

Pomme de Terre River One Watershed, One Plan

Planning Timeline:

<i>Activity</i>	2018	J 19	F 19	M 19	A 19	M 19	J 19	J 19	A 19	S 19	O 19	N 19	D 19	J 20
Prioritize & Target	X													
Measurable Goals	X	X	X	X	X									
Implement Schedule	X	X	X	X	X									
Draft Plan	X	X	X	X	X									
Formal Reviews						X	X	X	X					
Public Hearings										X				
State Review										X	X	X	X	
Local Adoption														X

Meeting began at 9:35AM- Stevens County Court House

Attendees: Joe Montonye, Greg Lillemon, Andy Rice, Danny Tuckett, Adam Maleski, Aaron Larson, Ben Underhill, Bill Kleindl, & Stephanie Adams.

Partners discussed comfort level with the planning process thus far and reflected on items that have and have not worked in preparation for other One Watershed, One Planning areas along with the continuation of the Pomme de Terre. Some discussed expectations for the completion of this plan included; improved communication between all parties, a clear timeline for remaining tasks, reduced use of jargon and acronyms, and clear distinction that the plan should be ultimately approved by Local Government entities before it is passed on to the Policy Committee, this may include a more Local - focused review process. Discussion also included plan format and the expectations of the Executive Summary (i.e. should have overview of issues, goals, and activities organized by planning area)

Committee reviewed the “Plan Status” update provided by EOR, indicating how far along we are on each of the Planning sections.

Implementation Schedule/Altered Hydrology:

Partners discussed Altered Hydrology activities and their measurability. Due to the many uncontrollable factors in addressing altered hydrology, the partners have decided to measure progress on a project-by-project basis that may not include direct acre-feet of storage.

- Goal 1: Reduce annual runoff by 0.25-0.5 inch of runoff (or 23,333 - 12,000acre feet) at the outlet of the Pomme de Terre River Watershed
 - o Implement X acres of perennial vegetation including the use of state and federal enrollment programs. (Metric: Total year-end acres with perennial cover (include acres from DNR and USFW). Tracked annually)
 - o Complete X Acres of Wetland Restoration (Metric: Total year-end acres with perennial cover (include acres from DNR and USFW). Tracked annually and storage volume provided in acre-feet)
 - o Implement Agricultural BMPs based on PTMApp top-ranked fields for structural practices addressing storage. (Number of BMPs implemented and acre-feet of storage if associated)

- Implement Agricultural BMPs based on PTMAApp top-ranked fields for non-structural practices. (Metric: Total year-end acres with soil-health practices under single and multi-year contracts. Tracked annually. *A process for better understanding and tracking adoption rates will also be explored through activities focused on Soil Health under Socioeconomics.*)
- Goal 2: No increase in runoff in non-contributing areas during peak run-off periods
 - Identify locations of non-contributing areas (to the PdT River or tributaries) for the 100-year snowmelt/rainfall events and/or 10-year/24-hour summer rainfall event.
 - Pursue Lake / basin management plans for controlled lake outlets.
- The committee also discussed the Public Ditches map and potential collaboration with the Ditch Authorities. Ultimately, the Partners decided that this was not a priority for the majority of the watershed. Bill Kleindl said he would check in with Matt and engineers for Stevens County but said the potential for collaboration at this time was unlikely. Other ways to still involve the Ditch Authorities could come through Socioeconomic activities that aim to collaborate with the various county and city officials.

Google Docs:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1WO_7GgZJKsMHYArL_aWGPUVSlr0J5iF

Stephanie explained the Google Docs set-up and how it will be utilized moving forward with the planning process. Instructions will be added to the Google Docs page as well (Titled “4/3-INSTRUCTIONS”).

DEADLINES:

The following are items that need review by the Committee and their deadlines:

- **Implementation Schedule:** Completed and reviewed by each County & SWCD by **APRIL 17th**
 - Edit in Google Docs using **RED FONT**, indicate date completed on first page where highlighted
- **Accounting of Local Funds:** Reviewed by each County & SWCD by **APRIL 24th**
 - Edit in Google Docs using **RED FONT**, indicate date completed where highlighted
- **Existing Programs_Draft:** Review and comment by **APRIL 24th**
 - Review and provide comment via Google Docs (ensure “Suggesting” mode is on). Indicate name and date completed on first page where highlighted
- **Plan Admin & Coordination_Draft:** Review and comment by **APRIL 24th**
 - Review and provide comment via Google Docs (ensure “Suggesting” mode is on). Indicate name and date completed on first page where highlighted.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 1st, 2019

Meeting Adjourned at 12:45PM