2006 report to OFM	As passed by legislature and signed by Governor
Improve Natural Resource Data Portal  IAC \$353k	Not included
<b>Other monitoring-related budget items (<i>not included 2006 Forum report</i>)</b>	
Title: Water quality monitoring consortium	Ecology 1 FTE, \$800K  Provides a venue for coordination of water quality and stormwater monitoring in Puget Sound
Title: Washington data pilot project (WDPP)	Conservation Commission \$500k  Funds implementation of the WDPP  <i>(Funds not directly available, pending resolution of new DIS process)</i>
Title: Eelgrass Monitoring	DNR \$68k
Title: Hatchery Reform	WDFW \$350K Provides money for mass marking Hood Canal chinook

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**2007 Work Plan**

<b>January 25, 2007 – NRB 172, Olympia</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and approve 2007 meeting schedule</li> <li>• Budget and legislative updates</li> <li>• Discuss monitoring in regional recovery plans</li> <li>• Initial discussion of 2007 work plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Briefly</li> <li>• Deferred</li> </ul>
<b>March 7 – NRB 172, Olympia</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review <u>draft</u> 2007 work plan</li> <li>• Presentation on CBFWA “State of the Resource Report”</li> <li>• Presentation on PCSRF report to Congress - Phase 2</li> <li>• Setting a course toward the 2008 SOS</li> <li>• Presentations from Forum subcommittees (habitat projects, barriers, implementation, fish, water, estuary/nearshore?)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Deferred</li> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Deferred</li> </ul>
<b>June 21 – NRB 172, Olympia</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review 2007-09 monitoring budget and any related legislation</li> <li>• Presentation and discussion on coordination of Intensively Monitored Watersheds in Washington</li> <li>• Presentation on PNAMP update/progress report</li> <li>• Coordination of habitat project data (e.g., PRISM, WDPP, HWS, NOAA/NWFSC, BPA/PICES)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial</li> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Done</li> <li>• Deferred</li> </ul>
<b>September 26 – NRB 172, Olympia</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation on USFS decision support system (linking indicators to management decisions)</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	
<b>December 6 – NRB 172, Olympia</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	

Parking lot:

- Monitoring coordination with the Puget Sound Partnership
- Monitoring coordination with Columbia River/BiOp
- Follow-up to 2006 Forum report to OFM (coordination of state agency monitoring/database efforts; what's most important; priorities for coordination?)