



SCOTT WHITE

Principal Environmental Planner

Scott White, principal environmental planner and Confluence President, provides leadership and strategy to planning and permitting efforts in support of transportation and other capital projects for state and municipal agencies and private developers. Scott has 20 years of experience as a planner and environmental professional with extensive experience in transportation, habitat restoration, surface water, agricultural, and rural/urban land use and development proposals. Scott maintains in-depth knowledge of local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and policies relating to transportation, land use, surface water, and natural resource management. His success as an agent for public and private project proponents negotiating with local, state, and federal permitting agencies has earned him a high level of professional respect and credibility with agency staff. Scott is a dynamic and highly motivated leader who delivers results by effectively managing and coordinating diverse multidisciplinary teams.

Representative Projects

State Route (SR) 520 Corridor Improvement and Bridge Replacement Program, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Seattle, WA.

Regulatory Compliance Manager and Permitting Lead. Managed permit acquisition and regulatory compliance for all three mega-projects included in the \$4.6 billion State Route 520 Bridge Replacement Program. Also served as the manager for the Program Permit Team. Developed the overall permit strategy and schedule for both Design/Bid/Build and Design/Build projects. Provided leadership and strategic planning for mitigation, Endangered Species Act, National/State Environmental Policy acts (NEPA/SEPA), and natural resource fieldwork and documentation. Drafted contracts and scopes of work, and provided technical, scheduling, and staff supervision. Managed agency/stakeholder coordination and negotiation for natural and built environment permits, approvals, and compliance certifications. Continues to provide management of a complex multi-agency permitting process for the project with the City of Seattle, Washington State departments of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) and Ecology, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), and Coast Guard. In addition, he coordinates environmental compliance with construction activities such as environmental monitoring and fish exclusion.

McSorley Creek Pocket Estuary Restoration Project at Saltwater State Park, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Des Moines, WA.

Project Manager. This project will redesign and reconstruct the beach front, nearshore, tributary stream, and park layout of Saltwater State Park to enhance habitat for salmon, protect CCC-era structures and tribal resources, and create a better recreational park experience. Scott is managing all aspects of the project to deliver a robust site investigation, an alternatives analysis, preliminary and final design, cultural resources assessment, NEPA/SEPA review, and permitting. Scott has also planned and facilitated outreach to stakeholders including local affected tribes, park users, citizens, and other agency stakeholders. He planned and facilitated design workshops as well as open houses for the general public, and developed mail and website outreach materials.

On-Call Environmental Services and Ovenell Wetland Delineation, City of Stanwood, WA. *Project Manager.* Managing a number of on-call work authorizations for the City's Community Development Department. Successfully completed projects include a critical areas study, including wetland and ordinary high water mark delineation on the City's "Ovenell Farms" property, which the City is converting to a park and historical site. The project resulted in a report that meets the requirements of the Stanwood Municipal Code, Ecology, and the Corps. This project included an archeological and architectural historical survey and assessment for the farm buildings, residence, and the original river dike and railway located onsite, all of which were determined eligible for the



EDUCATION

B.A., Economics/ Political Science,
Western Washington University,
Bellingham, 1995

CERTIFICATIONS

Wetland Identification/Delineation,
Everett Community College, 2000

EXPERTISE

Project and Program Management
Environmental Planning and Permitting
Environmental Documentation
ESA Consultation
Transportation and Development
Planning

National Historic Register. Other work orders under this on-call included the Pioneer Highway Water Main Replacement Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA) entailing preparation of a JARPA permit application and the Irvine Slough Permitting Project, entailing preparation of HPA, Corps Nationwide Permit 3, Ecology Section 401 Letter of Verification.

Full Spectrum of Environmental Services On Call Consultant Contract, Snohomish County, WA. *Contract Manager.* Managing this on-call contract that began in 2014 and has been extended effective through December 2019. Projects conducted under this master contract include water quality monitoring and fish exclusion work conducted for two projects – the Blue Bridge #538 Monte Cristo Grade Road Mitigation Project and the Waldheim Slide Mitigation Project; and a project for land use entitlement, SEPA compliance, and construction permitting for a proposed terminal at Paine Field Airport (see project description below).

SR 164 Bypass Interchange Justification Report (IJR), Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, SE King County, WA. *Environmental Manager/EIS Lead.* This current project proposes a new interchange on SR 18 and an access roadway connecting to SR 164. Scott is coordinating IJR efforts with simultaneously prepared EIS scoping efforts. Work includes researching environmental constraints affecting the proposed roadway/interchange configurations in support of options analysis. The project is currently in the scoping and alternatives development phase. Existing baseline conditions and information is being collected to inform the development of potential alternatives and their associated impacts. A public involvement plan is being designed to involve stakeholders in alternatives development. In addition, the work requires close coordination with WSDOT and FHWA.

Culvert Replacement Corps Permitting and Engineering Review Services, Snohomish County Department of Public Works Surface Water Management (SWM), Snohomish County, WA. *Project Manager.* Managing project to determine applicable Corps regulatory requirements for 17 proposed culvert replacements. Work has involved preliminary review of culvert and detention pond designs for compliance with Clean Water Act Section 404; field investigations of each proposed project to determine potential impacts to Waters of the United States; evaluation of culvert designs to determine the jurisdictional status of each culvert replacement project and anticipated permitting requirements; and coordination with Snohomish County SWM, WDFW, the Corps, and the Tulalip and Stillaguamish Indian Tribes to review and evaluate jurisdictional determinations and permit acquisition needs. The culvert replacements are being designed to meet the current Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife guidelines for fish passage, and to correct barriers to fish passage. Two of the culverts were replaced in summer, 2017, with the remaining culverts to be replaced over the next two in-water work windows (2018-19). Stream channel, bank modification, and restoration/mitigation are elements of these projects. Additionally, construction sequencing had to be developed to address potential road closures or detours to replace culverts through public roads.

Land Use Entitlement, SEPA Compliance, and Construction Permitting for Proposed Commercial Air Service Terminal, Snohomish County Paine Field Airport, Snohomish County, WA. *Project Manager.* Managed project to provide third-party SEPA review for proposed construction of an approximate 29,000-square-foot terminal to be used for commercial air services. Work included review of existing NEPA documentation for adoption under SEPA, review of SEPA Notice of Action public and agency comments received, and development of recommendations regarding the appropriate SEPA Threshold Determination (TD). Successfully worked with the county and the applicant to develop mitigation actions that allowed a Determination of Non-Significance to be issued for the project. The mitigation actions addressed multiple stakeholder concerns that had been received during the SEPA public commenting period (e.g., air quality, noise, traffic, and stormwater quality).

Japanese Gulch Creek Fish Passage Design and Habitat Restoration, City of Mukilteo, Mukilteo, WA. *Project Manager.* Provided project management and served as client liaison for the design and implementation of cost effective solutions for barriers to fish passage and habitat enhancement on Japanese Gulch Creek. The project included construction of facilities to enhance fish passage at a culvert junction box and a perched culvert, followed by design of habitat enhancement through relocation of a portion of the stream from an engineered channel to its historical channel, and finally the enhancement of fish passage targeting juvenile fish movement between the main stream and an off-channel wetland. When cultural resources were encountered during construction, managed the required assessment. Artifacts that were diagnostic, complete, and archaeologically significant were prepared for permanent curation at the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture, in Seattle.