



April 13, 1999

TO: Resident Fish Managers (RFM)

FROM: Dave Statler, Chair *Trina for*

SUBJECT: Revised April 1, 1999 RFM Conference Call Draft Action Notes

**Attendees:** Robert Walker (NPPC), Jason Scott (KT), Keith Underwood (STI), Nancy Hoefs, and Dave Statler (NPT), Kelly Lillengreen (Cd'AT), Kirk Truscott (CTCR), John Hisata and Jim Uehara (WDFW), Vincent Pero (SPT), Tony Nigro and Dave Ward (ODFW), Bert Bowler (IDFG), Sue Ireland (KTI), Tom Giese, Frank Young and Trina Gerlack (CBFWA).

**Calendar:**

- Apr 6 ..... Postponed RFM Meeting, Spokane
- Apr 12 ..... DAIWP Budget Consent Mail Closes
- Apr 16 ..... CBFWA DAIWP Due to NPPC
- May 4-5 ..... CBFWA Members Meeting, Idaho
- May 10-11 ..... RFM Meeting/Field Trip, Usk
- Jun 1-2 ..... RFM Meeting/field trip, Bonners Ferry
- Jun 15 ..... ISRP Report due to NPPC
- Jul 6 ..... RFM Meeting, Kalispell
- Jul 13-14\* ..... CBFWA Members Meeting, Montana
- Aug 3-4 ..... RFM Meeting/field trip, Lewiston/Orofino
- Sept 7 ..... RFM Meeting, Spokane
- Sept 14-15 ..... CBFWA Members Meeting, Washington
- Oct 5 ..... RFM Meeting
- Nov 2 ..... RFM Meeting
- Dec 7 ..... RFM Meeting

\* = indicates potential conflict that needs attention

**ITEM 1: Review Results of the MSG Ad Hoc Budget Work Group**

**Information:** Dave reported that the Work Group met via conference call March 24 for preliminary discussions and will continue to meet to develop a spending strategy designed to use of all funds available, prior to the end of the MOA, for recommended projects.

**ITEM 2: Develop RFM FY 2000 Budget Proposal for Members Consensus**

Discussion: Tom Giese presented an update of his March 26, 1999 memo and described several alternative sets of budget assumptions for the manager's consideration. There was a concern over why the inflation/reserve account had been used only by the AFM in the past rather than dividing it according to the 15-15-70 allocation formula. Tony reported that he did not know the rationale for this decision but that this issue and other budget equity issues would be taken up soon after the DAIWP goes to the Council and that the best opportunity to attain equity among caucuses would be in the FY01 budget.

Action: The managers agreed to the following set of assumptions which provides funding for all Status 1 and ongoing "Status 2 with one no" projects:

Resident Fish Share (15%)	\$14,373,634
Anadromous ESA Add-back	\$2,000,000
FY99 unallocated funds	\$1,055,766
Interest of unobligated FY98	\$153,866
Contingency/Inflation Reserve	<u>\$344,277</u>
Total	\$17,927,534

**ITEM 3: Miscellaneous**

Discussion: The need for the scheduled April 6 meeting was discussed in light of the resolution of the FY00 budget funding issue just resolved and the pressing need to complete tasks associated with the DAIWP by the April 16 deadline.

Action: The group agreed to defer the April 6 meeting and requested an intercaucus meeting soon to begin discussions of budget equity issues for FY01.