



FOCUSED INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS

CAPACITY-BUILDING

Application Section I: Applicant Information

1. What is the name of your partnership (from your Capacity-Building letter of intent)?

Wallowa Fish Habitat Restoration Partnership

2. OWEB funds requested: \$83,490.00 3. Total cost of project[†]: \$171,160.00

[†] This dollar amount refers only to the total cost of the capacity-building activity, and does not include any subsequent planned restoration work.

Project Location

4. Indicate the OWEB region in which the partnership operates.

- Region 1: North Coast
- Region 2: Southwest Oregon
- Region 3: Willamette Basin
- Region 4: Central Oregon
- Region 5: Eastern Oregon
- Region 6: Mid Columbia

5. Identify the county or counties in which the project is located. Wallowa

6. Identify the latitude, longitude coordinate (e.g., -123.789, 45.613) that represents the approximate center of your project area. 45.425, -117.276

Certification

Regardless of who wrote the application, it must be signed by the main point of contact for the partnership, identified in the Letter of Intent. By signing, the main point of contact certifies that all the information accurately reflects the partnership, and that the partners are prepared to pursue the work as presented in the application.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

10/26/2015

Print Name: _____

Jeff Oveson

Title: _____

Executive Director



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Application Section II: Project Summary

1. Project Summary

Upon completing your application, write a brief **project** summary (**200 words or fewer**). Organize the summary to address the following four points (see example below):

- Identify all core partners
- Identify the partnership's ecological outcomes
- Briefly state what the partnership intends to do with Capacity-Building funding, and
- State how the goals of the Capacity-Building funding align with the OWEB Board-approved Focused Investment Priorities.

Your summary is an overview of these points and is used by OWEB as a reference for the partnership and application. See the Capacity-Building Application Instructions for an example **Project Summary**. It is recommended that applicants complete this **Project Summary** following the completion of the application questions in Section III.

Core partners are Grande Ronde Model Watershed, Wallowa County Natural Resources Advisory Committee, Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, Nez Perce Tribe, The Freshwater Trust, US Forest Service and Wallowa Resources. Building Atlas is an inclusive process and additional partners will be added should there be interest and if opportunity presents itself.

The Partnership will develop the Restoration Atlas, a strategic action plan to prioritize, vet and implement habitat restoration projects designed to maximize biological benefits identified in existing data and by expert local knowledge in the Wallowa and Imnaha River subbasins.

Capacity building funds will be used to secure the services of a qualified consultant, who will in turn facilitate the Atlas development process, produce technical documents and high level mapping products.

Capacity building funds will lead to focused restoration actions that address the habitat requirements of native aquatic species, with emphasis on Chinook salmon, steelhead, and bull trout in the Wallowa and Imnaha subbasins. Each restoration action, collectively identified and prioritized according to score in the Atlas, will result in relevant and quantifiable benefit to identified fish species.

2. What does the partnership intend to do with Capacity-Building funding?

Check all that apply:

- Elevate the partnership's current level of performance.
- Produce a **strategic action plan**.
- Enhance an existing **strategic action plan**.
- Address community engagement and outreach relative to the partnership's capacity-building efforts.

3. What type of support are you seeking? (select only one)

- Part- or full-time in-house support Part- or full-time outside contract support Both

4. What are the proposed start and end dates?

Start: February 1, 2016

End: January 31, 2018

- 5. In the table below indicate *estimated* funding requested for partnership Capacity-Building actions.** Show all anticipated funding sources, and indicate the dollar value for cash or in-kind contributions. Be sure to provide a dollar value for each funding source. The totals in this table should equal the totals requested in Section I of this application. **Funding estimates should be rounded to the nearest \$5,000.**

Estimated Budget (rounded to nearest \$5,000)				
Capacity-Building Action	Lead Partner(s)	OWEB Requested Investment	Partnership Investment (In-kind or cash)	Match Funding[†] (In-kind or cash)
Partnership Coordination	GRMW & NRAC	\$8490 (P)	\$1350 (S)	\$36320 (S)
Meeting Facilitation/Coordination	Contractual	\$36000 (P)	\$	\$
Technical Writing	Contractual	\$24000 (P)	\$	\$
Mapping	Contractual	\$15000 (P)	\$	\$
Stakeholder Support	Partners	\$	\$50000 (S)	\$
		\$	\$	\$
		\$	\$	\$
Total		\$83490 (P)	\$51350 (S)	\$36320 (S)

[†] Following the dollar amount entry, indicate in parentheses whether the leverage is secured (S) or pending (P).

- 6. Have any conditions been placed on match funds from other sources that may affect project completion?**

Yes No

If yes, explain:



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Application Section III: Project Description

What is the name of your partnership (from your Capacity-Building Letter of Intent)?

Wallowa Fish Habitat Restoration Partnership

Capacity-Building Application

These application questions and their answers are designed to guide applicants and reviewers through a logical process of understanding the structure and intent of the proposed Capacity-Building proposal.

Use the application form to respond to the questions.

Note to applicants: OWEB reviewers, staff, and the Board understand that applicants for the Focused Investment Partnership Capacity-Building program are approaching this opportunity from varying degrees of partnership history and development. Please answer the questions in this application to the best of your ability based on your partnership's capacity. If you are unable to answer a question because your partnership has not reached a particular point in its development, indicate that in the application. Explain how the Capacity-Building grant (or other associated funding) will help the partnership successfully address the question in the future.

Answer the following questions in a maximum of 12 pages:

Capacity-Building Context

1. Identify the primary OWEB Board-approved Priority(ies) that the proposed Capacity-Building funding intends to address.

Note: Your partnership is not bound to only the Priority(ies) identified in this Capacity-Building application if you choose to submit a future FIP Implementation application.

Check all that apply:

- Aquatic Habitat for Native Fish Species
- Coastal Estuaries in Oregon
- Coho Habitat and Populations Along the Oregon Coast
- Dry-type Forest Habitat
- Oak Woodland and Prairie Habitat
- Oregon Closed Lakes Basin Wetland Habitats
- Sagebrush/Sage-steppe Habitat

2. How do the **ecological outcomes** the partnership seeks to achieve following the completion of this Capacity-Building grant align with the OWEB Board-approved Focused Investment Priorities?

