



LAKE CHELAN COLLABORATIVE

MEETING 1 – LAKE CHELAN WATERSHED RESTORATION PLAN
SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

Welcome and Overview

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Agenda Overview

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Meeting Objectives

- Overview of the project goals, key milestones, and timeline.
- Discuss watershed issues and associated categories to guide focus of future meetings.
- Walk through draft decision-making structure and solicit LCC member feedback.
- Gain insights from LCC members about what success looks like for the plan and LCC goals for public engagement.

Meeting Agenda

Time	Agenda Item
20 min	Welcome and Agenda Overview
25 min	Introduction to the Lake Chelan Watershed Restoration Plan and Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan
45 min	LCC Group Discussion #1 – Issue Identification and Categorization
10 min	BREAK
30 min	LCC Group Discussion #2 - Operating Principles – Decision-making Structure
40 min	LCC Group Discussion #3 – Successful planning and engagement
10 min	Wrap Up and Next Steps

Introductions and Icebreaker

Share:

- Name and affiliation
- Icebreaker prompt -- *What is the first word that comes to mind when you think about the Lake Chelan watershed?*

Developing the Lake Chelan Watershed Restoration Plan

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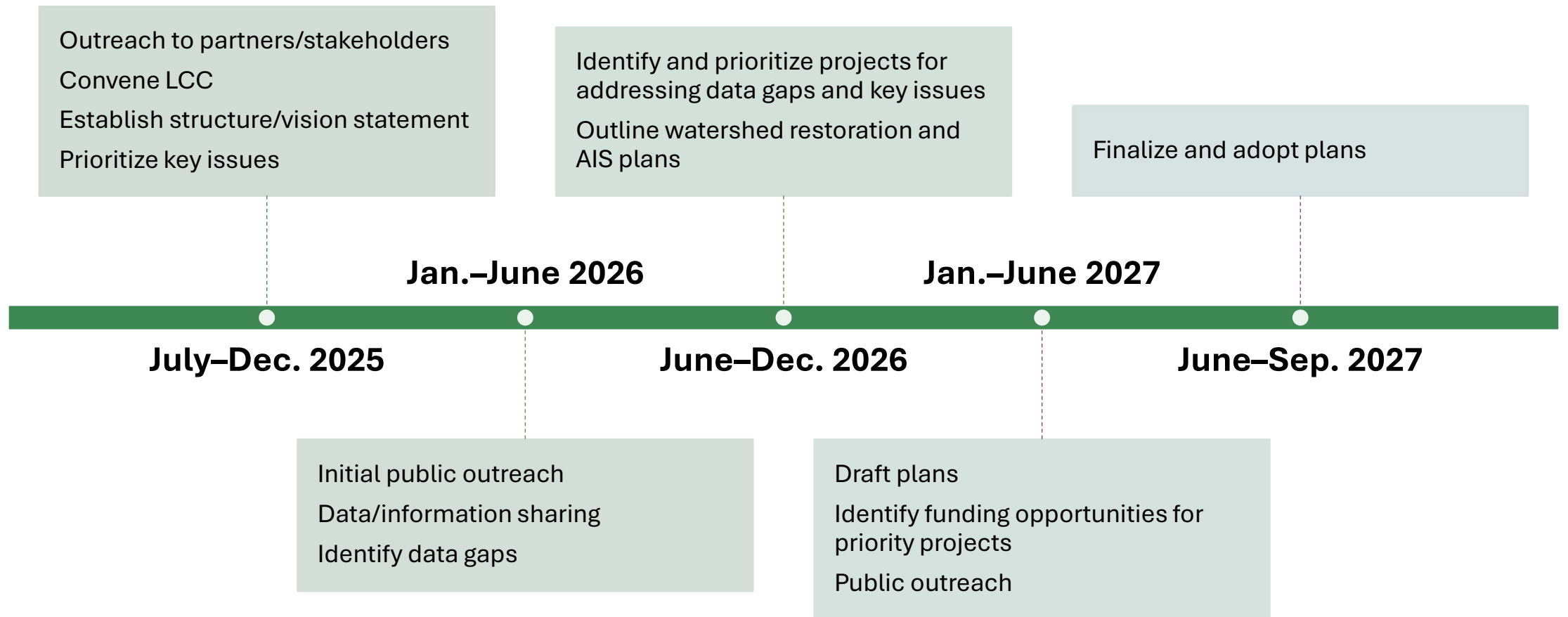
Tasks

1. Convene Lake Chelan Collaborate (LCC)
 - Quarterly LCC Meetings (9) and AIS Subcommittee meetings
2. Public outreach planning and implementation
3. Compilation and sharing of existing data/studies, identify data gaps and recommend studies
4. Prepare Lake Chelan Watershed Restoration Plan and AIS Management Plan

Lake Chelan Watershed Restoration Plan

- Document and prioritize major challenges
- Describe the history of the watershed and past/ongoing restoration/conservation efforts
- Identify data gaps and propose projects for addressing gaps
- Propose restoration/conservation projects
- Identify funding opportunities

Key Milestones



Future meetings



Meetings 1-2

Operating principles
Issue identification and prioritization
LCC goal and vision setting
Public outreach planning



Meetings 3-5

Topic specific technical presentations and discussions
Subcommittee formation/meetings



Meetings 6-7

Prioritization of projects
Plan outline
Additional public outreach planning



Meeting 8-9

Refinement and finalizing watershed plan

Key Decision Points

Item	Q4 2025	Q1 2026	Q1 2027	Q3 2027
Operating principles and vision statement	X			
Prioritization of issues/topics		X		
Public communication and outreach plan		X		
Project prioritization			X	
Adopt Lake Chelan Watershed Restoration Plan				X
Adopt Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plan				X

Clarifying Questions?

Discussion #1 - Issue Identification

What are the categories and specific issues related to resource management in Lake Chelan that you feel are important?

Examples:

- Water Quality
- Bull Trout
- Water Rights
- Aquatic Invasive Species
- Forest Management

Critical path items to prioritize for discussion on upcoming meetings?

Break

Discussion #2 - Operating Principles

- Roles and Responsibilities
- Decision making structure
- Clarifying questions and suggested edits?

Discussion #3 – Success and Outcomes

What does success look like for the LCC Watershed Planning effort?

Examples:

- The plan itself
- More diverse participation in watershed planning in Lake Chelan
- An increased focus on a certain topic
- A solution to a certain emerging/critical issue
- Increased public engagement

Discussion #4 – Public Outreach

1. What type of information is important to share with the public?
 - i.e. overview of the planning effort, messaging to improve watershed restoration, or other
2. What type of input are you looking for from the general public?
 - i.e. feedback on the planning process, prioritization of issues, or other
3. What are the most effective ways of engagement given responses?

Wrap Up and Next Steps

- Round robin – upcoming agenda items
- Meeting #2 – early December (date TBD)
 - Engagement plan for partners/stakeholders
 - Vision statement
 - Issues prioritization
- Recap of decisions made and next steps