Update on LIO-related Activities

12/11/15 to Present

**December 31:** NTA owners submitted their NTAs to PSP *(copy available: Sno-Stilly LIO NTA Submittals)*

**January 18:** NTA Owners received feedback from the SITTs (Strategic Initiative Transition Teams) on their NTAs

**January 21:** SWM hired Anchor QEA consulting firm to complete Ecosystem Recovery Plan

**February 2:** LIO Support Staff submitted revised Early Elements document, addressing SITTs comments *(copy available: SITTs feedback/LIO response)*

**February 3:** NTA owners re-submitted their NTAs to PSP, incorporating SITTs feedback

**February 4:** PSP released new guidance for LIO Ecosystem Recovery Plans incorporating series of worksheets

**February 10:** LIO Coordinators Meeting, 1st worksheet due to PSP.

**February 25:** Implementation Committee meeting

- Consultants introduced; provided work plan & timeline to complete Ecosystem Recovery Plan
- SITTs comments/LIO response covered
- Reviewed NTA submittals; significance of the ranked lists of NTAs to be issued by the SITTs on 3/11
- News from PSP regarding funding distribution: each Strategic Initiative category will receive $5 million, no direct funding to LIOs.

**March 11:** SITTs released draft ranked lists of NTAs, by Strategic Initiative *(copy available)*

**March 14:** Implementation Committee meeting

- Reached consensus on Vision Statement
- Reached consensus for recommendation to EC on ecosystem components, Vital Signs and human well-being components to focus on in Ecosystem Recovery Plan
- Reached consensus on recommended changes to Bylaws; with a proposal receiving some discussion

**March 15:** EPA/PSP Meeting for LIO Leadership

- Committee members’ and NTA owners’ concerns regarding the 2016 Action Agenda NTA submittal process and new EPA funding model were compiled in a document. *(copy in 3/31 meeting packet)*
- Will Hall, SWM Director, Gregg Farris, Planning Manager, and Terry Williams, Tulalip Tribes attended and communicated these concerns.