With leadership provided by Grande Ronde Model Watershed (GRMW) and Wallowa County Natural Resources Advisory Committee (NRAC) and technical support from Nez Perce Tribe (NPT), Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), US Forest Service (USFS), The Freshwater Trust (TFT) and Wallowa Resources (WR) here forward referred to as Partnership, seeks to improve aquatic habitat for native fish species in Wallowa County, specifically the Innaha and Wallowa Subbasins.

Over the last two decades, experience has been gained in aquatic restoration techniques, research and monitoring programs have gathered additional conclusive data, and new planning documents have been published. The partnership, in cooperation with basin practitioners, will coordinate efforts to leverage existing scientific data and physical information for development of a prioritized restoration implementation strategy named Atlas and will be included as an amendment to the Wallowa County Salmon Habitat Recovery Plan and Multi-species Strategy (Salmon Plan, 1999). Atlas will not replicate previous planning efforts including Subbasin plans, Recovery Plans, or the Salmon Plan but will instead synthesize critical information from these previous efforts, including research and monitoring data, to strategically identify prioritized locations and restoration activities required to recover and enhance aquatic habitats for at risk fish species. Atlas will assist Basin managers in: 1) prioritizing the appropriate types of restoration activities in strategically defined locations to address key limiting factors and 2) providing the transition from the current model of opportunistic restoration to focused restoration of key reaches containing critical ESA habitat and facilitate collaborative, focused, and value added restoration projects. In a web-based platform GRMW will centralize Atlas data and maps related to limiting factors, life history requirements, biologically significant reaches, habitat restoration opportunities, conceptual restoration templates consistent with local geomorphology, and a scoring and ranking matrix which will be collectively vetted by local and regional experts. With Atlas, a strategic approach that facilitates the allocation of funds to the more value added actions would ensure a prioritized, benefit oriented restoration strategy.

3. Describe the partnership's working relationship, including communication and operational norms. If the partnership has any completed formal agreements (e.g. memorandum of understanding, management plan, or other guidance document) summarize the substance of the document(s), explain what the document(s) does for the partnership, and attach a copy of the document(s) to this application.

The Partnership's working relationship is largely defined through similar GRMW and NRAC members in each organization including local, state and federal resource management agencies and the Nez Perce Tribe. NRAC and GRMW regularly scheduled meetings provide a platform for regular and ongoing communications. NRAC, an advisory committee to the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners and part of the Wallowa County land use planning laws reviews and comments on restoration projects coordinated and funded by GRMW and partners. GRMW serves as the coordinating entity in the Grande Ronde Basin for the allocation of BPA Fish and Wildlife Program funds. This relationship has been ongoing for more than two decades, but Atlas would formalize the relationship by identifying goals and objectives at a more refined and site specific level.

Additionally, Atlas products will enhance communications and understanding amongst restoration practitioners. This includes defining partner roles and responsibilities and how those commitments will promote habitat improvements for ESA listed aquatic species in Wallowa County. Common mistakes such as duplication/overlap, protocol mismanagement, lack of technology transfer, and lack of data storage and analysis will be significantly reduced. Atlas deliverables will include coordination, communication, data accessibility, and consistent data distribution.

4. Describe the lessons learned of individual core partners working in other partnerships and in partnership together, including current and past partnerships (it is not necessary to list the members of each partnership discussed). How have these lessons informed the current partnership's structure?

History has informed the partnership in a variety of ways including the manner in which each organization can best contribute by addressing the variety of specific tasks relative to restoration. An example of this could be Wallowa SWCD partnering with NRCS to implement irrigation efficiency conservation in the basin. NRCS is best at doing design, technical and landowner coordination, while SWCD has fiscal capability and a Board of Directors representing agriculture. Another example would be Wallowa Resources serving as fiscal agent for the US Forest Service who does not have the legal ability to administer OWEB restoration funds. In this case the Forest Service would be the technical partner in the project while Wallowa Resources handles all fiscal and contractual responsibilities.

The most effective partnerships are those with multiple participants contributing different services towards a common end goal. An example of this would be a diversion structure replacement that is a passage barrier where the Nez Perce Tribe is lead entity responsible for funds administration, contracting and project leadership; ODFW is on the project team in an advisory role assessing the benefits to fish and passage efficacy; GRMW is another partner providing environmental compliance services including ESA consultation, permit acquisition and cultural resources clearance; the final partner is the landowner who has input into design and construction process. All partners are working toward the end goal of passage restoration with each making a meaningful contribution.

Another aspect of each partner's strength is where each works best. Clearly the US Forest Service is ideally placed to technically oversee projects on public land. However, on private land NRCS and Wallowa SWCD's strengths are working in the uplands, while ODFW, NPT and GRMW have experience implementing in-stream and below ordinary high water mark projects requiring removal/fill permits and ESA consultation.

5. How do the goals of Capacity-Building funding build upon and address issues related to the core partners' partnership experiences in the past? How will the Capacity-Building funding strengthen the partnership?

Atlas is a tool that utilizes existing scientific data, current research evidence, and expert knowledge of local biologists to create a strategic, integrated, collaborative, and prioritized habitat restoration implementation plan. While a multitude of guidance documents exist that identify watershed issues, limiting factors and areas of aquatic habitat concerns, they do not identify specific actions and sites so as to produce the most effective restoration results. Atlas will not duplicate previous planning efforts, including Subbasin Plans and Recovery Plans. Rather, it will synthesize critical information from these

previous efforts to strategically identify and prioritize targeted restoration actions and locations to improve aquatic habitat and increase the survival of ESA listed fish species (spring/summer Chinook salmon, summer steelhead, and bull trout), with a focus on the most imperiled species.

