

Grant County VSP WG Meeting June 20th, 2024
CBCD Board Room & Zoom
10:00 Am-12:00 PM

Attendance: Chris Young, Eric Pentico, John Preston, Matt Harris, Dan Dormaier,

CBCD Staff: Deanna Elliott, Elliott DeLong, Kaley Wisher, Harold Crose, Britton Baker, Audrey Rhodes

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by E. DeLong at 10:01 AM.

Public Comment: None

Approval of April 2024, Quarterly Grant VSP Meeting Minutes: Correction – None

Motion by J. Preston to accept the Quarterly Grant VSP Meeting Minutes, as presented, seconded by H. Crose, motion carries.

Reports: - None

Budget - The budget was updated to reflect through May 31, 2024. Technical assistance for VSP and Washington State Conservation Commission is the targeted support of the conservation district to development and support conservation concerns or needs within the boundaries of the district.

Individual Stewardship Plans (ISP) – Currently 2 new VSP applicants.

Monitoring Plan - Columbia Basin Conservation District provided an update on monitoring plan development activities. Deanna Elliott reviewed the Grant County VSP monitoring program project charter and statement of work. The group was in support of submitting the document as is and will continue to develop the document during the fall quarterly VSP meeting.

Chris Young mentioned that Grant County will be developing a monitoring plan for Shrubsteppe as part of their Shrubsteppe Mitigation and Banking Program. VSP will use the monitoring plan developed by the county in a monitoring plan specific to VSP.

Chris Young mentioned that Grant County is performing an agricultural lands analysis that could potentially be used to develop monitoring procedures for agricultural viability for VSP.

Deanna Elliott read through the monitoring plan explaining each section. Chris Young added that the monitoring plan must reference the Grant County, Washington - Municipal Code, Title 24, Chapter 24.08, Article V. The group was in support of submitting the document in draft form and will complete the document and provide approval during the fall quarterly Adams VSP work group meeting.

Groundwater monitoring is scheduled to take place between September and October 2-24.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned by E. DeLong at 11:43 AM.

Next Meeting will be in September 2024 and will be a hybrid meeting at CBCD's boardroom.