

DATE: October 3, 2006

TO: Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee (AFAC)

FROM: Dave Ward, CBFWA staff

SUBJECT: October 12, 2006 Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee Meeting
Announcement and Draft Agenda

**Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 12, 2006
9:00 a.m. to noon
@
CBFWA – Portland, Oregon
Teleconference (503) 229- 0449 Id: 475514**

Draft Agenda

ITEM 1: Election of a New Chair

Dick Stone, WDFW, has retired as Chair, and there is no Vice-Chair. Both positions need to be filled.

ITEM 2: Biological Objectives for Fish and Wildlife Program

The Member's Advisory Group (MAG) has requested that the AFAC determine how to best define biological objectives for anadromous fish as part of the Northwest Power and Conservation Council's amendment process (see <http://www.nwcouncil.org/library/2006/2006-15.htm>).

The MAG requested the technical advisory groups to:

1. Define populations, environmental attributes, and metrics to be used to establish objectives and measure progress towards meeting those objectives.
2. Define the appropriate scale for metrics (subbasin, province, etc.).
3. Comment on the Program objectives and the need to ensure compatibility with other activities (recovery planning, etc.)

ITEM 3: The Columbia River Hatchery Reform Project

Tom Iverson will lead a discussion on this project, including potential involvement of CBFWA members.

Jim Waldo briefed the MAG on the independent review of Columbia River Basin hatchery programs. The purpose of the project is to develop an approach that allows management of the hatcheries to meet conservation and harvest goals that meet legal responsibilities. The reviews will be conducted by a science team led by Dr. Lars Mobrand and a facilitation team led by Jim Waldo. The review is scheduled to be completed by spring 2008. Jim Waldo has requested fish and wildlife manager's participation. The MAG is concerned about time, effort, and funding, and has requested that the AFAC discuss the importance of this project relative to other needs.

Information provided (and attached) by project staff indicates that total cost for co-manager involvement will be about \$250,000.

ITEM 4: Other updates and schedule next meeting