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Coordinating and promoting effective protection and restoration of fish, wildlife, and their habitat in the Columbia River Basin.

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Coeur d'Alene 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 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

DATE: April 21, 2009
TO: Members Advisory Group
FROM: Brian Lipscomb, CBFWA
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for the April 21, 2009 MAG Teleconference

Members Advisory Group (MAG)
Tuesday, April 21, 2009
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. PDT Note Extended Meeting Time!
@ CBFWA Office Portland, OR
[MAG Webpage](#)

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Revised Draft Agenda

ITEM 1: Introductions and Approve Agenda
9:00 a.m.

Recommended Action: Approve draft agenda.

ITEM 2: March 17, 2009 MAG Draft Action Notes
9:15 a.m.

Recommended Action: Approve the March 17, 2009 draft action notes as final.

ITEM 3: Implementation of the Anadromous Fish Monitoring Design
9:20 a.m.

- Update on developments with the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council) and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)
- Review timeline, deliverables, and commitments

Recommended Action: Approve any changes and updates to the workplan and forward to the Members for action.

ITEM 4: Status of the Resource (SOTR) Update, Review, and Approval
10:00 a.m.

Recommended Action:

- Template approval
- Review and approve Top Ten list of additions for next year
- Review timeline, deliverables, and commitments

ITEM 5: Comments on NPCC High Level Indicators(HLI's)
11:00 a.m.

- On March 13th, the Council initiated a request for comments on their updated list of HLI's ([Council Request for Comments: HLI's & Descriptions](#)). Although CBFWA submitted comments in July 2008 ([CBFWA Agencies & Tribes Letter to Council: HLI Comments July 2008](#)), the MAG determined that CBFWA could provide additional comments as a result of the Program being finalized. The

MAG directed CBFWA staff to develop HLI comments to the Council for Members review and approval on April 1st for timely submission to the Council by the April 24th deadline.

- On or about March 31st, the Council extended the deadline for comments to May 18th. Prior to learning of the extension, CBFWA staff prepared a draft comment letter for Members review and approval on April 1st: [Draft Letter from CBFWA to the Council RE: Comments on Council's HLI's](#). However, as a result of the comment deadline extension, the HLI comments review was deferred and scheduled for full MAG review at this MAG meeting.

Recommended Action: Approve the HLI comment letter for Members' review and action at the May 6th Members teleconference.

ITEM 6: **Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council) Amendment Program Review**
11:15 a.m.

The Resident Fish Advisory Committee (RFAC), Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee (AFAC), and Wildlife Advisory Committee (WAC) were directed to review the amended Program. All the committees have not completed the review but will advise of their progress to date.

- Review timeline for appeal

ITEM 7: **Implementation of the Council's amended Program**
11:30 a.m.

- Review coordinated deliverables for implementation of the Amended Fish and Wildlife Program
 - AFAC
 - The Members assigned MAG to work with the AFAC to 1) identify how the 5 million fish goal was established, 2) summarize how current population objectives have been established, and 3) develop consistent criteria for establishing population goals (broad sense recovery that account for viability of ESA listed fish).
 - The MAG reviewed the initial FSOC assignment results at the February MAG meeting and requested that the FSOC work toward a more comprehensive and strategic approach for pursuing funds by the Members, and for presentation to the Council (i.e., capture the Program portion, understand how FRIMA and the state portion plays into it).
 - RFAC
 - Wildlife
- Develop timeline and commitments needed for development of deliverables.

12:30-1:00 p.m. LUNCH

ITEM 8: **Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council) Categorical/Geographical Review Process**
1:00 p.m.

- Review Council timeline and discuss coordinated participation in categorical and geographical reviews.

ITEM 9: **Coordination with Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC) Regarding Anticipated Categorical Review of Projects Housed Under PSMFC that are Integral to the Members Needs**
1:30 p.m.

- There are approximately 40M of projects under PSMFC that focus on the collection and warehousing of data, some of which CBFWA accesses for the Status of the Resource (SOTR) report. The PIT Tag Steering Committee (PTSC)

appears to be the only formal mechanism that CBFWA Members have to work with Randy Fisher, Executive Director of PSMFC and responsible party for those contracts.

- Over the next year, implementation of an amended Program and the BiOp will most likely prompt an extensive review of all the projects that reside at PSMFC. On April 1st, the Members discussed inviting Randy Fisher to the May teleconference and requested that CBFWA staff work with the MAG to frame a conversation with PSMFC and Randy Fisher relative to the categorical review.

Recommended Action: Develop and recommend strategy, including deliverables, for coordinating review and any resulting adjustments in PSMFC projects for the Members to consider discussing with PSMFC.

ITEM 10: **FY 09 Budgets**
2:00 p.m.

Recommended Action: Review and approve budget for FY 09 relative to work plan.

ITEM 11: **Overall Fish and Wildlife Coordination Policy relative to CBFWA Budget for FY 2009 and beyond.**
2:15 p.m.

- Review overall timeline of deliverables and commitments required to provide them.
- Review current policy direction being pursued by BPA relative to coordination funding.
- Review Council decision history regarding coordination.
- Review potential policy positions for Members' consideration and venues to carry out these positions including the upcoming face-to-face Members' meeting.

Recommended Action: Recommend policy statement(s) clarifying the fish and wildlife agencies and Tribes position relative to coordinating the implementation of the amended Fish and Wildlife Program and current Biological Opinions.

ITEM 12: **2009 MAG Meeting Schedule and Logistics Update**
3:00 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings:

Members May Meeting, Wed, May 6, 2009, 1-4pm (via WebEx)

MAG May Meeting, Tues, May 19, 2009, 9am-12pm (via WebEx)

Council May Meeting, May 12-14, 2009, Walla Walla, WA

Members Face to Face Meeting: discuss dates, locations, and potential agenda.