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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fish and Wildlife Committee Members

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SUBJECT: Subbasin Dashboards

Council staff has been crafting a concept for an interactive, web-based tool, which we call dashboards, for each subbasin. These dashboards will potentially assist in the geographic project review, future subbasin plan updates, and the implementation of the MERR. The dashboards would essentially be individual websites for each subbasin, containing extracted key elements from the subbasin plans and specific information for each subbasin such as links to other management plans, local maps, and BiOp information. As a pilot Council staff prepared a dashboard for the Clearwater Subbasin. Managers in the Clearwater Subbasin were contacted for their feedback and suggestions, most of which have been incorporated into the Clearwater Subbasin Dashboard. Council staff will continue to collaborate with those working in each subbasin to ensure the dashboards are useful, up to date, and personalized for each area. At the May Fish and Wildlife Committee Meeting staff will provide a briefing on the progress so far, as well as a demo of the Clearwater Dashboard. Staff seeks Committee support for this concept. With the Committee's concurrence staff will move forward with the development of dashboards for additional subbasins on a prioritized basis. From time to time staff will update the Committee on progress and will seek committee members' guidance on priorities.