

NFCP ExComm Mtg Notes
April 11, 2016

Attendees: Andrea Leslie, Fred Harris, Erin McCombs, Shannon O'Quinn, Janet Mizzi

Team Leader Updates

Outreach and Education (Andrea for Jason)

- Jeremy will be out in April, filming for videos

Assessment

- Nothing to report

Implementation (Shannon)

- Shannon submitted a \$100K request to expand the Shade Your Stream program in the Tennessee Valley. Jason spoke with GA and TN partners of the NFCA area. Will know about funding in June.
- Due to the interest in the on-line mapping tool at the last joint Assessment and Implementation Team meeting & because we didn't receive the Duke Water Resources grant, we need to start working on the follow-up steps to the meeting. Andrea will pull together a meeting of Shannon, Erin, Janet, and Stephanie.

Communication (Shannon for Gary)

- Sicklefin Redhorse sampling will occur within a month. TVA will be writing an article. Gary may do a story, as well. Highlight NFCA?

Fundraising (Fred)

- Duke Water Resources Fund – resubmitted an LOI, with some modifications. If we are invited to submit a full proposal, we need more specificity on how we will use the videos.
- Snorkeling project. NCAFS gave ½ the amount we requested. Bass Pro store in Cary supportive of the project. Spoke with Field and Stream. NC Wildlife Federation will fund the other ½ of the project. Timeframe – hope to have the gear ready to go June 1. Fred is working with Jason and Mike LaVoie.

General Updates

- American Rivers. Mandy Carringer was hired, to be based in Cullowhee and should be involved in the NFCP. Will be working on a Tuckasegee River Blue Trail; end goal – protect riverside land.
- Erin talked with Defenders of Wildlife about NFCP. Andrea will call Ben Prater and invite them to be involved.

Steering Committee Meeting – June 24

- Group talked about there being less need for a full SC meeting. Perhaps use it as an ExComm meeting?
- Group decided to keep it as a Steering Committee meeting (or at least invite the whole SC), but to have a shorter business portion of the meeting and a longer team-building part of the meeting, with the team-building being something out in the field, such as a canoe trip, snorkeling trip, or monitoring trip.
- Ideas for the meeting
 - What is being done in the EBCI?
 - Invite Jeremy to the meeting?
 - An example – for the Clinch-Powell partnership, had a 4-5 hour adventure. Had picnic (bag lunch), did a float trip. Released mussels along the way. Jeremy filmed and took pics.
- Andrea will get with Gary and Mike LaVoie and brainstorm ideas.