



July 20, 1999

TO: Resident Fish Managers

FROM: Brian Marotz, Vice Chair *Tana An*

SUBJECT: July 16, 1999 RFM Draft Action Notes

Participants: Bert Bowler (IDFG); Guy Dodson (SPT); Lynn DuCharme (CSKT); Mike Fahler (USFWS); Dan Gonzales (BPT); Barry Hansen (CSKT); Nancy Hoefs (NPT); Stacy Horton (NPPC); Sue Ireland (KT); Joe Maroney (KTI); Brian Marotz (MDFW&P); Clint Muhlfeld (MDFW&P); Jason Scott (KTI); Dave Statler (NPT); Bill Towey (Consultant); Kirk Truscott (CTCR); Jim Uehara (WDFW); Keith Underwood (STI); Dave Ward (ODFW); Frank Young, Tom Iverson and Tana Klum (CBFWA)

Current Events

- July 23 Technical Responses to the ISRP due to Tom Iverson, CBFWA
- July 23 Programmatic comments on CBFWA draft response to the
 “Rolling Draft Decision Document due to Tom Iverson, CBFWA
- July 23 Multi-Year Funding Review due to Tana or Frank Young, CBFWA
- July 26 Technical Responses to ISRP distributed to RFM for Review
- July 29 Approve Technical Responses to the ISRP, RFM Conference Call
- July 30 APR Hatchery Performance Indicators Meeting @ CBFWA
- Aug 4 MSG Meeting, Conference Call
- Aug 11-12 CBFWA Members Meeting, Helena
- Aug 12 Strategic Planning Work Session, Helena
- Aug 20 Deliver final FY 2000 DAIWP to NPPC
- Sept 7 RFM Meeting, Spokane
- Oct 5 RFM Meeting
- Nov 2 RFM Meeting
- Dec 7 RFM Meeting

Agenda Changes

Selection of new Caucus Chair was moved from Item 7 to Item 1. These action notes reflect that change.

ITEM 1: Selection of New RFM Chair, Vice Chair

Discussion: Dave Statler, who was Vice Chair for one year, then Chair the past two consecutive years, turned in his gavel and asked for nominations to replace both positions.

Action: Brian Marotz was nominated to serve as Vice Chair without objection and accepted the position. Kelly Lillengreen was nominated to serve as Chair. Kelly was not present at this meeting, however, subsequent to the meeting, accepted the position pending approval by the Couer d' Alene Tribal Council. The term will run from July 1, 1999 through June 30, 1999. The question arose as to whether a consent mail was needed to approve these nominations. A consent mail is not required if a quorum is present. Attached is the Administrative Decision 97-1 of the CBFWA Charter outlining caucus structure and function.

Action: Bill Towey, consultant, recommended that the group provide Dave with a plaque. The RFM commended Dave for all of his efforts, and CBFWA staff will order a plaque.

ITEM 2: Review and Approve SRT Response to ISRP Comments

Discussion: Tom Iverson, CBFWA staff, stated that the purpose of the exercise is to prepare a response to the ISRP report in order to provide justification for CBFWA's funding recommendations for FY 2000. CBFWA staff is asking project sponsors to provide technical information necessary to respond to the ISRP's technical concerns raised in the project reviews.

Programmatic concerns would be addressed at the caucus and policy level in response to the Council's "Rolling Draft Decision Document." Tom Iverson handed out a draft response to the Decision Document authored by CBFWA staff. The schedule for deadlines on these products was also discussed (see page 1).

Tom Iverson also reported, from his experience facilitating the Sub-Regional Team meetings, that in some cases, there are legitimate project concerns between one CBFWA member and another. He added there is a need to identify the concerns and respond to the ISRP that CBFWA acknowledges the concern, and is working with project sponsors to rectify it.

