



## Marion Soil and Water Conservation District

### Education Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

9:00 am via [Zoom](#)

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## AGENDA

**Call to Order** – Scott Walker, Chair

### Potential Env. Ed. Partner Funding Stream

1. Consider developing a process for offering capacity funding for environmental/natural resource-focused education groups/ organizations in Marion County.
2. Similar to providing capacity funding for watershed councils working within the geographic boundaries of Marion SWCD, we could offer capacity funding for organizations that provide natural resources education within the geographic boundaries of Marion SWCD. This would extend our reach and our ability to achieve our mission.
3. Examples of Organizations: [Straub Outdoors](#), [Salem Environmental Education](#), [Native Plant Society](#), 4-H and FFA clubs, [Oregon Ag Fest](#), etc
4. Do we recommend developing a process to provide annual capacity funding for environmental education organizations in Marion County? What is the best way to proceed to ensure what we offer is fair and accessible to all environmental education organizations serving Marion County?

### Streamlined Salmon Watch Funding Assistance

1. Each year, Marion SWCD coordinates Salmon Watch field trips for students in Marion County. We offer funding to cover buses and subs for these trips.
2. Currently, we require teachers to use the same process for Salmon Watch subs and buses that we use for all other CLEAR grants.
3. Streamlining the process will be more efficient for teachers and ourselves.
4. Teachers I have spoken to are in favor of a simplified process. The Program Committee is going through a similar process for certain kinds of LAP grants.
5. Please see attached:
  - a. Salmon Watch Process Draft
  - b. Salmon Watch Grant Instructions Draft
  - c. Salmon Watch Funding Question List Draft
  - d. Salmon Watch Evaluation Questions Draft
  - e. Salmon Watch Approval and Denial Form Drafts
  - f. Salmon Watch FollowUp Form Draft
6. Items c. through f. are Foundant System forms that will be fillable online just like CLEAR grants.
7. What are the recommendations of the committee?

**Adjournment** – Scott Walker, Chair

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### Help Spread the Word...

#### Upcoming Education Events

1. Salem Saturday Market - 6/18, 7/16
2. Other Community Events – Stayton HS Summer Kick off (6/14), Homer Davenport Days (Aug 5-7), Englewood Forest Festival (8/13), Community Salmon Watch Day (9/11),
3. Youth Education – Salmon Watch Field Trips – Sept. 14-Oct. 13 (not Oct 4-7); Salem Outdoor School Oct 4-7
4. First Fridays – [Sept 1 – Stephanie Hazen on Monarch Butterflies](#)– First Friday of each month from 12-12:45 pm (none in July, August speaker not identified yet))
5. KMUZ Conservation Spotlight podcast – [June 15 at 8 am and 6 pm – Owen Dell on Water Management in the Yard and Garden](#) – (MSWCD hosts in March, June, September, and December)

#### Committee Members

Board: Scott Walker, Mark Fields, Darin Olson

Staff: Heath Keirstead, Janice Calkins, Becky Pineda

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