



September 6, 2000

TO: Members Management Group

FROM: Brian Allee *Bja*

SUBJECT: Draft 8/28/00 Emergency MMG Meeting Action Notes

**If there are no objections within five days, these actions will be considered final.**

**MEMBERS MANAGEMENT GROUP  
EMERGENCY MEETING/CONFERENCE CALL  
August 28, 2000  
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
CBFWA Office, Portland, Oregon**

**DRAFT ACTION NOTES**

Attendees: Robert Matt and Ronald L. Peters; CdAT; Keith Underwood, STI; John Palensky, NMFS; Maureen Smith and Fred Olney, USFWS; Phil Roger and Paul Lumley, CRITFC; Steve Judd and Joe Peone, CTCR; Susan Barnes, ODFW; Theodora Strong, YIN; Brian Allee, Tom Iverson, Kathie Titzler, Frank Young, Neil Ward, Tom Giese, and Jann Eckman, CBFWA/F

By Phone: Bert Bowler and Michele Beucler, IDFG; Bill Tweitt, WDFW; Lynn Hatcher, YIN; Dave Statler, NPT; Chad Colter, SBT; Dean Osterman, KT; Sue Ireland, KTI

Obj. 2 = 67%; Obj. 5= 33%

**ITEM 1: CBFWA Comments to the NWPPC Draft Program**

Discussion: The question of whether CBFWA wanted to develop collective comments to the NWPPC draft Program or not was discussed at length. Some MMG members felt it would be beneficial and others were concerned whether we could get the consensus support of collective comments. MMG felt that there were at least five or six different areas where the CBFWA could go

on record with comments to the draft Program. Fred advised the MMG that the comments should be short and to the point.

**ACTION:** The MMG agreed to proceed with collective comments. The Program comments would be:

- Common issues and simple
- Brief and to the point
- Send a strong message that the Fish and Wildlife Managers must receive deference
- Articulate the role of the Fish and Wildlife Managers

The MMG will submit bulleted ideas for comments on the Draft Fish & Wildlife Program to Tom Giese by Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. Tom Giese will compile the list and present it at the 9/7/00 MMG meeting. The MMG will discuss comment ideas, choose those that have consensus, and set up a work group to develop consensus comments. Comments on the NWPPC draft Fish and Wildlife Program are due to the NWPPC on 9/22/00.

**ITEM 2: The Process for the Draft DAIWP for FY 2001**

**Discussion:** Tom Iverson briefly reviewed the document that was sent out to the MMG outlining the process. Iverson indicated that the idea is to put together a three-year balanced budget. For 2001 the budget is \$127M, for 2002 the budget would be increased by 20%, which accounts for a 3-4% increase over the six years the MOA has been in effect, and for 2003 the budget would be increased by just 3%. The budget would be balanced on a provincial level. Several MMG members expressed concern about putting an artificial “cap” on the funds, in 2001 balance the budget, but for 2002 and beyond, leave open.

Some concerns were expressed about the review process and what the role for the committees would be in the process. There was also concern expressed about reviewing the projects within a subbasin versus reviewing the projects within the province and felt that all the co-managers should go to every review, so concurrent sessions should not be scheduled. Other concerns revolved around the budget, the budget assumptions used, and if there is a cap or not.

**ACTION:** The MMG made the following recommendations to the process:

- Active committee involvement in the technical review, with common criteria, applied consistently;
- Voluntary on-site review
- Evaluate ISRP findings within committee
- No concurrent review meetings

Two subcommittees were set up. The first subcommittee to work on revising the project review process and the second to work on the budget allocation process.

The project review process subcommittee consisting of Lynn Hatcher, Keith Underwood, Robert Matt, Dave Statler, Fred Olney, and facilitated by Tom Iverson will meet at noon on 8/29/00 at CBFWA. The subcommittee will work on revising the project review process, which will be sent out for MMG review for discussion at the 9/7/00 MMG meeting.

The budget allocation process subcommittee consisting of Keith Underwood, Robert Matt, Fred Olney, Phil Roger, Steve Judd, and facilitated by Tom Giese will meet by conference call on 9/5/00 from 1:-- to 4:00 p.m. Issues for the conference call will be:

- Past predicts the future?
- Other alternatives to bring to the MMG for discussion on 9/7/00