2010/11 FINAL REPORT

FSWP File Number*

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1. Project Information

1.1. Project Title

Monitoring and Compliance Panel

1.2. Proponent's Legal Name

Fraser Basin Council Society

1.3. Project Location

Throughout the Fraser Basin and BC, with a focus on the lower Fraser.

1.4. Contact for this report

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1.5 Funding Amount

Original Approved Grant Amount:	Total FSWP Expenditures:	Final Invoice Amount:	Final Non-FSWP leveraging, including cash and in-kind:
\$70,000	\$70,000	\$14,000	\$88,325 cash \$239,562 in-kind

2. Project Summary

Please provide a single paragraph describing your project, its objectives, and the results. As this summary may be used in program communications, clearly state the issue(s) that were addressed and avoid overly technical descriptions. Maximum 300 words.

The Integrated Salmon Dialogue Forum Monitoring and Compliance Panel has functioned in the last year primarily to Promote an understanding of, and confidence in, fisheries monitoring and compliance practices within all sectors and the public. Advancing credibility and trust amongst parties, through regular Panel meetings and their meetings with key stakeholders, was a key objective and was largely felt to have been achieved. Specific more tangible deliverables included the delivery of a very well received four-day Peacemakers training course, for a cross section of those involved in the fishery and fish environment. That training explored traditional and reinvented roles and may be considered to have been one of the project highlights. The "Charting Our Course" report, draft attached, articulates the Panel's shared strategy for catch Monitoring and compliance and the roadmap ahead, and is visionary as well as intentionally "sharable" as a communications piece that has benefited from a collaborative safe space created through FSWP funding.

OPTIONAL: Please give a short statement (up to 100 words) of the most compelling activity or outcome from your project.

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A four day Peacemakers training course was delivered to representatives from all key fisheries stakeholder groups (First Nations, Commercial and Recreational fishers, environmental groups, government regulators and enforcement, etc) which offered and tested enabling techniques designed to diffuse situations with the potential for conflict to escalate, and to explore shared values and approaches to life on the river. Participants rated the course as very effective and practical with lessons learned/relationships forged likely to be utilized in the near future.

3. Final Project Results and Effectiveness

3.1 Please copy THE EXPECTED DELIVERABLES from your detailed proposal and insert into this table. Add additional rows as needed. Then describe the FINAL DELIVERABLES (the tangible end products resulting from this work) associated with each expected Deliverable.

If FINAL DELIVERABLES differ from the original EXPECTED DELIVERABLES, please describe why, and the implications for the project.

EXPECTED DELIVERABLES	FINAL DELIVERABLES
Best Management Practices Guidebook	Charting our Course Strategy and Framework Draft for Discussion prepared
2. Pilot Project to Demonstrate Best Management Practices/Collaborative Decision Making	Lower Fraser Pilot Meetings held
Communication Plan Development and Implementation	Completed Communication Plan
4. Peacemaker Training	Peacemaker Training –test session + 4-day course

3.2 Please evaluate the EFFECTIVENESS of your project in achieving Project Objectives. Identify the indicators you have used to measure the effectiveness of your project. Please include any notable successes or challenges.

Judging the effectiveness of an initiative that has an objective to promote more collaborative decision-making processes and promote confidence in systems, can be difficult. In the case of the work of the M&C Panel in 2010/11, the second year of the project, however, the successes are more tangible. The Panel met regularly with specific tasks to be delivered upon, that included advancing the best management practices guidebook, creating a training program for Peacemaking, developing clear communications materials and connecting with fishers in the area of the lower Fraser river.

Each task was challenging, but proved to be highly effective in building trust and confidence in monitoring and compliance practices. The report, the training, and the communication of the work of the Panel (highlighted through presentations delivered at the Cohen Commission) have all been very tangible results from the Panel's work this year.

3.4 IF applicable, please describe how your project has achieved one or more of the following supported processes (Section 2.2 of RFP; section 7 of detailed proposal template). If results differ from those originally anticipated, please describe.

Engagement of First Nations. Please specify who, and in what capacity.	Several First Nations fishery organizations and their representatives have been involved in the work of the M&C Panel, including Ernie Crey, Frank Malloway and others
Active partnerships with one or more organizations.	Active partnerships with DFO, Province of BC, Watershed Watch, CSAB, SFAB, Skeena Fisheries Council, and others

Engagement and participation of	
diverse and under-represented	
groups.	
Relationship building, as a foundation for sustainable, enduring activities.	The relationships developed throughout this process are deep and trust worthy, allowing future dialogue on challenging issues to be discussed in a manner that will allow progress and consensus to be reached.
Capacity building, including	The Peacemakers training was very successful and as improved, will be
mentorship models, leadership	a much sought after course to build skills that reduce conflict on the
training and skills development.	river.
Recognition and support of champions and their initiatives.	M&C Panel representatives were asked to contribute to the Cohen Commission and the work has been acknowledged as a significant way forward in building capacity and trust in monitoring and compliance
Opportunities to influence policy and decision making,	Considerable trust has developed between the panel with DFO to the point that documents are being shared and vetted for improvement from both parties.

3.5 Please describe how the benefits of this project will be sustained and/or be built upon into the future. What are the planned next steps, or recommendations for further work, if applicable?

The M&C Panel will continue to build upon the successes of this year's work in its 3rd and final year and will conduct engagement with harvest and non-harvest sectors around the "Charting Our Course" Report to finalize that document. Through planned Field Trips and a possible Pilot Project designed to improve catch monitoring programs and generate confidence in each sectors numbers, the group will engage all stakeholders in the evaluation of current and desired levels of fisheries monitoring and catch reporting programs for all fisheries in Pacific Region. The Panel's work will be instrumental in building best practices, in promoting a widespread appreciation of the importance of monitoring and compliance practices, and in addressing issues related to access, certification, traceability, and in season adjustments.

- 3.6. What are the top three lessons learned from this project that could be useful to communicate to others doing similar work in the Basin?
- **1.** Building a multi-stakeholder team that is empowered to tackle key issues faced by government and others, which then reports back to those constituents, builds the capacity of those organizations and individuals and enables progress to be made against the seemingly unsolvable historically positional policies and programs.
- 2. Projects that financially support nominal travel and expenses have greater capacity to engage NGOs and First Nations.
- 3. Groups which practice good collaboration build individuals who trust more and demand higher quality processes.

REQUIRED: Attach all DOCUMENTATION of Final Deliverables, and LIST attachments in Section 7. These may include technical reports, maps, photos, evidence of communications, lists of meeting participants, etc.

4. Outreach and Communications

Please describe how you have communicated project activities and results within local and basin-wide communities, across organizations and/or to decision makers.

Please list and attach copies of (or links to) any communications materials from these efforts that you have not previously submitted.

Panel representatives from First Nations, commercial & recreational fisheries, conservation & environmental non-profit sectors who are experienced in matters related to the conservation and sustainability of salmon and other species, have credibility within their constituencies and so are able to communicate results effectively to their constituencies. The M&C Panel has developed key messages and communications products directed at various target audiences to raise awareness and understanding regarding the importance of effective monitoring and compliance practices in all sectors. Recent presentations included the October 2010 Visions Conference and May & November 2010 IHPC Meeting, as well as having individuals appear before the Cohen Commission and have been request to present as a Panel to that Commission in April 2011. The Panel developed communications products, in particular the Charting Our Course report, that will be directed a both harvest sector and public audiences.