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Stakeholder Engagement Group: February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 4:00 – 5:00 PM Meeting Notes

Zoom Video Conference (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83648669936?pwd=T01zUG9LY29FaXZGeGZ3Tk5pVWhyZz09)

#### **Attendance**

**X:** In-person attendance **V:** Video attendance

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Visitors and Others:

WSU graduate student: Lauren Kirkpatrick (V)

Moscow Mayor: Art Bettge (V)

**Call to Order:** Paul Kimmell called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM, facilitated group introductions, and mentioned the SEG Charter/Mission in the agenda.

## 1) Palouse Basin Revisioning Tool: Lauren Kirkpatrick/WSU

 Revisioning Tool website and survey: Kirkpatrick shared the website and walked through the revisioning tool. She stated the purpose of the Tool and survey is two-

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fold: to see 1) which version of the revisioning tool helped people understand the science better, and 2) which alternative people favor.

• **Group discussion/feedback:** Recommended using more straightforward words instead of academic words (ex. using website or platform instead of interface).

### 2) PBAC Awareness Poll Findings: Paul Kimmell/PBAC

Kimmell shared slides and summarized the Google poll results.

# 3) Palouse Water Supply Alternatives update and Decision Matrix Discussion: Robin Nimmer/Alta

- **Project Status:** Nimmer provided a brief update on the work Alta's team is doing.
- **Decision Matrix:** Nimmer shared the decision matrix criteria and the weights.
- Group discussion/feedback:
  - i. The unit cost/acre feet criterion weight is too high; recommend lowering it.
  - ii. The long-term reliability criterion weight is too low; recommend increasing it.
  - iii. The communities should consider increasing water rates now to help pay for the project and to help increase conservation participation.

### 4) Closing Remarks: Paul Kimmell/PBAC

• **Homework:** Nimmer asked the group to think about any criterion gaps in the decision matrix.

### 5) Adjourn at 5:05 PM