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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 fish and wildlife agencies:

Burns Paiute Tribe

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

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Coordinating Agencies

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

DATE: April 3, 2008
TO: Members Advisory Group (MAG)
FROM: Brian Lipscomb, Executive Director, CBFWA
SUBJECT: Final Action Notes for the March 18-19, 2008 MAG Meeting

Members Advisory Group (MAG) Meeting Tuesday, March 18, 2008 10 am-5 pm & Wednesday, March 19, 2008 8 am-12:30 pm @ CBFWA Office, Portland OR

Support material is posted on the MAG webpage at: http://www.cbfgwa.org/committee_mag.cfm

Final Action Notes

Attendees 3/18: Elmer Ward, CTWS; Lawrence Schwabe, BPT; Ronald Peters, Cd'AT; Bob Heinith, CRITFC; Lynn DuCharme, CSKT; Gary James, CTUIR; Elmer Ward, CTWS; Paul Kline, IDFG; Joe Mentor, Mentor Law Group, PLLC; Dave Statler, NPT; Elizabeth Gaar, NOAA Fisheries; Lynn Hatcher, NOAA Fisheries; Tony Nigro, ODFW; Tom Rien, ODFW; Doug Taki, SBT; Mike Faler, USFWS; Nate Pamplin, WDFW; Mark Bagdovitz, USFWS; Patty O'Toole, NPCC; Karl Weist, NPCC; Kathie Titzler, Dave Ward, Tom Iverson, Pat Burgess, CBFWA

By Phone 3/18: Laura Gephart, CRITFC; Bill Towey, CTCR; Brad Houslet, CTWS; Michele DeHart, FPC; Sue Ireland, KTOI; Scott Soultz, KTOI; Brian Marotz, MFWP

Attendees 3/19: Elmer Ward, CTWS; Mark Bagdovitz, USFWS; Lawrence Schwabe, BPT; Ronald Peters, Cd'AT; Lynn DuCharme, CSKT; Gary James, CTUIR; Joe Mentor, Mentor Law Group, PLLC; Rob Walton, NOAA Fisheries; Karl Weist, NPCC; Doug Taki, SBT; Mike Faler, USFWS; Nate Pamplin, WDFW; Tom Iverson, Ken MacDonald, Dave Ward, Pat Burgess, CBFWA

By Phone 3/19: Carl Scheeler, CTUIR; Michele DeHart, FPC; Paul Kline, IDFG; Sue Ireland, KTOI; Brian Marotz, MFWP; Tom Rien, ODFW

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

ITEM 1: Introductions and Approve Agenda

Brian Marotz, MFWP, and Brad Houslet, CTWS, were both attending remotely; Elmer Ward, CTWS, served as onsite Chair.

It was discussed that Item 3 *Decision on the next Project Selection Process* would be deferred to later in the day and covered only if time allowed.

Action: The MAG amended the agenda with the deferral of Item 3 till later in the day to focus on the amendment recommendations. No objections.

Note: *The items are listed in the ordered discussed.*

ITEM 2: Approve February 19, 2008 MAG Meeting Draft Action Notes as Final

Action: The MAG approved the February 19, 2008 draft action notes as final. No objections.

ITEM 4: Final MAG Review of Amendment Recommendations – March 18-19th

Tom Iverson, CBFWA, stated that the goal is for the MAG to review the CBFWA amendment recommendation package (March 14th draft) by the end of the meeting. If there are sections that do not reach agreement, they will be eliminated. The intent is to put the final package together for review by the CBFWA Members on March 19th. The Members will review the package over the following two weeks and reconvene on April 2nd for final approval.

From a process standpoint, MAG members can abstain from one amendment if they are not in agreement, but do not have to abstain from the entire document. For example, NOAA has advised that they may have to abstain from any amendments that direct Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) policy on accounting because one federal agency to another cannot weigh in on those issues.

If there are objections, the options are to delete it from the amendment package or identify it as an issue, try to resolve it, and bring it back to the Members on April 2nd for their consideration. The group agreed to not word-smith within the meeting but instead the parties not in agreement would edit the amendment and bring back an alternative for review by the end of the meeting.

The MAG originally planned to meet on March 18th only but expanded the meeting to include the morning of March 19th in order to finalize their review.

Actions: MAG Consensus Table Notes capturing edits, actions, and abstentions:
http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2008_0318/MAGConsensusTableNotes2008_0318-19.xls.

ITEM 3: NPCC Decision on the next Project Selection Process

The MAG deferred this discussion to a later date.

FYI & Upcoming Meetings: CBFWA Members Teleconference, Wednesday, April 2, 2008, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Amendment Recommendations due to NPCC: April 4, 2008
The next NPCC Meeting is scheduled for April 15-16, 2008 in Whitefish, MT.
Meeting adjourned.