




DATE: May 7, 2002
 TO: Anadromous Fish Committee (AFC)
 FROM: Gary James, Chair  for
 SUBJECT: DRAFT Action Notes for the April 22-23, 2002 AFC Meeting

If there are no objections within five days, these actions will be considered final.

**AFC Meeting
 April 22-23, 2002
 Portland, Oregon**

Draft Action Notes

Attendees: April 22 - John Palensky (NMFS, vice-chair), Pete Hassemer (IDFG), Phil Roger and Doug Hatch (CRITFC), Ron Boyce (ODFW), Tim Roth (USFWS), Steve Namitz (BPT) and Tom Iverson (CBFWA)

April 23 - John Palensky (NMFS, vice-chair), Pete Hassemer (IDFG), Phil Roger (CRITFC), Ron Boyce (ODFW), Tim Roth, Carl Burger, Don Campton and Gayle Zydlewski (USFWS) and Tom Iverson (CBFWA)

By Phone: April 22 - Gary James (CTUIR, chair), David Johnson (WDFW), and Chris Fisher (CCT)

April 23 – David Johnson (WDFW) and Greg Sieglitz (ODFW)

Time Allocation:	Objective 1. FY 2003 Renewal Process	--%
	Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries	90%
	Objective 3. FY 2002 Adjustments	10%

ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda

Steve Namitz requested that we address the Upper and Middle Snake Province project reviews prior to the other provinces since there were only a few anadromous fish projects involved. The group agreed.

ACTION: The Middle and Upper Snake Province project reviews were moved to Agenda Item 4.

ITEM 2: Update on Mainstem and Systemwide Province Review and Innovative Project Solicitation

Tom Iverson provided an update on the Mainstem and Systemwide Solicitation. The BPA solicitation letter will be released on Wednesday April 24 with proposals due on June 3, 2002. See CBFWA's website for more details (<http://www.cbfwa.org/reviewforms/systemwide/default.htm>).

The Innovative solicitation has closed. A total of 37 project proposals were received. CBFWA will be performing their project review during the week of June 3. Please contact Neil Ward if you are interested in participating in that review. For more information regarding the Innovative Solicitation see <http://www.cbfwa.org/files/province/innovative/Default.htm>.

ACTION: No action was taken on this agenda item.

ITEM 3: Collaborative Center for Applied Fish Science

The project sponsor for **Project 200104600**, *Collaborative Center for Applied Fish Science*, has requested consideration and approval to move forward with final design and cost estimates for construction of the Collaborative Center for Applied Fish Science in Hagerman, Idaho. See the attached documentation for this request. The urgency of this request is due to the University of Idaho's construction schedule for other components of the center.

At the May 16, 2001 meeting of the NWPPC, \$200,000 was authorized for planning, design, and permitting for the Collaborative Center for Applied Fish Science (CCAFS). The NWPPC conditioned their recommendation on having a later NWPPC decision on construction funding based on completion of the design work and a detailed construction budget. The AFC understands that in order to maintain progress and meet the University of Idaho construction schedule, due to begin in July 2002, the CRITFC component of the project requires approval in order to allow the university to begin construction.

The AFC strongly encouraged the CRTIFC to continue coordination with all regional interests as well as developing a research plan for the center that could guide and focus research performed there.

ACTION: **The AFC recommends to the MMG approval of this request for funding the construction and equipment costs for the Collaborative Center for Applied Fish Science estimated to be \$1,740,425 from the FY02 BPA unallocated placeholder.**

ITEM 4: Middle and Upper Snake Provinces Project Review

The Middle and Upper Snake Provinces Budget Work Group has completed its initial review of projects and is forwarding their recommendations to AFC for review. Two projects require AFC review; Project Number 33013 and Project Number 32016.

Project Number 32016 – The project sponsor presented a reduced budget that totaled \$49,000 for FY 2003. Any additional funding would be considered in the within year process. Under the reduced budget, this project should be changed to a High Priority.

Project Number 33013 – This project should be considered in the Mainstem or Innovative project categories. No modifications were made to this project review or recommendation.

ACTION: The AFC recommended modifying the Middle and Upper Snake Province project recommendations by changing Project Number 32016 to the High Priority category and adopting the reduced budget of \$49,000. The AFC will forward this recommendation to MMG for approval.

ITEM 5: Columbia Cascade Province Project Review

The Columbia Cascade Province Budget Work Group has forwarded their recommendations to AFC for review. Tom Iverson provided an overview of the reviews and suggested issues that might need to be addressed for this group of projects. The Columbia Cascade Province Budget Work Group provided a tiered set of High Priority Projects that fit the ongoing projects within the budget allocated by the NWPPC. Additional new start projects were sorted into two tiers for funding.

The AFC discussed each project, inserting NMFS and USFWS language if the projects addressed the 2000 FCRPS Biological Opinion(s).

ACTION: The AFC approved the recommendations as written by the Columbia Cascade Province Budget Work Group with some additional language for ESA consistency. The AFC will forward the recommendations to MMG for approval.

ITEM 6: Lower Columbia and Columbia River Estuary Provinces Project Review

The Lower Columbia and Columbia Estuary Provinces Budget Work Group has completed its initial review of projects and has forwarded their recommendations to AFC for review. Tom Iverson provided an overview of the reviews and suggested issues that might need to be addressed for this group of projects.

The AFC discussed each project, inserting NMFS and USFWS language if the projects addressed the 2000 FCRPS Biological Opinion(s). The group discussed prioritizing projects similar to the Columbia Cascade Province Budget Work Group in Tiers. However there was not agreement within the

committee to proceed. There was agreement that prior to funding the suite of Chum salmon projects, better coordination and prioritization within that group of projects should occur.

Project Number 30003 – The project sponsor presented a response to questions that were raised during the province budget work group review. The AFC agreed that the sponsor had adequately addressed the concerns and recommended changing the budget category for this project.

Project Number 31016 – ODFW presented a request to raise this project to HP?. The project is presented as an interim, short-term solution for the Calapooia River. The question about water banking called for in the Biological Opinion RPA, identified by the province budget work group, will not be defined in adequate time to begin addressing this problem. The AFC agreed to modify the recommendation based on this being a short-term, time sensitive solution.

ACTION: The AFC approved the recommendations as written by the Lower Columbia and Estuary Provinces Budget Work Group with some additional language for ESA consistency. The AFC also recommended changing the budget category for Project Number 31016 from RA to HP?, and Project Number 30003 from RA to HP. The AFC will forward the recommendations to MMG for approval.

ITEM 7: Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for a conference call from 9 am to Noon on May 15, 2002 in Portland, Oregon. Agenda items will include review of a funding proposal for Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans and discussion of the within year funding process. Please submit additional agenda items to Tom Iverson.