## Spokane River Regional Toxics Task Force Funding Work Group Conf. Call

641-715-0857, 723394# December 5, 2018 @ 1 pm

## **Expected Meeting Outcomes**

- Identify funding needs by reviewing preliminary list of key projects
- Identify strategy and sources to meet funding needs
- Confirm Funding Work Group next steps/future meetings schedule
- 1. Welcome and introductions
- 2. Identify Funding needs
  - See preliminary draft list of key projects from Tech Track WG meeting
- 3. Identify potential strategies/grant funding sources for needs
- 4. Outline next steps and assignments
  - Follow up actions
  - Future meeting schedule

## List of future potential actions developed at 11/28/2018 Tech Track WG meeting

## **Key Projects/Activities for 2019 and Beyond:**

- LimnoTech support for ongoing Task Force support, including participating in Task Force and work group meetings, reviewing results from Ecology studies and providing other general support (Bud noted that Limnotech contract still has \$18,000 in their current contract, as of end of October 2018)
- Support the Fish Sampling work group in designing a study (data/models) that will further our understanding of what is causing the PCB concentrations in fish that we are observing in the river (yardstick of fish sampling). Determine the source(s) and avenues of exposure to focus future efforts on controls that will likely lead to a reduction in concentrations of PCBs in fish tissue.
- Integrate biofilm results with 2012 Serdar modeling work on the Spokane River.
- Conduct additional biofilm and sediment sampling, based on review and evaluation of 2018 sampling results. These and results from other studies will determine the additional sampling needs and where data should be collected. Could be a recurring activity.
- Design and implement a recurring annual instream monitoring program where results can be compared from year to year (6.1)
- Follow up on questions from previous synoptic sampling results, and design future studies as appropriate to address key data gaps
- Plan and implement PCB Mass Balance next steps (work with Bud to develop)
- Education and Outreach support for Spokane River Forum media outreach, draft action plan and website updates (work with Vikki to develop)
- Design and implement a TSCA pigment manufacturer's workshop
- Follow up on atmospheric deposition study findings and outline appropriate next steps, as applicable. Determine if the fingerprinting is indicating specific patterns?
- Plan and conduct a Tech Track Work Group-sponsored technical workshop. At this 2-day workshop, participants would review the past 5 years data and summarize what has been learned, identify key data gaps and characterize other big picture findings (and include PMF data and analysis).
   LimnoTech would play a key role in planning and supporting this workshop.
- Funding for CDM Smith to provide annual Database Management system maintenance and on-call technical support (\$15k)
- Review PMF study findings and outline next steps for better understanding likely PCB sources
- Identify activities and objectives for Green Chemistry next steps (7/1/19 forward)
- Coordinate with Ecology Green Chemistry group in Lacey and TSCA to identify planned next steps on product testing. Based on this coordination, determine next steps.
- Follow up on known contaminated sites Spokane River Upriver Dam and Donkey Island, GE site
  near Spokane River and City Parcel to confirm most recent and planned performance reviews.
   Make recommendations to Ecology on next steps