

Executive Summary

October 6, 2016

At our October 6, 2016 meeting, Casey Hawes from the USFS gave us a presentation on how to apply for retained receipts. Retained receipts is a sustainable stream of revenue that would allow us to fund projects. The downside is that other collaborative groups, like the Clackamas group has had years of applying for and receiving a larger piece of the funding. Being a new collaborative group, our short term goal is 'to get a foot in the door', start the application process in 2016 and prepare ourselves next year to be in a stronger position for funding from retained receipts. We agreed on a series of actions:

- The USFS has already a 'shovel ready' list of projects eligible for retained receipts funding.
- Casey Hawes is going to confirm whether or not we could get a four-day extension on the application deadline so that we could make an application before our November 3rd meeting.
- The application deadline does not give us sufficient time to discuss and determine our own projects, so the group will select from the 'shovel ready' list and submit an application.
- Casey Gatz will send Bill Noonan the list and appropriate descriptions of each project this week.
- Bill Noonan will create a ranking table and send it out to the attendees of the Oct.6th meeting.
- Members will rank in priority the project list and return their rankings to Bill Noonan
- Bill Noonan will tabulate the results and send them back out so that members can see where the general areas of agreement are and where we need to have further discussion.
- At the November meeting the group will decide which projects will be selected and submit an application on November 4th
- We will dedicate time in 2017 to discuss and determine our projects in time for submitting applications for the next round of retained receipts.
- The group requested a meeting with Lisa Northrop for the purpose of introducing ourselves to her and hearing her views on collaborative groups. The invitation should come from Kameron Sam and he has already been contacted and asked to make this invitation.

In other news, the fire workshop sub-committee announced the date for the Fire Workshop – November 16th. Information about the workshop and registration has already been sent out to the collaborative group.