



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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DATE: June 2, 2008
TO: Resident Fish Advisory Committee (RFAC)
FROM: Mike Faler (Chair)
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for the June 3, 2008, RFAC Meeting

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 Fish, Wildlife & 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

Resident Fish Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 3, 2008 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Pacific)

CBFWA Office, Portland, OR 97204

Teleconference (503) 229-0449 Id: 475233

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Revised Draft Agenda

ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda

ITEM 2: Review Resident Fish Specific Amendments Submitted by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) to the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NPCC)

During the NPCC solicitation for Program Amendments, the following resident fish specific amendments were submitted by the BPA that could affect the resident fish portion of the NPCC's Program:

- Direct resident fish managers to ensure that the regulations they promulgate and enforce do not impede regional efforts to mitigate and recover listed species.
- Before seeking additional resident fish assessments or major new habitat initiatives, the Program needs to account for the extent of past resident fish value from wildlife habitat and anadromous fish projects. The review should include any mitigation done to mitigate impacts from the FCRPS, whether BPA funded it or otherwise.
- Ascertain from the subbasin plans which ones document affects to resident fish from the FCRPS and consider the FCRPS a limiting factor. Address resident fish mitigation on an ecosystem basis. Question projects or measures calling for BPA funding in subbasins where the FCRPS did not affect resident fish and is not a limiting factor.

- If resource managers do not address the predation and competitive problems created by exotic resident fish, then the Program should consider those fish a substitute resource. If resource managers do not address those problems, then the Program could reasonably call upon hydroelectric project owners, managers, and regulators to make further efforts to provide native, indigenous resident fish substitution. Until resource managers opt for the latter choice, the appropriate circumstances for further resident fish enhancement activities diminish greatly.

The BPA recommended amendments can be viewed at:

<http://www.nwcouncil.org/fw/program/2008amend/recs.asp>.

Neil Ward and Mike Faler will lead the RFAC in a review of the proposed amendments. The CBFWA Members Advisory Group and Members anticipate a response from the RFAC.

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