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Re: Collaborative - Source Water Protection Grant Guidelines Update

Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders and Tribal Partners:

In accordance with chapter [43.376 RCW](#), the [Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989](#), and [DOH Consultation and Collaboration Procedure](#), we invite collaboration on updating our guidelines and establishing funding priorities for the [Source Water Protection Local Assistance Grant Program](#). A draft agenda of the virtual listening session is attached to this letter.

Meeting Type	Date and Time	Zoom Meeting Information
Listening Session	Monday, June 16, 2025 3:30 – 5:00 pm	859 4405 3114 Passcode: 891990

About the Source Water Protection Program

More than 6.2 million Washington residents get drinking water from public water systems that use groundwater, surface water, or springs. Source water protection is the first barrier to provide safe and reliable drinking water to communities by reducing the risk of contamination and decline in supply.

About the Source Water Protection Grant Guidelines

The Source Water Protection Local Assistance Grant provides funding for watershed and wellhead projects that protect public drinking water sources. We're updating grant guidelines and seeking feedback from our tribal partners on what projects we should prioritize and how we can make our funding easier to access, especially in communities most impacted by water quality and quantity concerns. More information is available in the [Local Assistance Grant Program Guidelines 331-552 \(PDF\)](#).

For additional information, please contact Holly Myers, Director, Office of Drinking Water at holly.myers@doh.wa.gov or 564-200-2493 or Candice Wilson, Executive Director, Office of Tribal Public Health and Relations (OTPHR), at candice.wilson@doh.wa.gov or 360-819-7626.

Sincerely,

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