



## **December 18, 2013 VLWP 50th Meeting Summary**

The fiftieth meeting of the Vancouver Lake Watershed Partnership was held on Wednesday, December 18, 2013 from 4:00 – 6:00 pm at the Port of Vancouver Administrative Offices.

### **Attendance:**

#### **Member Present**

Lehman Holder  
Don Jacobs  
Gary Kokstis  
Thom McConathy  
David Page  
Jacquelin Edwards  
Vernon Veysey  
Brian Carlson  
Iloba Odum  
Ron Wierenga  
Patty Boyden  
Bruce Wiseman  
Eric LaBrant

#### **Member Seat**

Citizen  
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City of Vancouver  
WA Dept. of Ecology  
Clark County Environmental Services  
Port of Vancouver  
Port of Ridgefield  
Fruit Valley Neighborhood

#### **Other Agency Members Present:**

Dorie Sutton  
Annette Griffy  
Jeff Schnabel  
Julie Rawls

#### **Association:**

City of Vancouver  
City of Vancouver  
Clark County Environmental Services  
Port of Vancouver

#### **Project Management Team:**

Phil Trask  
Eileen Stone  
Alex McManus

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#### **Not in Attendance:**

Debrah Marriott  
George Medina  
Julie Hannon  
Allen Lebovitz  
Anne Friesz  
Jane Van Dyke  
Doug Quinn  
Joe Laxson

Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership  
US Army Corps of Engineers  
Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation  
WA Dept. of Natural Resources  
WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife  
Citizen  
Clark Public Utilities  
Clark County Public Health

### **Opening of Meeting**

Phil Trask welcomed everyone to the 50th Partnership meeting and reviewed the agenda.

### **Public Comment**

Phil asked for any public comment. No public comment was brought forward.

### **Partnership Discussion of the Recommendations Report**

The discussion began with Phil giving the Partnership some report development background. The draft forwarded to the Partnership on December 11, 2013 represents the third major draft of the Recommendations report. Significant changes included more detail on action costs, text changes to the Ecology study, updates to report graphics, and other editorial suggestions made at the December 3<sup>rd</sup> Partnership meeting. At the time of this meeting, four Partnership members had already signed the report.

The Partnership then discussed the distribution strategy for the report. Each Partnership member will be provided a full color, signed copy of the final report at the January 28, 2014 meeting. For distribution to the public and agency officials, the PIO's from the County, City, and Port will be meeting to create an appropriate strategy. Agency Partnership members suggested the possibility of having a press release for the media and workshop or work session with agency staff.

Thom McConathy suggested that many of his written comments were not incorporated into the latest draft. Phil reminded everyone that edits to content were only incorporated into the report if they were brought up in front of the entire Partnership at the December 3, 2013 meeting and the Partnership agreed to include them at that time. However, all spelling, grammar, readability suggestions were accepted. The possibility of appending a minority viewpoint to the report was discussed but a definitive decision was not reached.

### **Signing of the Recommendations Report**

Phil asked each Partnership member in attendance to give a comment about the past, present, and/or future of the lake, the report, or the Partnership as they signed the report. Each Partnership member shared a story or comment, highlighting the work the Partnership has done, the sense of community and trust the Partnership has fostered, and overall appreciation for the lake and all the hard work fellow Partnership members have put in over the years.

### **Close of Meeting**

Phil thanked the group for their work and closed the meeting. Cake was served to Partnership members at the end of the meeting.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

#### Partnership:

Tuesday, January 28, 2014, 4-6 pm

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