Action: All ISRP project responses and modifications are due to Tom Iverson by July 23. They will be distributed back to the RFM on July 26 for discussion and approval on July 29. **Please read your responses and any other project responses you may be concerned with prior to the discussion on July 29.**

Action: Any missing issues or comments in the initial response to the Council's "Rolling Draft Decision Document" (John Shurts memo dated July 7, 1999) are due to Tom Iverson, Frank Young or Tana Klum by July 23. Items to address in the comments to CBFWA staff could include:

- Address the Council with the language of the Council's current Program.
- Council decisions regarding ongoing projects should not be based on the completion of a programmatic review. Funding should be provided until the completion of a programmatic review.
- Site visits should incorporate who, besides the ISRP?
- CBFWA redefine umbrella projects by promoting the subbasin approach as a format for definition.
- Review multi-year funding.
- Constructive review of the ISRP report.

Action: CBFWA staff will distribute the latest RFM multi-year funding criteria to the managers, as well as a list of multi-year projects recommended by the ISRP. RFM members were requested to provide definitions to terms in the multi-year criteria and define what supportive information and deliverables are needed to perform an adequate review of the projects identified by the ISRP for multi-year authorization. The RFM will review the ISRP recommended Tier 1 multi-year projects. RFM recommendations will be discussed during the conference call on July 29.

Action: Jason Scott (KTI), requested a reiteration that the final FY 2000 project recommendations be agreed to by consensus prior to submitting the Draft Annual Implementation Work Plan to the Council on August 20.

ITEM 3: Status of RFM Analyst Position Selection Process

Update: Jason Scott stated that there were eight candidates selected for interviewing on July 22. A final candidate for the position will be announced July 23. Upon accepting the position, it is hoped the new RFTA would be available to begin employment on or around mid-August. As Dave Statler's term as Chair had just ended, should he remain on the selection committee?

Action: Dave Statler will remain on the selection committee.

ITEM 4: Artificial Production Review (APR) Update (Performance Indicators)

Update: Jason Scott (KTI), and Kirk Truscott updated the managers and recommended a need for additional input for resident fish.

The APR report developed by the Council was originally scheduled to go before Congress in July, and has been delayed until October to accommodate what is being developed by the CBFWA ad hoc APR Workgroup. The Workgroup consists of CBFWA members and other interested parties.

Jason Scott made a motion to have the Brannen / Anders report included in the Council's APR report. Stacy Horton verified the Brannen / Anders report is included.

If you would like to be added to the distribution list, or have questions about the status of what is being developed, contact Tana Klum at CBFWA. The next meeting of the Workgroup is scheduled for July 30, 1999 at CBFWA.

ITEM 5: Work Groups and Rosters (Who's on First Doing What?)

Update: Dave Statler (NPT), had requested a roster of all CBFWA ad hoc work groups at the July 7 MSG meeting.

Several of the managers expressed the need for RFM to be proactive in volunteering and committing to participation in the workgroups. Some managers felt there was not enough lead-time between meeting announcements and reviewing material.

Action: CBFWA staff will do it's best to ensure lead-time is given for meetings. CBFWA staff will keep managers current with the roster developed from Dave's recommendation. Staff will expand the roster by e-mailing a request to all members asking that they alert CBFWA staff about workgroups outside of CBFWA that they participate in.

ITEM 6: Reports from the ad hoc Work Groups (all groups are facilitated by Tom Giese, CBFWA staff)

ITEM 6a: MOA Workgroup

Update: CBFWA staff reported that the ad hoc group had met several times and that a "Report Card" was being developed outlining CBFWA Member concerns in general, and more specifically, with regard to available funding for FY 2000, and potential issues for MOA II. A final draft

“Report Card” will be distributed to the Members for approval at their next meeting in Helena.

ITEM 6b: RM&E Workgroup

Update: This group met for the first time July 13, and although there is not an official update, the managers encouraged the RFM representative who volunteered to be available to participate in the group’s future meetings.

ITEM6c: Budget Equity / CBFWA Analyst Integration

Update: No update. This group will meet for the first time on July 23.

ITEM 7: Next Meeting

Action: The RFM agreed to cancel the August meeting.