



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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

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Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

DATE: December 28, 2006
TO: Members
FROM: Brian Lipscomb, CBFWA
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for 1/03/07 Members Teleconference Meeting

**Members Teleconference
January 3, 2007
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
CBFWA Office, Portland, OR**

Teleconference 503-229-0449 Id: 576645

Draft Agenda

The support material and reference documents for the 1/03/07 Members Teleconference will be posted at:

<http://www.cbfga.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=Members&meeting=all>.

ITEM 1: Introductions and Approval of Agenda

ITEM 2: Review the December 6, 2006 Members Teleconference Draft Action Notes

Recommended Action: Approve the December 6, 2006 Members Teleconference Draft Action Notes as Final Action:

ITEM 3: CSKT Budget Increase Request

CSKT has expended its FY06 CBFWA contract amount of \$6,000 and they are requesting an additional \$5,000 to continue participating through the remainder of this contract period. There is currently approx. \$34,000 left in the Reserve account.

Recommended Action:

- Review CSKT letter and approve request for additional funding.

ITEM 4: Briefing on Wildlife O&M Issue and Presentation Review

In the FY 07-09 recommendations to BPA the NPCC recommended that all wildlife O&M funding be considered interim. Asserting that neither the NPCC nor BPA had ever reviewed wildlife O&M costs, the NPCC advised that a final recommendation would be made subsequent to a review.

Some important points are:

- NPCC has initiated this review since the recommendations in October.
- Received briefing from BPA PISCES data at the November meeting.
- Met with BPA to develop a work plan for the review on 12/4/06.
- Developed a draft assignment to the Independent Economic Analysis Board (IEAB) as part of the work plan for consideration by the NPCC at their December meeting.
- As a result of this activity some Members expressed concern that this conversation was proceeding on a track without Fish & Wildlife Managers' input.
- On a separate track from these efforts the UCUT's scheduled to give an overview of Wildlife O&M to the Fish and Wildlife Committee at the December NPCC meeting. CBFWA was able to work with UCUT from this presentation and request that all the Fish

and Wildlife Managers be included in this conversation and that NPCC not make the assignment to the IEAB prior to that input.

Based on this information the NPCC held off on their IEAB assignment until CBFWA input could be provided and they are also looking to include the Fish and Wildlife Managers in the overall evaluation of wildlife O&M. The NPCC would like a presentation from CBFWA at its January meeting to inform this discussion and provide feedback to the IEAB.

Some reference documents are the IEAB Task documents #105: Scoping Investigation of Available Project Information and #116: Investigation of Wildlife O&M Costs. **Task documents 105 and 116** and the **UCUT presentation** and **O&M Fact Sheet** are posted for review at: <http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=MAG&meeting=all>.

Recommended
Action:

- Review and approve the draft presentation on the Wildlife O&M Issue for the January 16-18, 2007 NPCC Meeting.

ITEM 5: CBFWA Response to Innovation Project Solicitation Alternative

ITEM 6: CBFWA Office Move and Fish Passage Center Update

ITEM 7: Next Members Teleconference/Winter Member's Meeting

The next Members Teleconference is scheduled for February 7, 2007.

The MAG is recommending to the Members that the 2007 Winter Members meeting be held on February 7-8, 2007 in Boise, Idaho.

Agenda items cued for the Winter Members Meeting include: Passing the gavel, the Program Evaluation Process, and Work Plan for CBFWA/Resulting in recommendations to amend the Program with guest advisor, Joe Mentor, proposed Innovative Project Solicitation, FY 2005 Status of the Resource Report, and Celilo Falls Inundation Anniversary Partnership with speaker John Platt, CRITFC..

The next NPCC meetings are scheduled for:

- January 16-18, 2007 in Vancouver, WA - CBFWA's Wildlife O&M presentation
- February 13-15, 2007 in Portland OR - CBFWA's feedback on StreamNet FY07-09 Priorities and CBFWA's response to *in lieu* process
- March 13-15, 2007 in Boise, ID

Recommended
Action:

Approve dates for the Winter Members Meeting and establish draft agenda.