

KITSAP/GIG HARBOR/ISLANDS ACTION PLAN & CHARACTERIZATION

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APPENDIX “A”

EXPLANATION OF ACTION ITEMS

Nonpoint source pollution is inherently related to the activities and land uses of watershed residents. In order to address the problem of nonpoint pollution, the Kitsap/Gig Harbor/Islands Watershed Committee chose to organize nonpoint pollution source control into six generalized categories: agriculture & forestry, boats and marinas, on-site sewage, stormwater/ erosion, other, and general. Each source has its own chapter which includes a definition of the problem as it exists within the watershed, an analysis of existing programs for addressing the problems, goals and objectives of each subcommittee for dealing with their particular pollution source, and specific pollution source control *Action Items*.

Action Items are also listed in the “Appendices” in two tables; one by item in numerical-order, and the second in alpha-order by Implementer.

The intent of the source control *Action Items* is to describe tasks which, if completed, will improve water quality. In an effort to facilitate implementation of these *Action Items*, specific information has been provided. These elements are described below.

Title

In bold lettering, the title describes the main thrust of the *Action Item*.

Narrative

The narrative provides an explanation of the intent of the *Action Item* and describes the actions to be taken in the course of implementing the item. One *Action Item* may include a number of separate elements to be accomplished. Elements identified by “(1)”, “(2)”, etc. indicate separate tasks necessary to fully implement an *Action Item*. Number designations may be used to separate out costs, funding sources, funding types, time frames, and startup dates which are unique to specific tasks within the *Action Item*.

Lead Implementer

This is the entity or agency which will be held accountable for the implementation of the *Action Item*. The Lead Implementer is not necessarily the funding source, but *it is the responsibility of the lead Implementer to pursue funding sources*.

Cooperators

These are groups and agencies which would be asked to participate in the implementation of the *Action Item*, or at least consulted.

Estimated Cost

This is an estimate of the amount of funding required by the lead Implementer in order to fulfill the terms of the *Action Item*. These figures were often estimated from the number of person-hours required to complete the tasks.

Potential Funding Source

This identifies the agency which will be requested to provide monies to cover the cost of implementation. Sometimes a lead Implementer's budget is determined by contributions received from local governments. In those cases, the lead Implementer will need to ask the local government for more funding to implement the *Action Item* and the local government is designated as the funding source. If a specific grant program (such as the Centennial Clean Water Fund) is identified, it is assumed that other sources of grant funding will be pursued if the specified grant is not available. The lead Implementer will attempt to identify alternate funding sources if the identified funding source is unable to finance the action. *It is the responsibility of the lead Implementer to secure funding.*

Potential Funding Type

Care was taken to limit additional tax burdens. Most actions either identify grants or modification of existing programs. How the funding source will support the financing of the *Action Item* is explained. Funding types include: grants, fees, general funds, rates, fines, loans, deposits, and allocations. Grants may require the identification of a source of match. Fees are generated by charging for a specific, one-time service, such as a building permit. Rates are charged for ongoing, regular services such as water and garbage collection. Allocations refer to contributions by a number of jurisdictions based on the size of their populations.

Benefit

It is assumed that improved water quality is a benefit of every *Action Item*. Additional benefits are explained under this heading.

Type of Source Control

This element describes the approach to improving water quality taken within the *Action Item*. Approaches include: education, voluntary incentives, maintenance and operations, coordination, regulatory, research, capital improvement, and financing.

Time Frame

This indicates whether or not the *Action Item* is a one-time project with a definite end point or an ongoing program.

Startup Date

This element establishes the time in which the lead Implementer would begin the *Action Item*. Some *Action Items* may need to be delayed until other actions or action items are completed. These time frames are based on the assumption that the ACTION PLAN will be quickly adopted.