



August 28, 2003

TO: Members Management Group (MMG)
FROM: Rod Sando, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for the 9/4/03 MMG Meeting

**MEMBERS MANAGEMENT GROUP
MEETING/CONFERENCE CALL**

Thursday, Sept. 4, 2003

1:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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Draft Agenda

ITEM 1:

1:00-1:45pm

Contract Management Issues – Tom Iverson, CBFWA

- Update on draft proposal for Fish and Wildlife Program budget implementation rules and process for the remainder of the rate case.
- Update on FY 2004 Start of Year Budget development and approval by Council.
- Update on draft letter to the Council and BPA to clarify policy and allocation of borrowing authority for Capital projects.
- Update on Business Practices Committee's "White Paper".
- Update on Draft BPA Policy Manual for its Fish and Wildlife Program – comment deadline extended to September 12, 2003.

ITEM 2:

1:45-2:00pm

Colville Confederated Tribes Emergency Request – Neil Ward, CBFWA

During the July 29-31, 2003 RFC meeting, the Colville Confederated Tribes (CCT) submitted a request for \$150,000 to purchase a 2,500-gallon fish distribution unit to replace their existing equipment (request letter attached). Participants briefly discussed the request and agreed that due to the lack of an unallocated placeholder and a formal request from the Northwest Power & Conservation Council for a review, the RFC should limit its review to the technical merits of the request (i.e., the RFC would not provide a funding recommendation).

- Review and approve attached request

ITEM 3: CBFWA Revised FY 2004-2006 Proposal – Rod Sando, CBFWA

2:00-2:30pm

The current funding recommendation for the CBFWA FY 2004-2006 proposal remains at \$1,245,700. This recommendation only funds CBFWA staff and facilities and does not include the \$500,000 funding for members participation. This revised proposal (approved by the Members by consent mail) in the amount of \$1,745,700, includes the adjusted activities and members funding, will be presented to the Council at their 9/8-11/03 meeting. The MMG needs to determine which members will be presenting the proposal to the Council.

ITEM 4: Spill/Fish Passage Evaluation Plans – Michele DeHart, FPC; Neil Ward and Rod Sando, CBFWA

2:30-3:00pm

- Update on FPAC's progress on developing a comprehensive study design for the evaluation of spill for fish passage to recommend to the Council.
- Update on the MMG appointed subcommittee to meet with the Action Agencies to develop questions to guide and frame process, collect points of contact, and create a letter on how to evaluate a spill plan.
- Update from the RFC progress report on developing questions, analyzing framework design for spill proposals and river operations for the Montana experiment on resident fish as listed by the Council amendment.
- Update from Rod Sando on how BPA calculates the cost of spill and the potential of holding a one day workshop on this issue.

Next Meeting

- Scheduled for Tuesday, September 30, 2003 at CBFWA Office, Portland, Oregon.