

# Hood Canal Coordinating Council

JEFFERSON, KITSAP & MASON COUNTIES;  
PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM & SKOKOMISH TRIBES

Special Meeting of the Hood Canal Coordinating Council Board of Directors:  
**For the Community Engagement Steering Committee**

7 October 2015

2:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Via teleconference and at the Hood Canal Coordinating Council offices  
17791 Fjord Drive, NE, Suite 124, Poulsbo, WA

## MEETING SUMMARY

### Board Steering Committee Members

Dave Herrera, Skokomish Tribe (present)

Jeromy Sullivan, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (not available)

Terri Jeffreys, Mason Board of County Commissioners (present)

HCCC Staff: Scott Brewer and Robin Lawlis

### Call to Order and Approval of Meeting Agenda

Terri Jeffreys, Chair, approved the agenda. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss nominations and recommend winner(s) to the HCCC Board of Directors for the Hood Canal Environmental Achievement Awards event on November 6, 2015.

*Document distributed:* 2015 Environmental Achievement Awards Nominations and criteria

The merits of each nomination was discussed and compared to the criteria. In the future the committee would like to consider new criteria for approval of the full Board. Examples include:

- Categorize by themes or program efforts, such as salmon, habitat, community
- Narrow nominations to one outstanding winner each year, with the other recognized as honorable mentions, thanking them for their contributions and service
- Open to people and groups who have been awarded in the past
- The event discussions could include reviewing what was accomplished in the year and the benchmarks we hit

Staff will draft a document with criterial for consideration.

The committee focused on the efforts and results of community groups and broad coalitions, as well as the whole health of the Hood Canal or region, rather than individuals of companies and government whose responsibility it is to perform the work. It was acknowledged that these employees often go above and beyond job duties to achieve results.

It was suggested that HCCC Board and staff make an effort to create a connection with the Newberry Hill Heritage Park (NHHP) Stewards to share resources.

The recommended award winners are:

- Beards Cove Community Organization
- Newberry Hill Heritage Park (NHHP) Stewards

Other noteworthy nominees are:

- Amy Georgeson, Washington Department of Health
- Navy Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Partnership in Hood Canal
- Olympic Forest Coalition (OFCO)
- Seth Book, Skokomish Tribe
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- Thom Johnson, Point No Point Treaty Council

Staff will submit the full list and reasons for the nominations to the Board's for approval of the two winners at the 13 October 2015 regular Board meeting and will also recommend that all nominees be recognized and thanked for their efforts at the November 6, 2015 awards celebration.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:05 PM.