



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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DATE: July 31, 2008
TO: Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee
FROM: Dave Ward, CBFWA Staff
SUBJECT: July 31, 2008 AFAC Meeting Action Notes

AFAC Teleconference
Portland, Oregon
July 31, 2008

Final Action Notes

Attendees: Dave Ward (CBFWA)
By Phone: Tom Rien (ODFW), Lynn Hatcher (NOAA), Phil Roger (CRITFC), Dave Statler (NPT).
Time Allocation:

Objective 1. Committee Participation	100%
Objective 2. Technical Review	%
Objective 3. Presentation	%

ITEM 1: **Discuss the Draft Spreadsheet Summarizing Relationships Between Subbasin Objectives and Basin-wide Goals, and the Draft Briefing Paper for the Members**

Discussion: The AFAC focused the discussion primarily on the briefing paper for Members:

Lynn Hatcher suggested adding a sentence noting that several methods were used to develop objectives and that objectives may be refined as techniques are updated.

Phil Roger suggested the point be made that some of the fish harvested would have experienced natural mortality, and therefore the final results might be further refined.

Most of the subsequent discussion focused on potential interpretation of the results by various groups and how to minimize misperceptions and be prepared for questions regarding implications. The discussion should better explain that neither subbasin objectives nor basin-wide goals tell the entire story. Both are important. The paper should clarify that the intent is not to re-calculate loss estimates or recommend changes to objectives and goals of any geographic scope.

The discussion should include a few examples of what may change, including new hatcheries, and higher harvest levels given the large run sizes expected if all objectives are being met.

The AFAC agreed that general revisions were sufficient for the briefing paper, but that the presentation at the Members meeting should be framed so that the importance of these topics is clear, and that the Members are encouraged to discuss them in detail prior to distributing the analysis

Coordinating and promoting effective protection and restoration of fish, wildlife, and their habitat in the Columbia River Basin.

The Authority is comprised of the following tribes and government agencies:

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Coeur d'Alene Tribe

Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation

Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

Idaho Department of Fish and Game

Kootenai Tribe of Idaho

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

National Marine Fisheries Service

Nez Perce Tribe

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall

Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of Duck Valley

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Coordinating Agencies

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

outside of CBFWA.

Actions:

- Dave Ward will revise the briefing paper and provide it to the Members.
- Dave will prepare the presentation to the Members so that the important discussion and decision points are clear.

ITEM 2:

Next AFAC Teleconference

- August 11, 2008 at 1:00 PM PDT

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