




DATE: May 20, 2002  
 TO: Anadromous Fish Committee (AFC)  
 FROM: Gary James, chair   
 SUBJECT: DRAFT Action Notes for the May 15, 2002 AFC Meeting

**NOTE: The next AFC meeting has been changed from June 19, 2002 to June 20, 2002 at the CBFWA office in Portland.**

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

**AFC Meeting  
 May 15, 2002  
 Portland, Oregon**

Draft Action Notes

**Attendees:** Ron Boyce (ODFW), Joe Maroney (KT), Neil Ward and Tom Iverson (CBFWA)

**By Phone:** Gary James (CTUIR, chair), Tim Roth (USFWS), Bill Tweit (WDFW), and Dan Warren (NWPPC consultant)

<b>Time Allocation:</b>	Objective 1. FY 2003 Renewal Process	--%
	Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries	--%
	Objective 3. FY 2002 Adjustments	100%

**ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda**  
 No changes were suggested.

**ACTION:** The agenda was approved as written.

**ITEM 2: Within Year Budget Modification Process - Criteria**

Neil Ward and Joe Maroney discussed the inequity in the within-year budget modification process (Quarterly Review Process) between CBFWA committees (AFC, RFC, and WC). See

<http://www.cbfwa.org/files/province/budgetmods.htm> for a description of the current process. The current guidance suggests that budget modifications should only occur under special circumstances or exceptional situations, but these situations needed further clarification and definition. The out-year implications also need to be considered when reviewing requests. A sub-committee has been formed to define the criteria for making within-year budget modifications and those criteria should be available for the next round of the Quarterly Review Process.

The sub-committee for developing uniform criteria for the within-year budget modification process will meet in conjunction with the CBFWA Members meeting in Spokane, WA at 9:00 AM on May 21, 2002 at the Airport Ramada Inn. All interested parties are welcome to attend.

**ACTION:** No action was taken on this agenda item.

**ITEM 3: Review Request for Funding for Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans**

The NWPPC staff has requested a within-year budget modification for Project Number 200204700, *Artificial Production Review and Evaluation*. This project funds the Artificial Production Review Evaluation (APRE) currently being executed by the NWPPC. The request is for \$462,000 to complete draft Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans (HGMP's) for all anadromous artificial production programs in the Columbia River Basin. Within this project an effort is being undertaken to consolidate the NWPPC and NMFS processes for reviewing hatcheries. The 2000 FCRPS Biological Opinion RPA 169 calls for approved HGMP's by the Fall of 2003. This proposal is for the data collection phase to develop draft HGMP's by the Fall of 2002. These draft documents will feed into the APRE, NWPPC Subbasin Planning and NMFS Technical Recovery Team efforts, which will result in regionally coordinated HGMP's by the Fall of 2003.

The APRE project has adequate funds to execute this additional task in the short term, however, the funds for this project will run out in December and approval of additional funds must be completed by then. The next round of the Quarterly Review Process will be initiated on June 6, 2002 with final decisions by the NWPPC scheduled for September. It was determined that this project was not in an urgent situation for a decision and therefore review will occur through the normal Quarterly Review Process.

**ACTION:** Decision on this request was deferred to the scheduled Quarterly Review Process that begins on June 6, 2002.

**ITEM 4: Within-Year Budget Modification Request: Birch Creek Passage Project**

ODFW is requesting funding for Project Number 26031, Improve Upstream Fish Passage in the Birch Creek Watershed. This project was an Action Plan project that the ISRP deferred to the Columbia Plateau Province for review. The CBFWA rating was High Priority and the final ISRP rating was Fundable. This project was included in the final recommendation for funding by the NWPPC in the Action Plan category. This project was also submitted in the Columbia Plateau Province as Project Number 25081 where it again received a High Priority ranking from CBFWA and a Fundable rating from the ISRP.

It was determined that this project was not in an urgent situation for a decision and therefore review will occur through the normal Quarterly Review Process.

**ACTION:** Decision on this request was deferred to the scheduled Quarterly Review Process that begins on June 6, 2002.

**ITEM 5: Within-Year Budget Modification Request: Schlee Ranch Acquisition**

WDFW is requesting funding for Project Number 27025, *Acquire South Fork Asotin Creek Property*. This project was proposed in the Blue Mountain Province and received a CBFWA High Priority ranking and an ISRP fundable rating. This project was not included in the final projects recommended for funding by the NWPPC in that province.

It was determined that this project was not in an urgent situation for a decision and therefore review will occur through the normal Quarterly Review Process.

**ACTION:** Decision on this request was deferred to the scheduled Quarterly Review Process that begins on June 6, 2002.

**ITEM 6: Next Meeting**

The next AFC meeting is scheduled for **June 20, 2002** in Portland, Oregon. The agenda will include review and approval of Innovative Project recommendations and review and approval of the Quarterly Review within-year budget modification requests. Please send additional agenda item suggestions to Tom Iverson prior to June 12, 2002.