

**Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) and PSAR 2009 Grant Cycle
Snohomish River Basin (WRIA 7)
Snohomish Lead Entity
Letter of Intent

Project Name

Project ID # in Habitat Work Schedule

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1. Project Description:
Please provide a short, concise description of your project that includes information regarding the current status of the project, the landowner support, and any other relevant information (Please limit to 1,500 characters, including spaces)

The Qwuloolt Estuary Restoration Project represents a broad-based interagency and community effort to restore 300 acres of critical estuary and stream habitats within the Snohomish River estuary and improve salmon access to over 16 miles of stream channel. Over the past few years, Tulalip Tribes, in partnership with US Fish and Wildlife Service, NOAA, Washington Department of Ecology, US Army Corps of Engineers, the City of Marysville and other project partners, completed final property acquisitions, project feasibility, design, and permitting tasks using a 2005 SRFB, 2007 PSAR, and other local and federal funds. As of March 2009, we have completed the project to a 35% design level including engineering plans and construction cost estimates. We have also completed Historic/Cultural Resources and ESA consultations and secured our 404 and 401 WQ Certification. In April, we will submit local permits (shoreline, grading, HPA) with the City of Marysville and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. We expect to complete the final design and construction bid process by August 2009 to begin restoration work by the end of the year. In this application, we propose to use \$750,000 in PSAR funds to pay for a portion of the \$6.8 million costs for construction. These PSAR funds, combined with other local funds, will be matched to leverage approximately \$5 million in U.S. Army Corps of Engineer Puget Sound and Adjacent Waters Restoration Program Funds.

2. Evidence that the project is part of a recovery plan or lead entity strategy:
Please provide a brief summary of how the project fits in the Snohomish River Basin Salmon Conservation Plan – for instance, which sub-basin strategy group it is in, the project ID in the 3-Year Work Plan (200)8 or what assessment the project was developed from.

This project contributes to the Snohomish Basin Salmon Recovery Plan’s (2005) 10 year restoration target for the Tier 1 Priority Estuary Sub-basin Strategy Group by restoring 300 acres of the 1,237 acres identified as critical juvenile rearing habitat in the estuary.

3. Budget Approximation:
Please provide estimates for your SRFB request for the project, the matching funds for your project (15% of total cost minimum, except for feasibility projects which require no match), and the total project cost (Note: The total project cost **must** equal the sum of the SRFB request and matching funds)

SRFB Request:	\$750,000.00	Matching Funds: USACE, Puget Sound and Adjacent Waters Restoration Program
Matching Funds:	\$250,000.00	
Total Project Cost:	\$1,00,000.00	