

February 10, 2021, STAC meeting briefer.

MINI GRANT REQUESTS

We received three applications, with a total ask of about \$4.6K. If all are approved, the mini-grant fund would have about \$31,000 available for the remainder of the biennium. Project applications are available by using this link [Mini-grant applications](#).

Project Number	Project Name	Request Amount
MG-21-10	Nestucca Anglers Seine & Scale 2022	\$1,900.00
MG 21-11	Waldport HS	\$803.49
MG 21-12	Bull Trout Education	\$1,900.00
		\$4,603.49

All three have local signatures. 21-12 is currently not able to be funded as written as we cannot award to a private citizen or business. However, we have located a non-profit sponsor accept the award if recommended.

1. **Ask for STAC – Review and recommend projects for approval.**

STEP PROJECT REVIEW

Every 5 years STEP propagation projects are up for renewal, a portion of the renewal process includes getting feedback from the public through STAC in the form of a recommendation form STAC. Please note the production of the fish raised at these facilities has been previously approved through Commission adopted plans and these proposals are consistent with those plans. STACs review should look beyond the fish releases and production and be centered more on the implementation and success of operations. A copy of the proposals are available through the links below.

- [Munsel Creek](#) – No comments or concerns raised during internal review. Public comment will be shared at meeting.
- [Depoe Bay](#) – No comments or concerns raised during internal review. Public comment will be shared at meeting.
- [Letz Creek](#) – internal comments included some minor issues with consistency of the language in the application related to basin releases and they identified a need for staff to evaluate the spawning matrix. Public comment will be shared at meeting.

1. **Ask for STAC – Review projects and public feedback to provide recommendation for each project.**

STEP RULEMAKING

The rulemaking subcommittee has meet several times since December and defined their charter. As directed by the Commission the subcommittee has worked on rules related to STAC that did not previously exist. Members will present these and outline forthcoming changes and timelines. A copy of the [draft rules](#) is available at this link. Following the presentation on the rules STAC will solicit public feedback and then work section by section through the rules to provide recommendations to the rules committee. STAC will be given a second opportunity to review and make a recommendation on rules when the entire revised rule set is presented at the October STAC meeting.

Below is the anticipated rulemaking timeline. Sections highlighted below identify the five opportunities for public feedback on the rules and the rulemaking process. The bold is where we are currently in the process. Feel free to invite any interested parties from your local area to attend.

October 2021	STAC	Presented concept of rulemaking, established sub-committee
Dec 21-Jan 22	sub-committee	Developed proposed draft of board operations related rules
February 2022	STAC	Present board related rules, solicit public feedback and ideas.
Feb-April	sub-committee	Work on operations and project review rules,
May 2022	STAC	Present current draft at STAC, solicit public feedback and ideas.
May-October 2022	sub-committee	Revise/develop remaining sections, hold public input sessions if necessary
October 2022	STAC	Present final draft of proposed rules for STAC recommendation.
October-November 2022	sub-committee	Revise/refine based on STAC recommendations
November 2022	staff	Submit rules for adoption.
December 2022	staff	Present to Commission for adoption

1. **Ask for STAC – Review draft rules and public testimony and provide recommendations to sub-committee.**

STEP ANNUAL REPORT

The 2021 STEP annual report has been posted to the STEP website. STAC is scheduled to present this at the June 2022 Commission meeting. I will be sharing a draft version of the presentation and be soliciting feedback from STAC on the layout and content. In the following month the chair and I will work to finalize the content and likely present a final version at the May STAC meeting.

1. **Ask for STAC – provide recommendations for content and layout.**

BOARD RECRUITMENTS

Due to delays associated with the new recruitment process the mid-Coast and Upper Willamette positions are still under review, we hope to have recommendations to the Governor's Office this month with appointments to occur in March.

The terms for the North Coast, Umpqua, and Upper Rogue positions are coming up for renewal in mid 2022. We have opened a recruitment for all three through March 15th.

1. **Ask for STAC – share with interested parties submit your application for renewal**

MEMBER TRAINING

Please keep on the lookout for notices from workday or the Governor's Office regarding mandatory annual trainings for board members. You will need to log in to workday to complete the training.

1. **Ask for STAC – complete training in a timely manner**

NEXT STAC MEETINGS

The next meeting is scheduled for May 19-20 in Bend. Since the February meeting was online do you want to still go to Bend or move it to Salem? Please remember if we do not have valid and viable reasons to travel for a meeting, we will likely need to hold it virtually. I am looking for input from STAC on topics and tour ideas to solidify the reason to travel. Currently only the following agenda items are known about

- Rulemaking – focused on program operation and project review rules
- Final annual report presentation
- Update from mini-grant review committee
- More propagation proposal renewals

1. **Ask for STAC – provide recommendations for meeting and tour topics.**

MINI GRANT REVIEW UPDATE

The subcommittee is scheduled to meet for the first time on February 16th.

1. **Ask for STAC – NA**