NRAC (a branch of Wallowa County government, specifically in place to make recommendation to the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners regarding natural resources issues) and GRMW (the lead coordinating entity in the Grande Ronde Basin for the distribution of BPA Fish & Wildlife Program funds) have both been in place and have worked side by side since 1992. A multitude of experience resides in each organization's membership including research, monitoring and implementation of fish habitat restoration actions. As such, the Partnership, comprised of diverse aquatic habitat restoration agencies/organizations, has the following objectives:

- Enhance coordination and collaboration among the local natural and aquatic resource management partners.
- Utilize existing planning documents, assessments, empirical data, and research evidence at the local level to inform habitat restoration.
- Prioritize the actions and sites needed to address the key limiting factors that negatively affect the productivity, abundance, and distribution of ESA listed fish species.
- Implement high priority, strategic habitat restoration projects to produce measurable and sustainable results.
- Maintain a living and collaborative prioritization framework that demonstrates objectivity, transparency, and accountability.
- Manage the prioritization framework and associated project implementation adaptively to ensure maximum biological benefit.

The Atlas development phase involves the review of existing planning documents, assessments, results of research and monitoring, empirical data, current scientific literature, and other available information to identify the biological and physical habitat conditions needed to increase the productivity, abundance, and distribution of the focal species within a watershed. Data and information are presented in a spatial context with GIS technology to evaluate species utilization, stream reach subdivision (Biologically Significant Reaches (BSR's), and to perform a limiting factors assessment. This process results in a list of specific restoration action types intended to address the limiting factors within the individual BSR's. Next, GIS data are utilized to identify the associated conceptual restoration sites on the landscape where specific habitat improvement actions would provide the most biological benefit. Once identified, these conceptual restoration opportunities are scored and ranked using biological criteria.

Capacity building funds will strengthen the partnership through the delivery of the following products:

- A set of scored and ranked criteria, developed and approved by local and regional fish research and habitat biologists, ecologists, geomorphologists, and engineers that facilitates the ranking of conceptual restoration opportunities based on their biological benefit and feasibility.
- A set of scored and ranked conceptual restoration opportunities with the associated site maps that display high level attributes that support the ranking decision.
- Centralized data and map repository with information about fish life history stages and their habitat requirements, limiting factors, biologically significant reaches, and conceptual habitat restoration opportunities.

Partnership Challenges

6. Discuss the challenges (not the solutions) facing the partnership that will be addressed with Capacity-Building funding. These challenges may relate to building capacity to partner, elevating the partnership's current level of performance, generating or enhancing a **strategic action plan**, pursuing or strengthening community outreach and engagement, and/or other challenges related to the partnership's capacity to implement programmatic **restoration actions**.

The following implementation guidelines define the roles, responsibilities and challenges of subbasin natural resource management partners to implement and adaptively manage the Atlas in Wallowa County, specifically the Wallowa and

Imnaha Subbasins. The Atlas is a living document that will be reviewed and updated every two years, or as determined necessary, to address unforeseen circumstances, provide lessons learned from implementation, maintain implementation progress, and incorporate current research, monitoring, and evaluation results. Ultimately, the success of Atlas implementation will be dependent upon the ability of the Partnership to work in a coordinated and collaborative manner with landowners and land managers to accomplish common restoration goals.

Atlas Partner Roles/Challenges

- **Support of the Opportunity Lead:** High priority conceptual restoration sites will be assigned a lead who is responsible for land owner outreach and development of the concept into a restoration opportunity. To ensure the lead is successful, the Atlas partners will support the Opportunity Lead as they work to develop the project opportunity into a viable project.
- **Commitment to a Shared Vision:** Atlas partners recognize that success is founded on a commitment to and understanding Atlas. While Atlas participation is voluntary, Atlas partners will share this understanding with other entities and organizations to build synergistic relationships with non-participating entities and respect the Opportunity Lead as the point of contact.
- **Atlas Resource Management:** A common data repository serves as the archive for Atlas products, including the scored opportunity matrices, associated maps, and future iterations/revisions of these documents. This information will be used by the Implementation Team to facilitate the restoration strategy and assign Opportunity Leads. Maps that depict general action types at various locations can be shared within outreach documents to improve the transparency and understanding of Atlas objectives.
- **Product Dissemination:** Atlas partners acknowledge that the way in which Atlas products are shared with the general public, and more specifically with private land owners (potential cooperators), is of utmost importance and very sensitive. Thus, collectively the partners will strive to disseminate this information in a way that best facilitates the Atlas framework by respecting the role of the Opportunity Lead, the sensitivity of the information, and minimizing duplication regarding land owner/public contacts associated with Atlas derived project opportunities.
- **Commitment to Biological Resources:** Atlas partners understand that the adoption of an evidence-based, strategic restoration prioritization framework requires a common strategy and alignment of resources. Although the subject watershed may be impacted by a multitude of land management practices, Atlas is focused on prioritizing the investment for the habitat improvement and biological benefit of ESA listed species (spring/summer Chinook salmon, summer steelhead and bull trout), with a focus on the most imperiled species.

Capacity-Building Solutions

7. Summarize how the partnership will use Capacity-Building funding to address the challenges described in Question 6 above.

The Challenges identified in Q6 will be addressed by developing the following teams:

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Implementation Team: A Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and an Implementation Team will be created to support the development, implementation, and adaptive management of the Atlas. The TAC develops the Atlas by objectively identifying a scored and ranked list of conceptual restoration opportunities, including associated site maps, to provide the most biological benefit. The Implementation Team then works collaboratively to evaluate the feasibility and policy components required to prioritize, develop, and implement these project opportunities.

TAC - Atlas Development: The TAC includes the personnel of each Atlas partner with core competencies in fish biology and applied habitat restoration, and who have specific knowledge of the given watershed. These local and regional research and habitat biologists, ecologists, geomorphologists, and engineers evaluate the available empirical data on fish use, periodicity, and limiting factors to define BSR's. The TAC then recommends restoration action types, from a

biological perspective, which would address the identified limiting factors. Products developed by the TAC include BSR and conceptual restoration opportunity scoring matrices, and the associated conceptual restoration site maps at the watershed scale.

