



LIO Funding from EPA/SIL

Presentation to Sno/Stilly LIO Exec Committee
November 19, 2021



Snohomish-Stillaguamish
Local Integrating Organization

LIO Purpose & Mission

Purpose

- The purpose of the Sno-Stilly LIO is to serve as a local forum through which diverse stakeholders can work collaboratively to develop and coordinate actions to improve the health of the Snohomish and Stillaguamish watersheds, advance the [Puget Sound Action Agenda](#), and restore the environmental health of Puget Sound.

LIO Workplan

- Initially started as a 1-year workplan
- Subcommittee created and discussing project themes/barriers
- Strategic Implementation Leads (SILs) now providing an option of \$500,000 over 5 years to implement workplan

LIO Workplan Subcommittee

Members:

- Linda Lyshall, Snohomish Conservation District
- Francesca Perez, Stillaguamish Tribe
- Heather Khan, WA Dept. of Ecology
- Valerie Streeter, Tulalip Tribes
- Potential New Members: Cory Zyla and Ann Bylin

Staff:

- Kathleen Pozarycki
- Alexa Ramos-Cummings

EPA Funding Guidance

SIL Options for LIOs:

- A. LIOs can move forward directly into the 5-year co-developed workplan activities w/ \$500,000 of funding.
 - B. For the first year of this multi-year subaward, LIOs could choose to support one SIL-approved 2018 NTA for \$100,000 if it meets the NEP Funding Priorities and is approved by the appropriate SIL
 - C. LIOs could choose to support a single SIL-approved 2018 NTA for \$100,000 as above, and then opt out of additional subaward support for the remainder of this funding model.
- Snohomish Implementation Committee & Stillaguamish Watershed Council and staff recommend Option A to LIO Exec Committee

Option A Potential Actions- per SIL Guidance

- Collaborate to identify and develop Sound-wide recovery activities.
- Operationalize, adapt, connect, and/or expand Implementation Strategies.
- Work with and across local jurisdictions to understand and implement Action Agenda strategies and actions.
- Seek and participate in multi-benefit approaches and opportunities.
- Build fundraising capacity for LIOs and LIO priority projects
- Seed projects to move them closer to the implementation phase
- Provide information at multiple city and county forums to raise awareness of the Puget Sound recovery effort and provide input on specific issues.

LIO Executive Committee Recommendation

SIL Options for LIOs:

- A. LIOs can move forward directly into the 5-year co-developed workplan activities with \$500,000.
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Thank you!

Comments? Questions? Thoughts?