

Board Meeting 8-5

Mark, Duane, Kevin, Steve L., Steve M., Bill, Dave, Jeff, Shawn, Austin

Koke genetic study - Jeff

- Jeff did work at NOAA using microsatellites
- Talked to WDFW, using SNPs, should be easier than microsatellites
 - Can donate lab time and expertise if we give consumables
 - Compare to other populations
 - Historic kokes as reference point
- Jeff interested in koke restoration in Lk WA tributaries
 - Reasonably good environment in Lk WA
 - Some resistance based on not knowing enough about genetics
- More knowledge - possibly more projects, more funding
- Board approves \$ for Jeff's grant request
- Jeff has salmon restoration acct to which donations/funds can be transferred easily, get recognized by university as donor

Salmon watching program, north end

- Take section of stream, watch it for x amount of time, count salmon
- Hard to get good numbers/carcasses bc of otters
 - Nice to have quick heads up
- Jeff set up website with info to volunteer, report data
- Good for getting community involved
 - Mark will email members, post links
- Covers all species of salmon, write down what you see
- Jeff developing online materials to train volunteers
- Loop into salmon in classroom programs?
 - Allow kids to see the full cycle
- Shouldn't be an issue with covid

Spawning Grounds

- Give watch code to members, zoom forum
- Or upload vid with private link
- Probably on the 8/19

~\$18,000 in bank - Kevin

Suction Dredge - Steve M

- Concern of miners ignoring law after it got passed
 - Currently no enforcement capacity
 - Tried to WDFW to enforce
 - Miners seem to be complying

Meeting with WDFW commissioners, Columbia R gillnetting proposal - Steve M

- Presented TU position - can't put gillnets in without causing bycatch problems with wild fish
- Other catching method proposed, driving fish into holding areas, pick which ones to keep. More selective
- Need more data
- Next task, look for funding for study on bycatch
- Wild Fish supports

Orcas Isl. Koke captive brood program, very healthy - Dave

Perchathons - Dave, Austin

- Secured WDFW permits
- Still waiting on Redmond permit, need to move to phase 3 reopening first
- Will be difficult securing prizes

Wrapping up Laughing Jacobs feasibility study - Dave

- Tibbetts crk project ready to go for fall
 - Hiring Snoqualmie tribe
 - Planting events if that allowed

Possibly another fish release event for October

- Tribe not committing to events at this time

Website- have links open up a new tab by default instead of navigating away - Shawn

- Don't want to take ppl off site