



March 21, 2002

TO: Wildlife Committee

FROM: Carl Scheeler

SUBJECT: Draft Action Notes for the March 20, 2002 Wildlife Committee Meeting in Spokane

**If there are no objections within five days, these action notes will be considered final.**

**Wildlife Committee Meeting  
March 20, 2002  
Spokane, WA**

Draft Action Notes

**Attendees:** Attendees: B.J. Kieffer (STOI); Anders Mikkelsen (CADT); Paul Ashley (WDFW); Robert Walker (NWPPC); Matt Berger and Jim Smith (CCT); Carl Scheeler (CTUIR); Loren A. Kronemann and Angela Sondenaa (NPT); Susan Barnes (ODFW); Maureen Smith (USFWS); Tracy Hames (YIN); Kelly Singer, Doug Wood (STOI); Ray Entz (KT) and Frank Young (CBFWA).

**By Phone:** Greg Sieglitz (ODFW); Scott Soultz (KTOI); and Tom Iverson (CBFWA).

<b>Time Allocation:</b>	Objective 1. FY 2003 Renewal Process	20%
	Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries	--%
	Objective 3. FY 2002 Adjustments	--%

**ITEM 1: Wildlife Crediting**

**DISCUSSION:** The WC reviewed the Draft Crediting Power Point Presentation for the April 4 presentation to the Fish and Wildlife Committee developed by the Crediting Subcommittee and suggested modifications to make the presentation more effective. WC members are encouraged to meet informally with their Council members to educate them on the crediting issue.

**ITEM 2: Review and Discussion of the WDFW Pygmy Rabbit Proposal**

DISCUSSION: Paul Ashley requested that this item be removed from the agenda since BPA is opposed to funding it.

**ITEM 3: Update from R M & E Subcommittee**

DISCUSSION: Frank stated that example M & E documents send by Anders are posted on the CBFWA website for everyone to use as reference. CBFWA plans to provide all materials for future meetings on a WC Meeting Webpage dedicated to that meeting only. Ray stated that ISRP has recommended that the Albeni Falls R, M & E Plan serve as a model for a regional plan. Ray indicated that he will no longer serve as the Chair of the R, M & E Subcommittee and that it would be up to others to take the lead in modifying the Albeni Falls document to make it applicable to regional needs.

ACTION: Please contact Carl Scheeler if you are willing to assume the Chair of the R, M & E Subcommittee and help guide the development of a Regional R, M & E Plan.

**ITEM 4: Review of BPA Crediting Letter**

DISCUSSION: The WC reviewed the March 13, 2002 BPA letter stating BPA's position on implementing the 2:1 ratio on wildlife crediting in the Council's 2000 Fish and Wildlife Program. Some members are working with their attorneys to assist them in developing a response to this letter.

ACTION: The WC agreed to work together to develop a technical response to the supporting document to this letter and will share drafts with other agencies.

**ITEM 5: Update on Acquisition Success**

DISCUSSION: Some WC members reported continuing contracting problems for their acquisition agreements, but Greg Sieglitz reported that Willamette Valley acquisitions are moving forward. He speculated that the lack of crediting issues may be the reason.

**Time and Location of Next Meeting**

**ITEM 6:** The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. April 18, 2002 at CBFWA and will focus primarily on crediting.