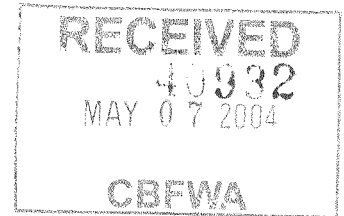




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ENVIRONMENT, FISH AND WILDLIFE

May 4, 2004

In reply refer to: KEWB-4

Mr. Doug Marker  
Director  
Fish and Wildlife Division  
Northwest Power and Conservation Council  
851 SW Sixth Ave., Suite 1100  
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Mr. Marker:

This letter is to notify you of the following:

1. Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA's) decision to fund all qualifying rescheduling requests as recommended by the Council on Feb 27, 2004.
2. BPA's decision to fund a within year budget increase request for CBFWA's annual work plan as recommended by the Council on February 27, 2004.
3. BPA's request for the Council's recommendation on funding selected critical, within-year (FY04) budget increase requests.

A recently completed internal budget analysis resulted in a BPA decision to fund all qualifying rescheduling requests received as of April 20, 2004. Enclosure 1 lists all funded rescheduling requests.

Additionally, the analysis identified funds available to proceed with a few of the most critical, within-year budget increase requests. After BPA internal review and consultation with the Budget Oversight Group (BOG), the within year requests determined most critical are listed at enclosure 2. BPA will make a decision as to whether to proceed with contracting for these projects upon receipt of a Council recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott R. Hampton".

Scott R. Hampton, Manager  
EF&W Business Operations Support

Enclosure

FY04 FUNDED RESCHEDULE REQUESTS

5/4/2004

Project Number	Project Manager	Contractor/ Sponsor	Project Name	Reschedule Request
1991-078-00	Wilcox	ODFW	Burlington Bottoms Management Plan	\$ 29,500
1993-035-01	Keen	Idaho SWCS	Red River Restoration	\$ -
2000-001-00	Wilcox	Colville Tribe	Improvements of Anadromous Fish Habitat and Passage in Omak Creek	\$ 9,000
1994-018-07	Branum	Pomeroy SWCD	Habitat For Fall Chinook, Steelhead & Bull Trout	\$ 11,000
1998-033-00	Wilcox	YN	Restore Upper Toppenish Creek Watershed	\$ 32,176
2000-016-00	Craig	USFWS	Protect & Enhance Tualatin River NWR Additions	\$ 50,000
1997-056-00	Byrnes	YN	Klickitat Watershed Enhancement Project	\$ 194,490
1999-019-00	McClintock	Custer SWCD	Restore Salmon River Area	\$ 150,710
2002-074-00	Keen	NPT	Protect & Restore Crooked Fork	\$ 51,094
1996-077-03	Keen	NPT	Protect and Restore Bear to Fishing Creek	\$ -
1998-003-00	Craig	Spokane Tribe	Spokane Wildlife Mitigation O&M	\$ 9,000
2002-021-00	Piccininni	WDOE	Reduce Water Temp. in Teanaway	\$ 50,098
1998-020-00	Zelinsky	WDFW	Assess Fish Habitat in the Walla Walla Basin	\$ 4,500
1995-027-00	Craig	Spokane Tribe	Lake Roosevelt Sturgeon Recovery Project	\$ 30,070
2001-029-00	Baesler	WDFW	Ford Hatchery Improvement, O&M	\$ 52,000
1990-044-00	Watts	Coeur D'Alene Tribe	Implement Fisheries Enhancement on Couer d'Alene Reservation	\$ 53,200
1987-100-01	McCloud	Umatilla Tribe	Umatilla R. Anad. Fish Habitat Enhancement Project	\$ 14,000
1998-028-00	Swan	Jefferson Country SWCD	Trout Creek Watershed Improvement Project	\$ 75,272
2002-053-00	Ralston	WDFW	Assess Salmonids Asotin Cr. W.S	\$ 83,500
1990-018-00	Craig	Colville Tribe	RBT/Fish Passage	\$ 50,000
1987-100-02	McCloud	ODFW	Umatilla River Basin Fish Habitat Improvement	\$ 60,000
2001-011-00	Lofy	Umatilla Tribe	Habitat Diversity in Alluvial Rivers	\$ 9,374
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,018,984</b>

WITHIN-YEAR REQUESTS NEEDING A COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION FROM MAY MEETING

Project Number	Project Name	Project Manager	Contractor/ Sponsor	Reschedule Request	BiOp Critical?	Comment
2000-019-00	Tucannon R. Spring Chinook Captive Broodstock Program	Lofy	WDFW	\$ 24,955	Yes - 177	Amount has been confirmed. Can be completed by 30 Sep 2004. NOAA has been very clear that all listed fish trapped must be used in the Captive Rearing program; they are not allowed to "dispose" of listed fish. The current budget does not address the increased number of adults that must be spawned. If they do not get more funds, they will be forced to release captive fish to spawn naturally. On a cost per fish basis, even at this increased funding level, they are producing captive brood fish less expensively than any other project. Since the start of this project, it has been "ramping up", with increased numbers of fish between FY2002 and FY2003; this was not anticipated at the time the original outyear budgets were recommended by Council for FY2003 and FY2004. They tried to budget conservatively and assumed un-medicated feed (unlike most captive programs that assume medicated feed). If they do not get more funds they will be forced to release captive fish to spawn naturally.
2002-033-00	John Day Salmonid Recovery Monitoring Program	Beaty	Warm Springs Tribe	\$ 24,646	No	All work can be completed by Sept. 30, 2004.
2001-049-00	Safety Net Coordinator	Gislason	Steve Smith	\$ 22,029	Yes - 175	No budget for 04 since contractor did not submit 04 budget during summer provincial mini-review. Originally funded as an emergency. Linked up with projects in the Mountain Snake Province.
1989-062-01	CBFWA Annual Workplan	Moreland	CBFWA	\$ 187,502	No	This request has already been recommended by the Council.
1989-062-01	Regional HEP Team Funding	Moreland	CBFWA	\$ 80,000	No	\$80,000 represents estimate of budget needs from June through September 2004. The balance of the original request, i.e., \$150,920, would be used in FY05. This request assumes that BPA would contract with CBFWA; another option would have BPA doing the contracting directly for the field work.
2002-020-00	Huntsville Mill Fish Screen O&M	Lofy	WDFW	\$ 194,000	No	The project is complete; these are costs that had been capitalized incorrectly in FY03 and now must be expensed in FY04.
2002-011-00	Implement Floodplain Operational Loss Assessment, Protection, Mitigation and Rehabilitation	Craig	Kootenai Tribe of Idaho	\$ 67,096	No	The contractor submitted a rescheduling request for \$103,096. BPA agreed with the request but found that the budget associated with the tasks to be rescheduled was insufficient. This meant that the additional budget amount needed would have to be submitted as a Within-Year request. That amount is the \$67,096. All tasks to be rescheduled must be completed in FY04 in order for the project to get back on track.
1985-038-00	Colville Tribal Hatchery	Baesler	Colville Tribe	\$ 150,000	No	All hatchery production must be transported off station; this is an emergency request to replace a 15 year-old fish transport tank and truck that broke down with a new larger one.

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