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***Vision** - The Regional Toxics Task Force will work collaboratively to characterize the sources of toxics in the Spokane River and identify and implement appropriate actions needed to make measurable progress towards meeting applicable water quality standards for the State of Washington, State of Idaho, and The Spokane Tribe of Indians and in the interests of public and environmental health.*

INNOVATION

- An innovative approach to reduce toxic compounds in the Spokane River watershed
- Provides a “Straight to Implementation” alternative to the more complex Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) process
- Results in more effective and immediate improvements to water quality

COLLABORATION

- A partnership between tribes, private industries, environmental organizations and governmental agencies from the States of Washington and Idaho
- The goal is to develop a comprehensive plan to bring the Spokane River into compliance with water quality standards for PCB’s and other listed toxics on the Washington 2008, Category 5, 303 (d) list
- Formed in 2011, substantial progress has been by the SRRTTF and work towards evaluating, identifying and reducing toxics in the Spokane River
- Funding is required for administrative, technical support, and implementation activities from a combination of private and public sources

PROGRESS

- Developed technical studies needed to understand the sources of toxics and advance region-wide understanding of toxics in the Spokane River
- Provided a forum for the review and discussion of Spokane River toxics issues
- Participated in public education and engagement to advance the understanding of toxics issues
- Developed a Best Management Practices implementation plan
- Created and implemented a long-term monitoring plan
- Provide specific recommendations for the development of a Spokane River toxics point and non-point source reduction plan
- For a list of activities and accomplishments of the SRRTTF to date, see www.SRRTTF.org

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