

Whitman County VSP Budget

July 2023 through June 2024

Staff	Hrs/Month	12 Month Total
Jodi Prout – Ed & Outreach	12	\$7,369.92
Brad Johnson - Coordinator	53	\$61,943.48
Kara - Admin	5	\$3,229.16
Whitman CD		\$13,150
Rock Lake CD		\$13,500
Pine Creek CD		\$13,150
Total Salaries/Benefits/Overhead		\$112,342.56
Travel		\$1,857.44
Goods and Services	Post Card Mailings	\$5,000
Action Map Maintenance		\$800.00
Monitoring		\$47,000.00
	TOTALS	\$167,000

Budget Breakdown for Salaries/Benefits/Overhead and Travel

TASKS	a through l Deliverables	12 Month Total
#1 Education/Outreach/TA/Cost-Share Program	a, c, d, g, l	\$92,864
#2 Monitoring/Reporting/Adaptive Management	a, e, h, i, j, k, l	\$69,852
#3 VSP Work Group Coordination	b	\$4,284
	TOTALS	\$167,000

A through l deliverables for VSP Implementation from WSCC:

- (a) Review and incorporate applicable data and plans
- (b) Seek input from tribes, agencies, and stakeholders
- (c) Develop goals for participation by agriculture operators to meet the plan
- (d) Ensure outreach and technical assistance is provided to operators
- (e) Create a measurable benchmark for protection and enhancement
- (f) Designate the entity that will provide technical assistance
- (g) Provide technical assistance
- (h) Incorporate any existing development regulations
- (i) Establish baseline monitoring
- (j) Conduct periodic evaluations and institute adaptive management and provide written reports
- (k) Assist state agencies in their monitoring programs
- (l) Satisfy any other reporting requirements of the program

Whitman County VSP Work Plan was approved on June 20, 2017

Tasks for VSP Implementation (from June of 2017 to present):

- 1. Education, Outreach, Technical Assistance, and VSP Cost-Share Program**
 - Completed brochures, radio ads, website, articles, postcards, and Action Map
 - Working with Bill Eller on VSP funding – providing comments and reviewing budget
 - Organizing information on budgets and potential projects
 - Got feedback on potential cost-share programs
 - VSP Work Group approved VSP Cost-Share Program on March 21, 2023
 - Develop cost-share applications and assist cooperators in filling out applications
- 2. Monitoring/Reporting/Adaptive management**
 - Getting all completed projects into the spreadsheet
 - Completed monthly and quarterly reporting
 - Completed 1st 2-Year Status Review
 - Completed 2021 5-Year VSP Report
 - Completed 2nd 2-Year Status Review
- 3. VSP Work Group Coordination**
 - Holding at least quarterly VSP Work Group Meetings
 - Ensuring that tasks and deliverables are consistent with VSP needs

Deliverables a through l

- (a) Review and incorporate applicable data and plans**
 - Working with WSCC on a cost-share policy for VSP funding
- (b) Seek input from tribes, agencies, and stakeholders – On-going**
- (c) Develop goals for participation by agriculture operators to meet plan – Included in Work Plan**
- (d) Ensure outreach and technical assistance is provided to operators**
 - Completed brochure and developed a Whitman VSP Website
 - Completed VSP Action Map to track stewardship at farm level and report at WRIA
 - Talked with grower groups and gave VSP presentations
- (e) Create a measurable benchmark for protection and enhancement – Completed and in Plan**
- (f) Designate the entity that will provide technical assistance – Designated by Work Group**
- (g) Provide technical assistance**
 - Completed brochure and developed a Whitman VSP Website
 - SRFB, WSCC, and VSP funding for stewardship identified in Work Plan
- (h) Incorporate any existing development regulations – Completed and in Plan**
- (i) Establish baseline monitoring**
 - Complete Whitman VSP Monitoring Plan
 - Entering completed projects into the spreadsheet
 - Following monitoring for water quality and critical area monitoring identified in Plan
- (j) Conduct periodic evaluations and institute adaptive management and provide written reports**
 - Completed monthly vouchers and quarterly reporting
 - Quarterly VSP Implementation Meetings
- (k) Assist state agencies in their monitoring programs**
 - Working with streamflow data to see how projects are affecting summer low flows
- (l) Satisfy any other reporting requirements of program – On-going**

Whitman County VSP Participation and Monitoring Metrics

Participation:

Updating Action Map platform to correlate stewardship with critical areas -	\$1,200
VSP education and outreach on monitoring -	\$4,000
Funding for local database for all 4 CD's cost-share funded practices – the Action Map gets everything from producers that volunteer to participate but we are missing CD-funded and other program-funded projects from producers who are not in the action map. -	\$3,400
Fair booth and cover that is VSP-focused with information that is easy to display -	\$1,000

Monitoring:

Development of VSP Monitoring Plan by July 1, 2024	\$20,000
Flow monitoring device	\$12,000
Testing for caffeine in fecal coliform tests	
Water quality sampling analysis	
Aerial analysis for PHS, wetlands and riparian areas	\$ 1,400
Agriculture soil loss changes	
Analysis and reporting on monitoring information in the VSP Work Plan	<u>\$ 4,000</u>
	\$47,000