

Technical Team Profile

Long Tom Watershed Council

Purpose

The Technical Team is a standing, Non-Board Committee* comprising people with scientific backgrounds or technical expertise. Its function is to help the Council meet its goals regarding improved watershed conditions through enhancement plans and projects. The Technical Team will review projects for feasibility and appropriateness. Technical Team will also recommend priorities to Staff or Steering Committee as requested. There will be one joint member of Steering Committee and Technical Team at all times.

**For the powers and restriction of non-board committees, please refer to LTWC bylaws, Section VI:2.*

Scope of Work

- Assist and advise with project identification, development, and prioritization, including attending site visits as requested and available.
- Assist and advise with the Conservation Strategy and other strategic planning efforts.
- Assist and advise on other science-related issues, including Adaptive Management principles and practices.
- Provide technical expertise as requested and able, such as for tours, discussions with grantors, council meetings and discussions, documents.

Timeline

Meet on a regular basis, 2-4 times per year, including meeting(s) 1-2 months before project grants are submitted.

Leadership

Chair - currently open

Chair may be rotated by decision of the Technical Team.

Membership

- **Ed Alverson**, *The Nature Conservancy*, Botanist, *Expertise-conservation of wetlands and threatened upland habitat (oak savanna, prairie, woodlands, old growth)*
- **Becky Flitcroft**, *Oregon State University*, *Research Fellow in Fisheries*; *Expertise-fish population ecology (research, analysis, population dynamics focus)*
- **Jared Jabousek**, *U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service*, Wildlife Biologist, *Expertise-restoration of wetlands, prairie, savanna, and woodlands.*
- **Karen Hans**, *Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife*, Fisheries Biologist (*management & field focus*)
- **Pat McDowell**, *U of O*, Fluvial Geomorphologist, *Expertise- Morphological responses to river restoration.*
- **Wes Messinger**, *U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*, Botanist, *terrestrial insects*
- **Pamela Wright**, *DEQ*, *water quality, riparian ecology*
- **Ryan Ruggiero**, *McKenzie River Trust*, *implementing partner, conservation easements, landscape planning*
- **Kendra Smith**, *Bonneville Environmental Foundation*, *stream ecologist, floodplain manager*
- **Peg Boulay**, *UO*, *wildlife ecologist, student learning program connection*
- **Leo Poole**, *BLM*, *fisheries biologist*
- **Ad-Hoc Members**, *as needed*

Staff

- **Cindy Thieman**, *Restoration Director* - *Expertise - biology, water quality, planning, restoration design and implementation*
- **Jed Kaul**, *Aquatic Projects Manager* - *Expertise - fisheries, riparian ecology*
- **Board Liaison: Mike Brinkley**