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November 7, 2001

TO: Members Management Group (MMG)
FROM: Brian Allee
SUBJECT: Draft 10/31/01 MMG Meeting Action Notes

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

**MEMBERS MANAGEMENT GROUP
Meeting/Conference Call
October 31, 2001
9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

Draft Action Notes

Attendees: Fred Olney, USFWS; Peter Hassemer, IDFG; Tony Nigro, ODFW; Catriona Black, CRITFC, Brian Allee, Tom Giese, Kathie Titzler, Tana Klum, CBFWA.

By Phone: Larry Rutter, NMFS; Robert Matt, Cd'AT; Theodora Strong, YN; Bill Tweit, WDFW; Chad Colter, SBT; Sue Ireland, KTI; Mary Verner, STI; Matt Berger, CCT; Vinny Pero, SPT; Jay Hesse, Robin Armstrong, Dave Statler and Jaime Pinkham, NPT.

Time Allocation: Objective 1. FY 2002 Renewal Process %
Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries %
Objective 3. FY 2001 Adjustments %

ITEM 1: Status of the CBFWA Strategic Planning Effort

- Progress report on the 13 Tribes meeting

Action: The coordination of this meeting was assigned to Tana at the Members meeting in October. Plans for this meeting are still in progress. No action taken.

ITEM 2: Status of the NWPPC Columbia Plateau Decision on 11/7 & 11/8/01 and Implications for Provincial Budget Allocation for Mountain Snake and Blue Mountain Project Review

Action: CBFWA Staff will draft a brief letter for Consent Mail that will include asking the NWPPC to defer making a final decision on two issues detailed in the NWPPC October 18 draft decision document. The MMG also agreed to request the NWPPC collaborate with CBFWA and BPA to conduct a regional meeting as soon as possible to discuss the total annual budget for “direct” expenditures under the Fish and Wildlife Program, and the principles and criteria for allocating the budget among and within the remaining provinces.

The Consent Mail will be sent 11/2 with a due date of COB 11/5, in order to present the letter to the NWPPC at their meeting 11/7-8 in Idaho Falls, ID.

ITEM 3: Within-Year Funding Request

- Nez Perce Cryopreservation Request (attached)

Action: Send to CBFWA Members for Consent Mail, with objections due close of business 11/8. Funding for this project will be identified at the Quarterly Review Meeting 11/5. The funding request will be sent to the NWPPC for consideration at their meeting December 11-12 in Portland.

ITEM 4: Status of MOA Discussions

Action: No action taken. Tom Giese will poll the CBFWA Members to discuss the level of interest in taking a lead on this issue.

ITEM 5: BPA Response to the Crediting Issue

Action: Fred Olney expressed that this issue is more critical than it appears on the surface, especially as the subbasin planning and assessments will soon be underway. Bob Austin (BPA), sent a letter on October 11 in response to CBFWA’s request to discuss crediting. The CBFWA Wildlife Committee will address this item at their next meeting on 11/13, and will draft a letter in response to BPA.

ITEM 6: Project Reviews

- Status of the budget deferrals of the Columbia Gorge, Intermountain, and Mountain Columbia provinces

Action: No action taken. CBFWA staff advised the MMG that two meetings would be held this week to identify areas within projects where money could be saved.

ITEM 7: BPA Quarterly Review

- Discuss upcoming Quarterly Review issues

Action: No action taken. Tom Giese proposed that some within year budget modifications could be addressed at Quarterly Review meetings, versus the “emergency” status they are often given. Fred asked that Tom define criteria including what constitutes an emergency.

ITEM 8: FPC

- Discussion of the FPC Board of Directors and contract

Action: No action taken. Discussions are continuing between the FPC Board of Directors and others.

ITEM 9: Rescheduling the Special Members Meeting

- Select date and place

Action: The next CBFWA Members Meeting will be held the second or third week of January, 2002 in Portland. At that meeting, CBFWA Members will be asked to set a date for a Special Members meeting to follow up on CBFWA Strategic Planning discussions with the 13 Basin Tribes.

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