



Okanogan County VSP Meeting Minutes

1 A regular meeting of the Okanogan County VSP Workgroup was held on April 27, 2023 at 6:00
2 p.m. via web: Microsoft Teams Meeting and phone conference.

3 **VOULUNTARY STEWARDSHIP MEMBERS:** Jay Kehne, Dan Russell, Nathan Wehmeyer,
4 Dale Smith, Dick Ewing, Justin Stanley

5 **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

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7 **Approve Agenda:** Nathan moved Dick seconded

8 **Approve Minutes:** Nathan moved Jay seconded
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10 **Partner/Agency Updates:** Justin presented the new approved budgets from the state relating
11 to conservation work and VSP. WSCC possibly requiring monitoring plan.
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13 **VSP Basics:** Justin walked through the beginning steps of VSP. Talked about the 5 critical
14 areas, types of monitoring, adaptive management, watersheds, and data collection. The work
15 group had a long discussion about the different components of monitoring the critical areas.
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17 **VSP Roles:** Justin talked about the roles of the tech panel, Okanogan County, OCD, and the
18 work group.
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20 **Goals and Benchmarks:** Justin showed a screen shot of the implementation goals along with a
21 screen shot of his spreadsheet where he collects data. The work group asked to have a copy of
22 the work plan.
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24 **Reporting Timeline:** Justin presented the reporting timelines for the monthly reports, quarterly
25 reports, 2-year reports, and 5-year reports.
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27 **Budget/Approval:** Justin covered the current state of the VSP budget and presented a possible
28 budget for the next biennium. The work group wants to see a new proposal of the budget when
29 the state budget is finalized.
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31 **Work group Meetings:** The work group decided to meet at 5:00 on the last Thursday of the
32 quarter. For this first year they will meet quarterly and decide next January if they need to
33 change the schedule. The work group would like monthly updates via email to keep them up to
34 speed with what is happening.
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36 **Next meeting July 27th**

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38 **Adjourn 7:18 pm** Nathan moved Dan seconded