



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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DATE: March 4, 2010
TO: Resident Fish Advisory Committee (RFAC)
FROM: Neil Ward, CBFWA staff
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for the March 11, 2010 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

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

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

Resident Fish Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, March 11, 2010 9:00am-3:00pm PST @ CBFWA Office Portland, Oregon

WebEx has been arranged for this meeting:
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- ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda**
- ITEM 2: Approve Action Notes from the February 18, 2010, RFAC Meeting**
- ITEM 3: Overview of the “Columbia River Basin Monitoring, Evaluation, Research, and Reporting Plan”**
- The NPCC is in the process of finalizing the *Draft Columbia River Basin Monitoring, Evaluation, Research, and Reporting Plan*. The Strategic Plan focuses on the policy level of the NPCC’s research, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting needs, and consists of the mission, expectations, and general guidance for RM&E and reporting implemented under the NPCC’s Fish and Wildlife Program. Nancy Leonard (NPCC) will provide an overview of the plan and answer any questions from the participants.
- ITEM 4: Mainstem/Systemwide Categorical Review: Columbia and Snake River White Sturgeon Update**

During the February 18, 2010 RFAC Meeting, participants directed Neil Ward and Christine Mallette to form an ad hoc white sturgeon workgroup to work on the RFAC’s white sturgeon deliverable described in the recently approved CBFWA Work Plan. Neil and Christine will provide the NPCC’s updated timeline for its Mainstem/Systemwide RM&E Categorical Review as well as an update regarding the ad hoc white sturgeon workgroup’s progress. Included in the presentation will be the draft process and sideboards for convening workshops with the goal of developing monitoring frameworks and a means of transferring data so that information is readily available for inclusion in the Status of the Resources Project. Also, Neil and Christine will provide the

participants with the draft templates that may be used by the ad hoc white sturgeon workgroup to collect monitoring information and develop project justifications.

ITEM 5: Resident Fish Losses: Development of Methodology to Assess Operational Losses

The RFAC will continue to discuss an appropriate methodology for assessing resident fish losses resulting from hydrosystem operations. In addition, participants will discuss the metrics and ranges that the RFAC directed Neil Ward to develop relative to the operation tables that Sheri Sears provided during the February 18, 2010, RFAC Meeting.

ITEM 6: Next Meeting

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