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DATE: October 22, 2008

TO: Members Advisory Group (MAG)

FROM: Brian Lipscomb, CBFWA

SUBJECT: Final Action Notes for the October 21, 2008 MAG Teleconference

MAG Teleconference Tuesday, October 21, 2008 CBFWA Office, Portland OR (via WebEx) 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. PDT

Support material are posted at http://www.cbfwa.org/committee_mag.cfm

Final Action Notes

Attendees: Brad Houslet, CTWS; Lawrence Schwabe, BPT; Laura Gephart, CRITFC; Lynn

DuCharme, CSKT; Gary James, CTUIR; Alan Byrne, IDFG; Joe Mentor, Mentor Law Group, PLLC; Jay Hesse, NPT; Carol Perugini, SPT; Rob Walton

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and Elizabeth Gaar, NOAA Fisheries

Phone/WebEx: Tom Rien, ODFW; Mark Bagdovitz, USFWS; and CBFWA staff: Jann

Eckman, Patricia Burgess, Tom Iverson, Ken MacDonald, Binh Quan, Neil

Ward, Dave Ward, Trina Gerlack

Time Allocation: Objective 1. Committee Participation 100%

Objective 2. Technical Review %
Objective 3. Presentation %

ITEM 1: Introductions and Approve Agenda

Action: The MAG approved the draft agenda as written.

ITEM 2: September 12, 2008 MAG Draft Action Notes

Action: The MAG approved the September 12, 2008 action notes as final.

ITEM 3: Northwest Power & Conservation Council (NPCC) Grants Comment

Period Extension

On October 2, 2008 CBFWA sent a letter from Chairman Peterman to Bill Booth and Greg Delwiche requesting a 30-day extension to accommodate comments and consultation on the NPCC's draft 2008 Fish and Wildlife

Program.

http://www.cbfwa.org/RegionalIssues/Correspondence/CBFWA/ConsultFollow UpfromLPeterman(CBFWA)toMessrsBoothDelwiche2008 1002Final.pdf.

The NPCC considered this request on October 16, 2008, at their meeting in Missoula, Montana and granted the request to extend the comment period to

December 1, 2008.

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Update:

Tom Iverson confirmed that the NPCC's granted a 30 day extension to comment on its draft amendments to its Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program. Comments are due December 1, 2008. See details at http://www.nwcouncil.org/library/2008/2008-11.htm

ITEM 4:

NOAA Fisheries Data Dictionary and Monitoring Guidance

NOAA has distributed the draft Data Dictionary:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008 1021/DataDictionary ReadMe(100908) MAG2008 1021.doc and draft Monitoring Guidance: http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008_1021/RME_Guidance Partial(100908) MAG2008 1021.doc and ask that the documents be reviewed by the Members of CBFWA. The Members may be asked to consider the documents for consensus adoption within the framework of an overall monitoring and reporting framework at a later date.

Discussion:

Rob Walton, NOAA, Fisheries provided the Salmon Population Status & Trends presentation.

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008_1021/CBFWA_MAG Task 2 Update SHORT(102008).ppt

Rob requested that CBFWA review the data dictionary and monitoring guidance draft documents and provide comments to NOAA Fisheries by November 15, 2008. The MAG expressed concern regarding the comment period deadline. Rob stated that NOAA would accept comments after November 15, 2008 providing they are notified. NOAA Fisheries contacts Scott Rumsey, Chris Jordan, and Bruce Crawford are available to answer questions.

Action:

The MAG assigned the AFAC to work with non-AFAC members to review the draft data dictionary and monitoring guidance documents and report their findings back to the MAG on November 18, 2008 to be approved for distribution to NOAA shortly after that date.

ITEM 5:

CBFWA Amendment Recommendations and Comments

- Assessment of Current Program
- **Proposed Process**
- Appendix of Measures
- Elements of Long-Term Work Plans (LTWP) and Member Participation

Discussion:

Tom Iverson referenced the draft letter to Bill Booth, NPCC regarding CBFWA's comments on the draft amendments to the Program and the Anadromous Fish, Resident Fish, and Basinwide tables of measures below.

Draft CBFWA letter:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008 1021/DraftAmendCo mmentsLtrMAG2008 1021.doc

Anadromous Fish table:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008_1021/Appendix%20X %20Anadromous_MAG2008_1021.doc

Resident Fish table:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008_1021/Appendix%20x %20-%20resident%20fish%20example MAG2008 1021.doc

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Basinwide table:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008_1021/MainstemMeasuresDraftMAG2008_1021.doc

The MAG reviewed the draft amendment comment letter for content and format. The MAG members opted to provide comments on the letter to Tom Iverson by COB Thursday, 10/23/08. Tom will incorporate those comments and provide a new draft for Member review at their 10/27/08 teleconference. In regards to the format, the MAG felt a short introduction letter to the NPCC regarding CBFWA's comments on the draft amendments to the Program describing the Anadromous Fish, Resident Fish, and Basinwide tables of measures and including the details as attachments would be better. Staff will incorporate all comments and prepare a final draft for review at the November 18, 2008 MAG Meeting.

ITEM 6:

Follow-up from Consultation Meeting between CBFWA Agencies and Tribes, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), and Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NPCC))

Discussion:

The MAG discussed the value of scheduling a follow-up consultation meeting. The suggested meeting date timeframe is sometime after amendment comment submittal of December 1st but before December 18th. The MAG suggested the following agenda items: long-term work plans, measures, programmatic issues, and implementation.

Action:

The Members will consider the need for a follow-up meeting, identify a few optimal dates that will garner the best participation, and identify a tentative agenda for the meeting at the October 27th teleconference.

ITEM 7:

Winter Members' Meeting

Discussion:

According to the rotation sequence, the Winter Members Meeting is to be scheduled in Idaho. Tentative dates are Jan. 7&8 2009, Jan. 21&22, Feb. 4&5, or Feb. 18&19, 2009.

Action:

The MAG selected January 21 & 22, 2009 for the meeting dates to be held in Boise or Coeur d'Alene, Idaho with the caveat that it must be easy access for traveling. The Members will consider the dates and location at the Oct. 27 Members Teleconference.

Upcoming Meetings:

October Special Members Teleconference: Mon, Oct 27th (1-4pm)

Members November 5th Teleconference: Cancelled

MAG November Meeting (via WebEx): Tues, Nov 18th (9am-12pm)

Members December Teleconference: Wed, Dec 3rd (1-4pm) **Council November Meeting**, Coeur d'Alene, ID, Nov 18-20th

Council December Meeting, Portland OR, Dec 9-11th

Council Public Hearing Schedule:

Northwest Power and Conservation Council links: 2008-2009 Program

Amendments and NPCC Public Hearing Schedule

Deadline for Comments: Dec 1, 2008