The TAC will also be responsible for reviewing and evaluating the status of the Atlas as projects are completed, incorporating new scientific research and/or monitoring information, and performing a periodic review of the opportunity scoring matrix as part of the Grande Ronde Subbasin annual “State of the Science” meetings. The TAC will also serve as a technical resource for the Implementation Team as needed for specific tasks such as assessing the biological merits of an opportunity outside of a priority BSR.

Atlas Implementation Team: The Implementation Team will include personnel of each Atlas partner with significant restoration implementation experience, and whenever possible, experience working with local landowners and land managers. The Implementation Team members are selected by each Atlas partner, and generally include one representative and one alternate from each organization. The Implementation Team determines the feasibility of the ranked project opportunities provided by the TAC.

The Implementation Team will be responsible for assigning each priority conceptual restoration opportunity to an Opportunity Lead. The Opportunity Lead, with Implementation Team support, will be responsible for developing each qualifying high priority conceptual restoration opportunity into a prospectus, and ultimately a project proposal. This implementation approach will focus opportunity development on the highest value restoration projects through a cycle of identification, prioritization, and refinement of restoration opportunities.

Atlas has been built and implemented in both the Catherine Creek and Upper Grande Ronde Subbasins and as such the process is well defined. In Wallowa County the Partnership is comprised of near identical organizational participants with the same restoration vision and goals supported by data gathering, information refinement, limiting factor locations by BSR, outreach and assignment of Opportunity Leads. The vision of the Partnership is to develop a specific action plan that is an amendment to the Salmon Plan, that will prioritize, vet, and implement habitat restoration projects that maximize biological benefits identified by existing information and expert knowledge in both the Imnaha and Wallowa River Subbasins.

8. What criteria will the partnership employ to evaluate the success of the completed Capacity-Building period?

The partnership will consider the capacity building period a success if the Atlas tool is developed, staged for implementation, and has synthesized existing planning, monitoring, and research documents into a method comprised of the following components:

- Technical advisory and Implementation teams developed.
- Biologically significant reaches identified and mapped in the Wallowa and Imnaha Subbasins.
- Restoration and opportunity scoring matrix developed for the Wallowa and Imnaha Subbasins.
- Opportunity leads assigned to each restoration action with Atlas member support committed to each lead.
- Commitment in the Partnership to adaptively manage, update and modify Atlas every 2-years or as needed.

9. Describe the deliverables that the partnership will generate and how they will help the partnership better achieve the ecological outcomes described in Question 2. How will these deliverables empower the partnership to implement future restoration at a programmatic or landscape-scale, as opposed to at the project scale?

Atlas is a tool intended to aid the Partnership in a transition from opportunistic-based restoration to programmatic or sub-watershed scale restoration. In order to demonstrate benefits to ESA listed populations, document habitat improvements, and support ecological outcomes expected for aquatic habitat for native fish species as detailed in question 2 the following deliverables are expected:

- A set of scored and ranked criteria, developed and approved by local and regional fish research and habitat biologists, ecologists, geomorphologists, and engineers that facilitates the ranking of conceptual restoration opportunities based on their biological benefit.
- A set of scored and ranked conceptual restoration opportunities with the associated site maps that display high level attributes that support the ranking decision.
- Centralized data and map repository with information about fish life history stages and their habitat requirements, limiting factors, biologically significant reaches, and conceptual habitat restoration opportunities.

The deliverables described above are to be “living” with periodic updates scheduled in the process. This will allow restoration practitioners the ability to work in focused areas, by stream reach, and address the most pressing habitat issues that will provide the highest benefit to ESA listed fish in the Wallowa and Imnaha Subbasins.

At capacity building completion Atlas will be staged for implementation. This will be achieved with the above described scored and ranked criteria, scored and ranked restoration opportunities matrix, and the assignment of opportunity leads. With this tool and supporting components strategic restoration will be staged for implementation with resulting projects that address the most critical habitat needs, that address those species most imperiled, and that will produce meaningful results that are measureable. Each of the 3 deliverables above will be housed and managed by GRMW in a Partnership accessible web based storage facility.

For question 10, only one is required but answer all that apply:

- 10A. If the partnership intends to use Capacity-Building funding to elevate the partnership’s current level of performance, describe how that will occur (i.e., specific actions, assistance, tools, etc.).

Producing the deliverables described in questions 9 will elevate the Partnership’s level of performance. Central to obtaining those deliverables is the formation of the Technical Advisory Committee and Implementation team. It is anticipated that each team in large part exists through representation on the NRAC technical and standing committees and GRMW tech team. Additional representation will be recruited as needed if technical and implementation personnel are required. Ideally each team consists of practitioners in Wallowa County who are experienced in fisheries management and project implementation. The Partnership currently relies too heavily on opportunities not necessarily aligned with biological priorities, whereas acquiring the deliverables identified in Question 9 will enable more precise identification of high priority actions and support the collaborative development of those actions.

- 10B. If the partnership intends to *produce* a **strategic action plan**, describe the partnership’s vision for that plan. Explain how Capacity-Building funding will be used to develop the **strategic action plan**. How will the partnership’s **strategic action plan** align with other plans locally, regionally, and statewide?

- 10C. If the partnership intends to *enhance* a **strategic action plan**, describe the current status of the existing plan. Explain how Capacity-Building funding will be used to enhance the **strategic action plan**. How will the partnership’s **strategic action plan** align with other plans locally, regionally, and statewide?

