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DUNGENESS RIVER MANAGEMENT TEAM

Meeting of August 10, 2005

Notes Prepared By:

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(Note: Meeting was only recorded for agenda item #3)

Team Members and Alternates Present

Peter Schroeder, Riverside Property Owner

Al Moore, Riverside Property Owner

Tyler Ahlgren, Protect the Peninsula's Future

Virginia Clark, Dungeness/Quilcene Planning

Cathy Lear, Clallam County

Hansi Hals, Alt. North Olympic Land Trust Les

Jones, Alt. Dungeness/Quilcene Planning

Shawn Hines, Alt. Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

Scott Hagerty, US Forest Service

Others Present

Byron Rot, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe; Carol Creasey, Clallam County.

I. Introductions / Review Agenda / Approval of Minutes

Al Moore, Vice Chair, opened the meeting and introductions were conducted.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of July 13, 2005 were tabled for the September meeting due to lack of a quorum (9 out of 12 voting members).

Public Comment Period

Pete Schroeder noted that there is an abandoned vehicle on Clallam County easement property (within 60 feet of the Dungeness River near Pete's property). The vehicle has been there for at least three weeks, and Pete thinks it's the County's responsibility to remove it. Cathy Lear suggested that Pete contact both the Washington State patrol and Win Slota of the Clallam County Department of Community Development, the County staff person in charge of dealing with junk vehicles.

Scott Hagerty noted that the Slab Camp area (in the northwest part of the Forest) is dealing with abandoned vehicles, as well. Scott suggested that the County chain gang may be of help in removing abandoned vehicles.

Pete also commented that one of the ditches of the Cline Irrigation District is running a significant amount of irrigation water, even though the neighborhood it serves agreed not to use the water beginning July 20th.

II. DRMT Ground Rules / Procedures

This agenda item was tabled for the September meeting, due to lack of a quorum (9 out of 12 voting members) of DRMT representatives

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III. U.S. Forest Service Updates, *Scott Hagerty*

Scott Hagerty provided an update of U.S. Forest Service activity with regard to junk vehicle removal, Title 2 Funds for restoration work, the Collaborative Stewardship Project, commercial thinning, small timber sales and road decommissioning.

In discussing the Collaborative Stewardship Project, Scott announced that the DRMT would be invited to be a part of the Collaborative Stewardship Team, which would help prioritize restoration projects (on-the-ground projects) that will be paid for by funds (\$80,000) generated from 70 acres of commercial thinning. Scott will provide a PowerPoint presentation to the Team in October to solicit interest in the Stewardship Team. The Stewardship Team will hopefully be an on-going group. For more information, please contact Scott.

IV. Jimmycomelately Creek and Estuary Restoration Field Trip, *Byron Rot*

Byron Rot led attendees to the Creek site, and explained the purpose of the logjams that were installed and discussed the status of the overall project. Updates include the following:

- Re-vegetation plantings have occurred, a bridge on Highway 101 was built to accommodate the new channel, the new channel has been connected, and part of Old Blyn Highway has been removed.
- Railroad pilings were removed last month from the estuary, and the estuary has been re-graded.
- Dean Creek and estuary restoration has begun.
- The DOT is currently working on a wetlands mitigation project near the mouth, which will create estuary channels and will re-grade the area to original estuary elevations.
- Removal of the delta cone (in the area of the old channel riparian zone north of Old Blyn Highway) will begin once construction for the wetland restoration project is completed. Expected completion date of this work is the end of September.
- The JCL summer chum broodstock trap will be installed under Hwy 101 bridge, around Labor Day. It will be in place until the run ends about mid-October.

V. Adjourn