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

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Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

DATE: July 13, 2009
TO: Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee (AFAC)
FROM: Lynn Hatcher, Chair, and Dave Ward CBFWA staff
SUBJECT: July 8, 2009 AFAC Teleconference Draft Action Notes

AFAC Teleconference
July 8, 2009
9:00 AM

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Portland, Oregon, CBFWA Office

Draft Action Notes

Attendees: Dave Ward (CBFWA), Ken MacDonald (CBFWA)
By Phone: Lynn Hatcher (NOAA), Tom Rien (ODFW), Phil Roger (CRITFC), Alan Byrne (IDFG), Steve Vigg (WDFW)

Time Allocation:	Objectives 1. Committee Participation	100%
	Objectives 2. Technical Review	0%
	Objectives 3. Presentation	0%

ITEM 1: Introductions

ITEM 2: Approval of Agenda

ACTION: The agenda was approved.

ITEM 3: Approve Action Notes from May 14, 2009 AFAC Teleconference

ACTION: Action Notes were reviewed and approved.

ITEM 4: Anadromous Fish RM&E Framework

Ken MacDonald provided an update on the status of the anadromous fish RM&E framework to be developed by fish and wildlife managers.

In the near term, five regional workshops are being planned over a period of about one month. Workshops should begin sometime in July. The first workshop will cover either the upper Columbia or the Snake. "Sideboards" to the workshops are being drafted by Bruce Crawford of NOAA, and will be reviewed by CBFWA's ad-hoc monitoring group. Sideboards will include areas of focus for the workshops, such as BiOp RPAs.

Personnel from the Comparative survival Study will develop a tagging needs table for SAR estimates, and will comment on the draft sideboards.

The longer-term goal is to develop a monitoring strategy that includes RFPs or project-changes needed to fill monitoring gaps. A regional policy-level workshop will be held in mid-September. The overall, final framework will include non-BPA responsibilities, but they will be identified as such.

There is no role in this process for the AFAC as a committee; however, individual AFAC members may be key players.

ITEM 5: Status of the Resource Report

Discussion: Dave Ward reminded AFAC members that the 2008 Status of the Resource Report (SOTR) will be printed soon, so any comments should be submitted as soon as possible. The website will be completely updated by early August, after which revisions can be incorporated at any time.

ITEM 6: Update on Lamprey Technical Work Group

Discussion: Dave Ward provided an update on current activities of the Columbia River Basin Lamprey Technical Work Group (LTWG). Specific tasks being undertaken by the Work Group include (1) development of a review paper on lamprey translocation, (2) resumption of work on an assignment to develop passage metrics and performance measures, and (3) planning of the bi-annual workshop.

The paper on translocation is a review paper, not a position paper, and includes involvement of tribes currently utilizing translocation. A draft of the paper will be available in mid to late fall 2009.

The LTWG realizes that development of specific passage standards is a daunting task, for which information is lacking. A subgroup determined, however, that a review of definitions, information needed, and information available would be a good preliminary product. A draft of this product will be available for review in fall as well.

The third lamprey workshop (previous workshops were held in 2004 and 2007) will be scheduled for sometime between mid October and mid November 2009. The focus of the workshop will be translocation.

ITEM 7: Selection of Next AFAC Chair and Vice-Chair

Lynn Hatcher's term as chair ends September 30. The AFAC currently has no Vice-Chair. Both positions should be filled prior to October 1, 2009. Dave Ward noted that because the last three chairs have included two tribal members and one federal member, the likely candidate for the next chair would be a state.

ITEM 8: Next Meeting Teleconference

No teleconference was scheduled at this time.