### South Devon Catchments Partnership July 16th 2020



Going, Going ....? Time for Action A National Lottery Heritage Fund Project

### In the beginning!



General Decline – Salmon & Sea Trout Numbers

UTFA Life Membership: Will Salmon still run up the Teign?

### The Teign Angling and Conservation Association



### Lottery bid - our Partnership

Lead partner & applicant:

## Teign Angling & Conservation Association



Upper Teign Fishing Association *Founded 1870* 

LOWER TEIGN FISHING ASSOCIATION Founded 1863

In partnership with:









PETER RANDALL-PAGE

### A natural heritage at risk

### Water Framework Directive – Teign

catchment failed to reach GOOD standard



5 Point Approach to restoring salmon in England EA & Partner Bodies

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The Dart & Teign River Improvement Project A Catchment Restoration Fund Project



# A project based on sound evidence



### Practical action (1) – Redd surveys

## Practical action (2) – Identifying and removing local barriers for upstream (adults) and downstream (smolts) migration.





Practical action (3) – *Winter* - targeted coppice management on over-shaded stretches, *Summer* bankside vegetation management for anglers



Practical action (4) – Expand the juvenile fish survey work + electrofishing training for volunteers (WRT)









Practical action (5) – Expand the Riverfly invertebrate monitoring





### Other practical actions: –

- Creating a 'River Watchers' network for the entire catchment.
- Identify / monitor potential sources of pollution.
- Carrying out surveys of avian predators / Smolt survival.
- Improving co-ordination and information exchange between the various agencies.
- Attracting more members to LTFA, UTFA, TACA

### A living heritage at risk



Upper Teign Fishing Association Founded 1870

We want to capture the stories and memories of fishing the River Teign for a new book – proceeds to go back into fish conservation work

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### Engaging new audiences: Castle Drogo







Opportunity to be involved in a new series of displays on angling at Castle Drogo – 130,000 visitors /yr

### Engaging new audiences: Young People



MED Theatre Inspired by Dartmoor A chance to inspire young people and make them more aware of the River and its importance – future anglers / river watchers.



Opportunity to work with an international sculptor / artist and the NT to bring alive the fish migration story to over 200,000 visitors.



### **BUDGET HEADLINES**

Total cash cost - £261,600

EA Cash match funding - £8,000 TACA/UTFA/LTFA Cash - £6,000 Private Donation Cash - £2,000 Clifford Estate Company - £2,500

NLHF Grant Request - £243,100 (93%)

In-kind contribution from NT - £25,000

**PROJECT DURATION** 

Jan 2021 – 2025 (4 years)



BIG THANKS TO ALL PARTNERS FOR MATCH FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS + PROFESSIONAL ADVICE & TIME

### The process we followed



- **ü** Determine local need and demand (is it under threat?)
- ü Establish partnership with organisations who share our goals
- ü Set up a small Executive Team
- **ü** Develop a blended proposal which meets our needs and delivers the NLHF goals
- ü Submit Expression of Interest
- **ü** Take full advantage of meetings with NLHF staff offered to help with application
- ü Secure match funding bid below max % intervention
- ü Obtain 'quality' letters of support
- ü Complete and submit application



## The hunt for an outstanding selfemployed Project Officer\* Can You Help?

£27,600 /yr for 2 years (pos. extension) - Tenders to be in by Mid October - Starting Jan 2021