Atlas will be built to serve as a stand-alone strategic planning tool and also be an amendment to the Salmon Plan. Currently the Salmon Plan assesses Wallowa County streams by stream reach for water quality, water quantity, fish habitat quality, and fish habitat potential. While this is valuable information and provides general guidance it is not sufficient to build a programmatic or sub-watershed scale restoration program that will produce measurable results and quantifiable habitat benefits. The Imnaha and Grande Ronde Subbasin plans along with the NOAA Draft Recovery plan

and in conjunction with the Salmon Plan will inform the development of Atlas. Amended to the Salmon Plan, Atlas will inform restoration by location and action, concentrate actions in areas that produce the best biological benefit to target fish species, and strategically plan efforts by identifying opportunity leads that are best able to implement restoration opportunities. Capacity building funds will be used to provide contractual support to build Atlas. Services include:

1. Facilitation, coordination, meeting management, and record keeping.
2. Technical writing including draft, review, editing and final document delivery.
3. GIS services including data layer accumulation and storage, mapping services, attribute table compilation, and presentation.

10D. If the partnership intends to address community engagement and outreach relative to any of its capacity-building pursuits, describe the community engagement and outreach actions to be employed and who the partnership needs to engage in order to be successful. Explain how these actions will ultimately help the partnership pursue its desired **ecological outcomes**.

Prior to releasing any Atlas products, the partnership will develop a public outreach plan to educate landowners in the Subbasin(s) about the Atlas and its objectives and be modeled after Atlas outreach plans in place in Union County. As part of this plan, public meetings for landowners will be held regularly to explain the Atlas framework, provide updates, answer questions, and identify opportunities for landowner engagement.

For question 11, answer 11A **and** 11B if you answered either question 10B or 10C above:

11A. What recovery, conservation, and/or other key plan(s) will the partnership use to assess baseline conditions that will inform the desired ecological outcomes that the partnership will seek to achieve?

1. Wallowa County - Nez Perce Tribe Salmon Habitat Recovery Plan with Multi-Species Strategy, 1993 revised 1999, Wallowa County.
2. Grande Ronde Subbasin Plan, 2004 and Grande Ronde Subbasin Plan Supplement, 2005. Northwest Power and Conservation Council.
3. Imnaha Subbasin Plan, 2004 and Imnaha Subbasin Plan Supplement, 2005. Northwest Power and Conservation Council.
4. NMFS Draft ESA Recovery Plan for Northeast Oregon Snake River Spring and Summer Chinook Salmon and Snake River Steelhead Populations.

In addition to the above salmonid based recovery plans the Oregon Senate Bill 1010 Agricultural Water Quality Management Plan and the Wallowa County TMDL Water Quality Management Plan will inform the development of Atlas. Cumulatively, these guidance documents will help Atlas address parameters of concern including impaired water quality, reduced water quantity, loss of habitat complexity, loss of habitat connectivity, and the spread of invasive species.

11B. How will the partnership use this baseline information to inform its desired ecological outcomes and **strategic action plan**?

Developing Atlas involves gathering existing planning documents, results of research and monitoring, and pertinent scientific literature to identify specific criteria for the preferred biological and physical habitat for focus species within a basin. Data and information are presented in a spatial context through GIS to evaluate species utilization, stream reach subdivision (BSR's) and perform a limiting factors assessment. This process results in the identification of specific restoration activities as linked to limiting factors for the individual BSR's. The GIS and remote sensing data are then utilized to strategically identify these specific restoration types and opportunities within the watershed. These opportunities, once identified through Atlas mapping will be categorized and ranked within a BSR specific implementation prioritization matrix relative to a number of factors influencing both the habitat benefits and feasibility for identified project opportunities.

Presenting spatial data sets including EDT, aquatic inventory, RM&E, StreamNET and other geospatial fisheries information to the Science TAC will allow for a transparent and accountable decision making process. A GIS platform is used by the Science TAC to display and analyze available data in a spatial context for the assessment of existing limiting factors relative to species use and to make decisions and recommendations on appropriate habitat activities.

The prioritized habitat restoration activity types are then used to assess potential project opportunity locations along the river and floodplain corridor using the GIS platform with supporting additional geomorphic, modeling and physical data sets. The amount of information available is variable among geographic regions and will determine the resolution with which potential project opportunities can be identified. However, the use of available data, (at the highest resolution available) will still allow the assessment and ability to make restoration decisions and identify critical data gaps that could be supported with tactical RM&E. For example, some basins may have EDT layers from Subbasin Plans and a local Watershed Assessment, in other areas, research and monitoring data, Subbasin Plans, Recovery Plans, and physical assessments such as Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) Tributary and Reach Assessments may be available. The increased resolution of geospatial data will support an enhanced ability to identify restoration actions at a higher level of refinement.

In summary, GIS will be used, 1) to determine and identify the biological needs of fish species and prioritize which types of restoration actions can provide the greatest benefit by limiting factor and reach; 2) to identify opportunities on the landscape to address the identified limiting factors; and 3) Enhance the existing strategic action plan, the Salmon Plan, by identifying and locating aquatic habitat restoration opportunities that will yield the most benefit to species of concern.

12. Provide a detailed timeline of steps for partnership Capacity-Building actions. Be sure to state the month (or season) and year for each action shown in the timeline. Note that Capacity-Building grants have a maximum two year funding period.

Project Initiation

Phase 1.....2/1/2016 to 4/1/2016.....Solicit for and procure facilitation contractor.

Phase 2.....2/1/2016 to 4/1/2016.....Identify and convene TAC and IT committees. Meeting 1.

Strategic Action Plan Development

Phase 3.....4/1/2016 to 6/1/2016.....Gather available RME, physical and biological data into a GIS format.

Phase 4.....5/1/2016 to 7/1/2016.....Divide streams by fish use and periodicity. Meeting 2.

Phase 5.....7/1/2016 to 9/1/2016.....Subdivide streams by priority limiting factors.

Phase 6.....9/1/2016 to 11/1/2016.....Verify and define BSR's. Meeting 3.

Phase 7.....11/1/2017 to 2/1/2017.....Identify restoration activity types.

Phase 8.....2/1/2017 to 4/1/2017.....Identify set of opportunities. Meeting 4.

Phase 9....4/1/2017 to 6/1/2017.....Develop biological prioritization framework.

Phase 10...6/1/2017 to 9/1/2017.....Develop feasibility prioritization framework.

