

## **Cowlitz County Voluntary Stewardship Work Group Operating Framework**

- Materials and agendas will be sent seven days prior to each meeting
- Meetings will start promptly on-time
- Agenda will be followed
- All attendees will be encouraged to participate, including those not formally part of the work group
- One speaker at a time – no side discussions
- All ideas and opinions will be heard and respected
- Creative approaches are welcome
- Questions and clarifications should be sought as the process evolves to ensure understanding
- Consensus is preferred decision-making process
- Each meeting will conclude with commitments and next steps
- No individual “represents” the Work Group to the media

### **What We Will Accomplish**

#### PROTECT CRITICAL AREAS & MAINTAIN LONG-TERM VIABILITY OF AGRICULTURE

- Identify Critical Areas and Agricultural Activities
- Identify Economic Viability of Agriculture
- Identify Outreach Plan to Contact Landowners
- Identify Entity to Provide Landowner Assistance
- Identify Measurable Programmatic and Implementation Goals and Benchmarks