

California Landscape Conservation Cooperative – Tribal & TEK Team Fiscal Year 2015 Recommendations for the Steering Committee

Next Steps for 2015 [highlighted items need Steering Committee input and approval for FY 2015 funding]

- Support monthly or bi-monthly (as needed) conference calls and an informational email list
 - Set 3-year goals and objectives for the Team
 - A 'Statement of Purpose' will be developed
 - A Cooperative TEK/Science Strategy may be developed
 - Identify and communicate with potential new TEK/Tribal Team participants
 - Take advantage of opportunities (e.g. existing forums, tribal advisory committees) to present information about the CA LCC to tribal audiences (a 'formal message' and standard slides will be prepared for Team members who will present information about the Team)
 - Identify a formal Tribal Team representative for the CA LCC Steering Committee by mid-2015, or sooner if possible
 - Help recruit tribal members for participation in existing (and to-be-funded) CA LCC projects
 - From the CA LCC Science-Management Framework: "TEK experts will help guide identification of priority resources, information gaps, and understanding of changing ecosystem processes"
- Work with partners to support one in-person meeting of the Tribal and TEK Team in 2015
- Work with partners to support a Tribal Climate Adaptation workshop
 - Regionally-based with a focus on helping tribes assess vulnerabilities to climate change and develop adaptation strategies
 - Training on ways to work with state, federal agencies and other to advance co-management
- Support a facilitator (CCP?) (approximately 9 months)
 - Assist with calls and in-person meeting to develop the Statement of Purpose
 - Provide support for the Tribal Climate Adaptation workshop
- Develop an RFP for one TEK pilot project that demonstrates how collaborative resource management (co-management) can lead to better conservation outcomes

Other LCCs - Tribal Engagement and Funding

- Great Basin LCC: \$600,000 Available for Science and Traditional Ecological Knowledge Projects
http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/info/newsroom/2014/july/great_basin_lcc_.html [FY 2014]
- Indigenous Peoples and Northwest Climate Initiatives: Exploring the Role of Traditional Ecological Knowledge in Resource Management
http://www4.nau.edu/tribalclimatechange/tribes/docs/tribes_NPLCC.pdf ["In 2012, the North Pacific LCC and the Northwest Climate Science Center awarded over \$300,000 in funds to seven projects that facilitate the use of traditional ecological knowledge to help inform natural and cultural resource management"]

- **Tribal Wisdom and Western Science: A Holistic Approach to Conservation** [North Pacific LCC]
<http://usfwspacific.tumblr.com/post/65785087613/tribal-wisdom-western-science-a-holistic>
["Increasingly, resource management agencies are looking at how natural resources respond to climate change. Using the scientific method, their tools typically favor analytical and reductionist approaches. This western science methodology can miss complex interactions between people and the broader ecosystem. When TEK is considered along with western science, we gain a more holistic understanding of our natural environment, enabling us to create a more resilient future for the Pacific Northwest"]
- **NW Climate Science Center FY 2013 Tribal Project Portfolio:**
<http://www.doi.gov/csc/northwest/news/nw-csc-announces-fy-13-tribal-project-portfolio.cfm>