Phase 11...9/1/2017 to 11/1/2017.....Create matrix and evaluate opportunities. Meeting 5.

Project Completion

Phase 12...11/1/2017 to 12/31/2017...Final stakeholder review, comment and revision. Meeting 6.

Phase 13...12/1/2017 to 12/31/2017...Final Atlas product delivery to web-based storage facility.

Phase 14...1/1/2018 to 1/31/2018.....Formally adopt Atlas as an amendment to the Salmon Plan.

Phase 15...1/1/2018 to 1/31/2018.....Atlas complete and ready for project implementation.

13. What specific Capacity-Building expertise will be required? If you are using outside expertise (e.g., a facilitator), how will the provider be selected and supervised? If your expertise is in-house (e.g., provided by one of the core partners), describe how the internal staff meets the requirements needed and how staff will be supervised.

Task	Responsibility
Project Management and Coordination.....	GRMW and NRAC Leadership
Fiscal Management.....	GRMW
Database/GIS/Website/IT.....	GRMW
Outreach.....	Partnership
TAC and IT Committees.....	Partnership
Facilitation, Technical Writing and GIS.....	Contractual Service Provider

The contractual providers identified above will be selected through a public solicitation from qualified service providers. Ideally the chosen provider will have experience with natural resources management, specifically fish habitat restoration, and have staff with those abilities listed above. The chosen service provider will have been selected from a pool of qualified applicants where lowest, qualified bidder, with demonstrated references and appropriate work history receives the award.

TAC and IT Committees consist of agency restoration practitioners, fish habitat, monitoring and evaluation, and research personnel from the various organizations working in Wallowa County. Each is qualified based on title and job description and supervision will be directed internally from each respective agency/organization. GRMW has the demonstrated ability as a fiscal manager, GIS, IT, and outreach personnel reside on staff, and experience exists to coordinate fish habitat restoration.

GRMW and NRAC leadership, specifically GRMW Executive Director and NRAC Chairman, will guide Contractual and stakeholder performance. Each will be informed with progress reports at prior scheduled monthly NRAC meetings, bi-monthly GRMW Board of Directors meetings, and as needed throughout the capacity building process.

Atlas experience in Union County has informed Atlas in Wallowa County and the level of expertise and assistance needed for this capacity building period is known.

For question 14, after completing the Budget Tables in Section IV of this application answer each of the sub-questions below:

14A. Explain the rationale for why funding is distributed among the Capacity-Building actions shown in the budget table as it relates to expanded partnership capacity.

Proposed OWEB funding is distributed in contracted services in order for the Partnership to obtain contractual services needed to expand Partnership capacity, specifically facilitation, coordination, technical writing and high level mapping. While these skills may be available amongst the restoration community in Wallowa County a skilled and experienced consultant will help guide and add structure to the Atlas building process. This will allow each Partner to contribute necessary expertise to Atlas while not having to manage the capacity building process.

14B. Describe potential sources of leveraged funding that the partnership might pursue and the funding that might be obtained from those sources. This response should align with the budget table information outlined above.

Leverage funding, In-Kind contribution is in place and comes from each agency, organization, or Tribe (NPT) participating in the Partnership. As GRMW and/or NRAC members each partner will contribute staff time to the Atlas effort and includes expert knowledge in fisheries, fish habitat restoration, fisheries research, engineering, and other natural and social science disciplines as needed.

14C. Address any details or nuances of this funding allocation that may not be apparent in the table but are important for OWEB staff and reviewers to know.

For every hour of facilitation and coordination (contracted services) we are expecting to contribute 2-hours of partnership time (In-kind). Anticipating 6 major meetings over the term of this capacity building effort where each meeting will last for 8-hours, facilitation and coordination is estimated at 40 hours per meeting and includes preparation, travel, meeting wrap up and feedback. Per meeting 80-hours of in-kind service is expected from the Partnership where general cost of each Partnership member is estimated at \$50 per hour. For 6 major meeting we expect 240-hours of facilitation and coordination and 480-hours of Partnership contribution. Professional facilitation services are anticipated at \$150 per hour and this rate is based on past experience, rates quoted from Bureau of Reclamation, and an estimate from the facilitation contractor who helped in the Union County Atlas efforts.

The facilitation contractor will provide technical writing and high level mapping where rate per hour is expected to be \$150. As with facilitation and coordination we are expecting 2-hours of Partnership time contribution for each hour of contracted services. Technical writing is estimated at 160-hours and mapping at 100-hours. Partnership contribution will include document review, comment including public comment, and revision as needed. Maps will be reviewed for

location, BSR, and limiting factor accuracy. For 260-hours of consultant time 520-hours of Partnership time is anticipated.

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Application Section IV: Budget

IMPORTANT: Read the application instructions and current Budget Categories Definitions and Policy Document.

Add additional lines if necessary.

