



May 26, 2000

TO: Members Management Group (MMG)

FROM: Brian Allee *Bja*

SUBJECT: Draft Action Notes from the 5/3/00 MMG meeting

**MEMBERS MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 3, 2000**  
**8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**Embassy Suites Hotel**  
**Portland, OR**

**DRAFT ACTION NOTES**

Attendees: Robert Matt, CdAT; Dean Osterman, KT, Ray Entz, KT, Ronald Peters, CdAT; Keith Underwood, STI, Michele Beucler, IDFG; Doug Dompier, CRITFC; John Platt, CRITFC; John Palensky, NMFS; Fred Olney, USFWS; Larry Peterman, MDFWP; Ron Boyce, ODFW; Bert Bowler, IDFG; Chad Colter, SBT; Susan Barnes, ODFW; Si Whitman, NPT; Brian Marotz, MDFWP; Greg Sieglitz, ODFW, Brian Allee, Jann Eckman, Frank Young, Neil Ward, Tom Iverson, Kathie Titzler, Tana Klum, CBFWA/F

By Phone: Sue Ireland, KTI; Bob Foster, WDFW

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**ITEM 1: Update from the April 25<sup>th</sup> NWPPC Meeting**

Discussion: Brian Allee provided an overview of the modified schedule for the Phase 1 amendment process currently under NWPPC consideration.

- Recommendations due May 12;
- Comment period on recommendations late May through July;
- Draft Program adopted by NWPPC at August 8 & 9 work session;
- Public hearings and public comments on draft rule through 9/20;
- Program to be adopted at October 10 & 11 NWPPC meeting.

The NWPPC would accept proposals for early actions after rule is adopted, so between September and end of year the funding would start for early actions (not constrained by subbasin planning).

## **ITEM 2: Program Amendment Recommendations**

Discussion: Tom Giese presented the May 1<sup>st</sup> edition and the major changes:

- A new outline;
- Subbasin assessments and strategic plans will receive scientific review prior to subbasin teams developing the three year implementation plans;
- Changes to the resident fish and wildlife materials;
- New material in the implementation strategies and standards section;
- A proposed transition to subbasin planning with a February 2001 deadline for initial subbasin plans and measures (Phase II);
- Criteria for high priority/early actions.

The MMG agreed that a separate scientific review was appropriate but that the purpose of that scientific review should be defined. Tom Giese offered the following as possible choices:

- to determine that the assessment information in the subbasin plan is based upon all the available information;
- to verify the scientific basis of the limiting factors that have been identified;
- to verify that the strategies recommended to address those limiting factors, are scientifically justifiable.

The MMG felt the group of selected scientists should be available to all the SRT's on an "as needed (consultant) basis" and that any modification to a subbasin plan would not occur independently of the fish and wildlife managers.

There was considerable discussion over the schedule and the type of product that could be delivered in the time frame. If 9/30/01 is the decision date, the managers need to be realistic and clearly articulate the product that can be delivered, including identifying the gaps.

Tom Iverson said that in December, 2000, the assessments are scheduled to be done. On October 10, 2000, the NWPPC is adopting some early action criteria (ESA and biologically necessary actions), as well as the trust and treaty responsibilities of the Federal Government (on a separate track). Fred stated that the early action criteria should include funding for participating in the process and be included in the submission of proposals. The FTE in the CBFWA budget is part of the project and has specific tasks that we have been doing over the last few years and we are talking about something much more significant in the way of subbasin

assessment and plans. Tom will revise the amendment document to include that language.

**ACTION:** The MMG agreed that the due date for the fish and wildlife managers Phase II amendment recommendations would be April 1, 2001. Those recommendations can be anything from a single action to a complete subbasin plan, depending upon what can get completed. A revised amendment document will be sent tomorrow afternoon.

**ITEM 3: FY 2001 CBFWA Project Proposal**

**Discussion:** Brian summarized the CBFWA ongoing project proposal submitted for FY 2001. The proposal includes the five tasks that were in the FY 2000 proposal for staff and members which is shown in Section 5 (O&M). The future need shown in Section 3 (Planning & Design) includes a funding request of one FTE for all 19 members to participate in subbasin planning and a proposed addition of one CBFWA staff person oriented towards subbasin planning. So the proposal requests two sources of funding: 1) ongoing for the rolling provincial review (section 5); and, 2) additional funding for subbasin planning (section 3).

**ACTION:** The MMG recommended that this proposal be considered a “placeholder” and not the total request. The statement of work and funding need will continue to be worked on between now and October.

**ITEM 4: Collaborative Analytical Process (CAP) Proposal Update and Discussion**

**Discussion:** Concerns raised about the proposal were:

- Resident fish and wildlife is not included;
- Budget amount – can reductions be made;
- Lack of member involvement;
- Is this just more “process building;”
- Not clear on how this will get “something” on the ground.

**ACTION:** Since this proposal is on the May 10<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting agenda, the MMG recommended that members who had problems with this proposal meet to resolve their concerns. A meeting was scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2000, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at CBFWA.

**ITEM 5: Presentation of RFC, AFC and WC FY01 Project Renewal and Budget Balancing Procedures**

**Discussion:** Insufficient time and lack of a quorum to discuss or take action on this item.

**ITEM 6: Rolling Provincial Review**

Discussion: This item was discussed under agenda item 2, Program Amendment Recommendations.

**ITEM 7: Wildlife Committee Funding Request**

Discussion: The Wildlife Committee currently has projects that have gone through the process but were insufficiently funded because of the 70/15/15-budget allocation method. BPA has indicated that MOA funds cannot be used until “leftover” Direct Program funds are spent. The Committee is asking that the MMG approve this draft letter to the NWPPC requesting full funding of those projects and approve placing this on the May 10<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting agenda for Members approval.

ACTION: Due to the lack of a quorum, the MMG asked Michele to write a memo clarifying this request and send it to the MMG for consent mail approval to put this item on the agenda. In that memo she should also request comments on the letter prior to having it considered by the Members. Due to the short time frame, this should be done before Friday, May 5.

**ITEM 8: Draft Agenda for 5/10/00 Members Meeting**

Discussion: Jann asked MMG members to review the draft agenda and contact her regarding changes.

**ITEM 9: Next Meeting Date**

ACTION: Due to the NWPPC meeting schedule, the next MMG meeting will be **Thursday, June 8, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the CBFWA Office in Portland.**