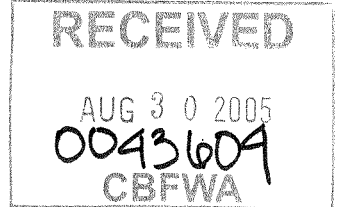


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August 18, 2005

Mr. Brian Lipscomb, Executive Director
Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority
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RE: Rescission of Decision to Withdraw CBFWA Membership

Dear Mr. Lipscomb:

The Kootenai Tribe of Idaho hereby notifies the Members of the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority (CBFWA) of its rescission of the May 31, 2005 letter giving 90-day written notice to withdraw its membership under Section 406 of the CBFWA Charter.

The Tribe and its staff have been pleased with the respect CBFWA has shown for Kootenai Tribal interests and sovereignty and for the progress made to address concerns raised by the Tribe and its sister-Tribes in the Upper Columbia United Tribes.

The Tribe looks forward to working with the Members and moving the organization forward in a manner consistent with its mission to restore all fish and wildlife species in the Columbia River Basin.

Sincerely yours,

Gary Aitken, Sr. Chairman
Kootenai Tribal Council

cc: Members of CBFWA
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MESSAGE: Enclosed is the Rescission of Decision to Withdraw CBFWA Membership announced at the August 29, 2005 Members' Meeting held in Seattle, Washington. The Kootenai Tribal Council made its decision by resolution on August 18, 2005.

Unfortunately, we were unable to obtain signatures for the letter due to last week's budget retreat and a tragedy that struck the Tribe this week. We will obtain signatures for the letter next week and forward the signed copy to CBFWA.

Thank you.

Billy Barquin
Kootenai Tribal Attorney