Totals automatically round to the nearest dollar

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
<i>Itemize projected costs under each of the following categories:</i>	Unit Number	Unit Cost	OWEB Funds	Cash Match*	In-Kind Match*	Total Costs
	(e.g., # of hours)	(e.g., hourly rate)				(add columns D, E, F)
SALARIES, WAGES AND BENEFITS. List position titles, include only costs of employees charged to this grant.						
Partnership Project Manager (GRMW)	200	50			10,000	10,000
Information Technology (GRMW)	100	50			5,000	5,000
GIS (GRMW)	100	50			5,000	5,000
GRMW Executive Director	100	50			5,000	5,000
NRAC Chairman	100	50			5,000	5,000
NRAC Secretary	100	50			5,000	5,000
Partnership Meeting Participation (6 meetings)	480	50			24,000	24,000
Partnership Technical Writing Review and Comment	320	50			16,000	16,000
Partnership Mapping Review and Comment	200	50			10,000	10,000
SUBTOTAL (1)			0	0	85,000	85,000
CONTRACTED SERVICES. Labor, supplies, and materials to be provided by <i>non-staff</i> for project implementation.						
Meeting Facilitation and Coordination (6 meetings)						
Preparation	72	150	10,800			10,800
Travel	48	150	7,200			7,200
Meeting	48	150	7,200			7,200
Wrap up and Feedback	72	150	10,800			10,800
Technical Writing						
Draft Atlas Documents	90	150	13,500			13,500
Submit Draft for Review and Comment	10	150	1,500			1,500
Incorporate Partnership Comment	20	150	3,000			3,000
Final Atlas Document Preparation and Delivery	40	150	6,000			6,000
Mapping						
Coordinate Partnership Map Contribution	20	150	3,000			3,000
Compile Maps by BSR and Limiting Factor	40	150	6,000			6,000
Present Draft Map Products	10	150	1,500			1,500
Finalize all Maps	30	150	4,500			4,500
SUBTOTAL (2)			75,000	0	0	75,000
TRAVEL. Mileage, per diem, lodging, etc. Must use current State of Oregon rates.						
Partnership Travel to 6-meeting in Wallowa County						
GRMW	900	0.55			495	495
ODFW	900	0.55			495	495
Nez Perce Tribe	120	0.55			66	66
The Freshwater Trust	120	0.55			66	66
NRAC	120	0.55			66	66
US Forest Service	120	0.55			66	66
Wallowa Resources	120	0.55			66	66
SUBTOTAL (3)			0	0	1,320	1,320
MATERIALS/SUPPLIES. Refers to items that are "used up" in the course of the project. Costs to OWEB must be directly related to the implementation of this grant.						
Information Packet for 6 meetings (15 packets)	90	10	900			900
Refreshment and Lunch for 6 meetings (15 attendees)	90	15		1,350		1,350

SUBTOTAL (4)			900	1,350	0	2,250
EQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE. List portable equipment costing \$300 or more per unit. Must remain property of a governmental entity, tribe, watershed council, SWCD, institution of higher learning or school district.						
						0
SUBTOTAL (5)			0	0	0	0
OTHER. Costs must be necessary and reasonable for successful completion of this grant.						
						0
SUBTOTAL (6)			0	0	0	0
[Add subtotals above] MODIFIED TOTAL DIRECT COSTS (7)			75,900	1,350	86,320	163,570

GRANT ADMIN. Select one of the methods below. Fill in the requested rate. Compute by multiplying MTDC (7) line by this rate.						
Federally Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate	<input type="checkbox"/>		0			0
Federally Accepted 10% <i>de minimis</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10%	7590			7590
OWEB Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate	<input type="checkbox"/>		0			0
SUBTOTAL (8)			7590	0	0	7590

GRANT BUDGET TOTAL Totals automatically round to the nearest dollar

[Add Category Totals (7) and Subtotals (8)] GRANT BUDGET TOTAL (9)	83,490	1,350	86,320	171,160
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* The totals for these two columns must mirror the match totals provided in Section II(7) of the application and on the Match Funding form (Attachment A).



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Project Name: Wallowa Fish Habitat Restoration Partnership

Applicant: GRMW

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NRAC	<input type="checkbox"/> cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in kind	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> secured <input type="checkbox"/> pending	\$10,000.00	
Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in kind	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> secured <input type="checkbox"/> pending	\$51,320.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> cash <input type="checkbox"/> in kind	<input type="checkbox"/> secured <input type="checkbox"/> pending	\$	
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Attachment B: Racial & Ethnic Impact Statement Form

This form is used for information purposes only and must be included with the grant application.

Chapter 600 of the 2013 Oregon Laws require applicants to include with each grant application a racial and ethnic impact statement. The statement provides information as to the disproportionate or unique impact the proposed policies or programs may have on minority persons¹ in the State of Oregon if the grant is awarded to a corporation or other legal entity other than natural persons.

1. The proposed grant project policies or programs could have a disproportionate or unique positive impact on the following minority persons:

Indicate all that apply:

- Women
- Persons with Disabilities
- African-Americans
- Hispanics
- Asians or Pacific Islanders
- American Indians
- Alaskan Natives

2. The proposed grant project policies or programs could have a disproportionate or unique negative impact on the following minority persons:

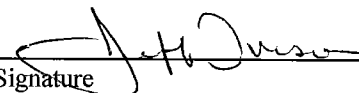
Indicate all that apply:

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3. The proposed grant project policies or programs will have no disproportionate or unique impact on minority persons.

If you checked numbers 1 or 2 above, on a separate sheet of paper, provide the rationale for the existence of policies or programs having a disproportionate or unique impact on minority persons in this state. Further provide evidence of consultation with representative(s) of the affected minority persons.

I HEREBY CERTIFY on this 28 day of October, 2015, the information contained on this form and any attachment is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.


Signature

Printed Name: Jeff Oveson

Title: GRMW Executive Director

¹ "Minority persons" are defined in SB 463 (2013 Regular Session) as women, persons with disabilities (as defined in ORS 174.107), African-Americans, Hispanics, Asians or Pacific Islanders, American Indians and Alaskan Natives.



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Attachment C: Grant Administration & Indirect Cost Selection Form

To comply with the Federal Uniform Administrative Requirements (2 CFR) OWEB requires all applicants to complete this form. Part One will certify the applicant is a legal entity. Part Two selects the type of indirect rate the applicant is requesting in the application. Part Three applies only if you select an OWEB Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate.

PART ONE:

Sub-recipients or grantees must be legal entities. Identify your organizational type as one of the following:

- State or local government: FEIN _____
- Non-profit organization: FEIN ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦
- Institution for Higher Education: FEIN _____
- Individual (not eligible for indirect or administrative costs)

PART TWO:

Applicant must select one of the following indirect rates. This rate will apply for the life of this grant, including any future extensions for time, and cannot be changed.

- Federally Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate.** We have an approved indirect cost rate with a Federal (cognizant) agency. A copy of our most recently approved rate agreement is attached; if necessary, we will provide a more current rate once it is approved. No additional receipts will be required for this indirect cost rate.

Our current Federally Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate is _____%.

