



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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TO: Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee (AFAC)
FROM: Doug Taki, Chair
SUBJECT: 1/24/07 Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee Meeting Draft Agenda Revised

Coordinating and promoting effective protection and restoration of fish, wildlife, and their habitat in the Columbia River Basin.

The Authority is comprised of the following tribes and government agencies:

Burns Paiute Tribe

Coeur d'Alene Tribe

Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation

Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

Idaho Department of Fish and Game

Kootenai Tribe of Idaho

Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks

National Marine Fisheries Service

Nez Perce Tribe

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall

Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of Duck Valley

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Coordinating Agencies

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 24, 2007

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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CBFWA – Portland, Oregon

Note change: Teleconference (503) 229- 0449 Id: 766109

**ATTEND IN PERSON IF POSSIBLE!
LUNCH PROVIDED!
Please RSVP the CBFWA staff.**

Draft Agenda – Version 2

All meeting support material is posted on the AFAC webpage at:

<http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=AFAC&meeting=next>

ITEM 1: Program Amendments

It is expected that the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council) will open the Fish and Wildlife Program for amendments by the end of 2007. The amendment process is expected to take about a year to complete.

CBFWA staff has prepared a summary of the amendment process which is posted for review at :

<http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=MAG&meeting=all>

The summary includes an “Outline of Program Amendment Recommendations” and a “CBFWA work requirements/schedule”.

At its December meeting, the Members Advisory Group (MAG) directed the technical committees to review the outline, confirm what works and what doesn't, add more detail, and report back at the January 25, 2007 MAG meeting. The more detailed outline will be presented at the February Members meeting in Boise.

The AFAC should also review, comment on, and provide more detail for the proposed work requirements/schedule.

ITEM 2: StreamNet Priorities

The Council has recommended “interim” funding for StreamNet pending review of data priorities.

The StreamNet Steering Committee briefed the Council in December on the status of StreamNet's revised FY 2007-09 SOW. Four work plan tasks reflect discussion and guidance from a data workshop held in September:

- (1) Improve data coverage and service (especially tribes and natural resource agencies);
- (2) Improve data timeliness;
- (3) Assess data/services to support future subbasin planning, the current set of draft core and/or high level indicators, or other regional monitoring and evaluation programs;
- (4) Acquire population-scale fish abundance indicators

A summary of the StreamNet Work Plan Briefing FY 07-09 is posted for review at:

<http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=MAG&meeting=all>

At least one CBFWA member has expressed concerns that work plan priorities are not in agreement with their priorities.

At its December meeting, the MAG assigned the technical committees to identify long-term data management needs and to provide feedback at the January 25, 2007 MAG meeting. This will help formulate a CBFWA action encouraging the Council to make a final funding recommendation.

ITEM 3: In-Lieu Analysis

The Power Act includes language stating that where entities other than the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) have responsibility, BPA funding shall be in addition to, rather than in lieu of, funding by the other entity. In letters to the Council dated August 3, 2006 and October 6, 2006, BPA gave preliminary scores to all new and ongoing proposals relative to in lieu funding concerns. Scores ranged from 1 to 3. A “1” indicated no in lieu concerns, a “2” indicated possible concerns, and a “3” indicated concerns. The “2” rating was further subdivided into 2.1 (cost share appears reasonable), 2.2 (cost share may be reasonable), and 2.3 (cost share appears unreasonable).

The BPA letters are posted on the CBFWA website for review. A summary prepared by CBFWA staff that includes (1) preliminary ratings by CBFWA member, (2) preliminary ratings by Province, and (3) a list of all Council-recommended projects given an in lieu score of 2.2, 2.3, or 3.0 is posted for review at:

<http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=MAG&meeting=all>

BPA hopes to finalize its ratings in January. The MAG has directed the technical committees to review the final BPA rankings and provide feedback at the January 25, 2007 MAG meeting. The MAG will further expect the technical committees to take the lead in formulating a response to the BPA ratings, primarily by providing evidence of cost-share remedies or incorrect scoring. The bulk of this work is expected to take place in February.

ITEM 4: 2007 Work Plan

The AFAC should develop a general work plan for 2007 to help provide guidance and to clarify expectations. Items already in the works include the agenda items listed here. Preparation for the amendment process will likely require work throughout the year. Other potential items include review of recovery plans and addressing remand issues/assignments. Additional ideas are welcome for this discussion.

ITEM 5: Other Updates and Schedule Next Meeting