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DATE: October 22, 2002  
TO: Members Management Group (MMG)  
FROM: Tom Iverson *Drina for*  
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for October 29, 2002 MMG Meeting

**Members Management Group Meeting  
Tuesday October 29, 2002  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**@  
CBFWA Office, Portland Oregon**

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Draft Agenda

**ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda**

**ITEM 2: FY 2003 Start of Year Budget Process - Tom Giese, CBFWA**

The Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority (CBFWA), Northwest Power Planning Council (NWPPC), and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) staffs have been working together to develop a FY 2003 Start-of-Year budget for the Fish and Wildlife Program. Tom Giese will provide an update.

**ITEM 3: Supplementary Actions for FY 2002 - Dave Statler, NPT**

There is a concern regarding the effects of BPA's arbitrary budget reductions on pending project reviews. Several project sponsors have identified FY 2002 budgets that were funded at levels less than that recommended through the NWPPC's Rolling Province Review. The COTR's are delivering the BPA cost cutting messages. The BPA COTRs are meeting with Alex Smith on November 15-16, 2002, to participate in a BPA policies and operations workshop. The CBFWA should survey membership and provide recommendations to the BPA.

**ITEM 4: Draft Letter to Steve Wright, BPA and Larry Cassidy, NWPPC  
Recommending Allocation of the FY 2002 Uncommitted Funds - Tom Giese  
& Tom Iverson, CBFWA**

The draft letter outlines what it is believed the work group agreed should be the CBFWA recommendation for allocating the \$14.5 million in FY 2002 uncommitted funds. The MMG will review and possibly approve the letter for consent mail. *The draft letter will be sent to the MMG by 10/24/02.*

**ITEM 5: Regional Implementation Workshops - Tom Giese**

Discuss ideas for workshops involving the NWPPC, BPA and CBFWA to improve the implementation of the Fish and Wildlife Program. Volunteers will be sought to assist in planning and organizing the workshops. *On 10/21/02 the ad hoc work group ideas for workshops were sent to the MMG for review.*

**ITEM 6: Within-Year Budget Modifications – Tom Iverson, CBFWA**

Although the following projects have been through the consent mail process, they were deferred for approval until completion of the Unallocated Placeholder strategy. *If the previously sent supporting material for these projects is needed, please contact the CBFWA office.*

- Project 199601100 – *“Walla Walla Juvenile and Adult Passage Improvements.”* The CTUIR is requesting an additional \$921,585 for FY 2003 for completion of the Milton Ditch construction project. The Colville Tribe objected during the consent mail process due to the lack of an overall strategy for recommending funds from the unallocated placeholder.
- Project 200200100 – *“Ellisforde (Bonaparte) Spring Chinook Acclimation Site.”* The Colville Tribe is requesting support for approximately \$201,752 to modify a sedimentation pond near Tonasket, WA for use as an acclimation pond for spring Chinook in 2002. This request was approved by the MMG, but was deferred for consent mail until completion of the unallocated placeholder strategy.
- Project 19900800 - *"Columbia Basin PIT Tag Information System"* The Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission has requested a \$672,475 increase for this project due to the growth in the number of interrogation sites, number of coils, and types of interrogation data that are stressing the core infrastructure of the PTAGIS project. This request was objected to by the Kalispel and Spokane Tribes and resolved by the MMG but deferred until completion of the unallocated placeholder strategy.

**ITEM 7: Next Meeting and Date**

The next MMG meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2002, in Portland, OR.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tom Iverson at (503) 229-0191 or email at [tiverson@cbfwa.org](mailto:tiverson@cbfwa.org).