- Federally Accepted *de minimis* Indirect Rate.** We have never received a federally negotiated indirect cost rate. We request, as a condition of this grant, to charge a flat *de minimis* indirect cost rate of 10% of modified total direct costs (MTDC). No additional receipts will be required for this indirect cost rate.
- OWEB Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate.** We do not currently plan to obtain a federally negotiated indirect rate. We would like to negotiate an indirect rate of modified total direct costs (MTDC). Receipts for our indirect cost pool will be required for rates above 10%.

We request an indirect rate of _____% (not over 15%). Fill out Part Three.

PART THREE:

Applicants who select an OWEB Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate must select a cost allocation plan.

- Less than 10%, no receipts required.** If the rate is below 10%, OWEB will allow the billing to follow the *de minimis* rules (no receipts.)
- Receipt billing.** Grant administration costs are charged to grants on an item-by-item basis. Receipts for items \$250 and over must be submitted. All receipts must be kept and provided to OWEB on request.
- Cost allocation.** The applicant has accounting practices in place that support charging costs to a cost allocation pool and must submit cost allocation supporting documentation for allocations \$250 and over. Most agencies divide administration costs either on FTE, time worked, or as a percentage of their modified total direct costs (MTDC).



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Attachment D: Metrics Form

OWEB receives a portion of its funds from the federal government and is required to report how its grantees propose to use both federal and state funds. The information you provide in the following form will be used for federal and state reporting purposes.

Completion of this form is required of all applicants; it will not be used to evaluate the merit of your funding request. Complete all portions of the form below as they apply to your project. Provide specific values; do not enter values like “2-3” or “<100”. Enter your best approximation of what the project will accomplish.

If you have questions, contact Ginger Lofftus, OWEB PCSRF Reporting Assistant, at (503) 986-5372 (ginger.lofftus@state.or.us) or Cecilia Noyes, OWEB Federal Reporting Coordinator, at (503) 986-0204 (cecilia.noyes@state.or.us).

1. Expected Benefits to Salmon/Steelhead

1a) **This Capacity-Building project might ultimately result in an Implementation FIP that will benefit salmon or steelhead:**

- Yes (Complete 1b and 1c, and proceed to question 2)
 No (You are done with this form and do not need to complete 1b or 1c, below)

1b) **Targeted Salmon/Steelhead Populations:** Select one or more of the salmon ESUs (Evolutionary Significant Unit) or steelhead DPSs (Distinct Population Segment) that the Capacity-Building project will consider and might ultimately benefit. For species where the ESU/DPS name is not known or determined, use the “Unidentified ESU” cell and identify the species (e.g., Unidentified ESU - Chinook salmon). Additional information on the designation and location of the salmon/steelhead populations can be found at http://www.westcoast.fisheries.noaa.gov/maps_data/species_population_boundaries.html.

Chinook Salmon (<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>)		Coho Salmon (<i>O. kisutch</i>)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Deschutes River summer/fall-run ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lower Columbia River ESU
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lower Columbia River ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oregon Coast ESU
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mid-Columbia River spring-run ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Southern Oregon/Northern California ESU
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oregon Coast ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unidentified ESU
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Snake River Fall-run ESU	Steelhead (<i>O. mykiss</i>)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Snake River Spring/Summer-run ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Klamath Mountains Province DPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Southern Oregon and Northern California Coastal ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lower Columbia River DPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Upper Klamath-Trinity Rivers ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Columbia River DPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Upper Willamette River ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oregon Coast DPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	unidentified ESU	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Snake River Basin DPS
Chum Salmon (<i>O. keta</i>)		<input type="checkbox"/>	Washington Coast DPS (SW Washington)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Columbia River ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Upper Willamette River DPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pacific Coast ESU	<input type="checkbox"/>	Steelhead/Trout unidentified DPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	unidentified ESU		

- 1c) Expected Benefits:** Write a brief description of the goals and purpose of the FIP Capacity-Building project and how a future resulting FIP Implementation project is expected to benefit salmon/steelhead or salmon/steelhead habitat. This answer should be no longer than 2000 characters, or approximately 330 words. You may use all or a portion of your Project summary from Section II of the application.

Core partners are Grande Ronde Model Watershed, Wallowa Count Natural Resources Advisory Committee, Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, Nez Perce Tribe, The Freshwater Trust, US Forest Service and Wallowa Resources. Building Atlas is an inclusive process and additional partners will be added should there be interest and if opportunity presents itself.

The Partnership will develop the Restoration Atlas, a strategic action plan to prioritize, vet and implement habitat restoration projects designed to maximize biological benefits identified in existing data and by expert local knowledge in the Wallowa and Imnaha River subbasins.

Capacity building funds will be used to secure the services of a qualified consultant, who will in turn facilitate the Atlas development process, produce technical documents and high level mapping products.

Capacity building funds will lead to focused restoration actions that address the habitat requirements of native aquatic species, with emphasis on Chinook salmon, steelhead, and bull trout in the Wallowa and Imnaha subbasins. Each restoration action, collectively identified and prioritized according to score in the Atlas, will result in relevant and quantifiable benefit to identified fish species.

2. Capacity-Building Planning/Coordination Activities

- 2a)** How do you propose to use FIP Capacity-Building project funds? (Check one or both, as applicable).

- Development/completion of a FIP strategic action plan (should you receive FIP Capacity-Building support for this activity, you will be required at project completion to name your plan)
- Enhancement of the FIP partnership

- 2b)** Will the partnership use an existing federal recovery or subbasin plan to assist it with either or both activities above?

Yes (name the plan(s)): Draft NOAA Recovery Plan. Grande Ronde Subbasin Plan. Imnaha Subbasin Plan.

No

- 2c)** While you may not yet know exactly how many acres your proposed FIP will cover, you no doubt have a general idea, which is all federal partners require at this stage. Please attach a map showing the general area you currently believe the partnership will ultimately work in and estimate the overall number of acres here:

Estimated number of acres for a future Implementation FIP: 1,155,072 acres.