



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.

The Authority is comprised of the following tribes and fish and wildlife agencies:

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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 Department of Fish, Wildlife and 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: October 9, 2007
TO: CBFWA Members
FROM: Dan Diggs, Chair and Brian Lipscomb, CBFWA
SUBJECT: Final Action Notes from October 3, 2007 Members Teleconference

Members Teleconference Wednesday, October 3, 2007

@ Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority (CBFWA), Portland OR

The support material and reference documents for the meeting are posted at <http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=Members&meeting=all>.

Final Action Notes Approved 11/7/07

Attendees: Chairman Dan Diggs, USFWS; Brian Lipscomb, Jann Eckman, Kathie Titzler, Tom Iverson, Dave Ward, Neil Ward, Ken MacDonald, Pat Burgess, CBFWA

By Phone: Dale W. Chess, Cd'AT; Laura Gephart, CRITFC; Steve Yundt, IDFG; F&W Director Sue Ireland, KTOI; Larry Peterman, MDFWP; Dave Statler, NPT; Gary Sims, NOAA Fisheries; Tony Nigro, ODFW; Claude Broncho, SBT; Tim Dykstra, SPT; Nate Pamplin, WDFW

Time Allocation:

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

ITEM 1: Introductions and Approval of Agenda

Action:

- The agenda was approved with the addition of a review of the Fish & Wildlife Program Amendment presentation to be given to the Northwest Power and Conservation Council Fish & Wildlife Committee on October 16th. No objections.

ITEM 2: Approve draft action notes from the September 18-19, 2007 Members meeting as final.

Action:

- The September 18-19, 2007 Members draft action notes were approved as final. No objections.

ADDED ITEM: Presentation to the NPCC on October 16, 2007: Development of F&W Program Amendments

Dave Ward reviewed a presentation developed by CBFWA staff for the NPCC on October 16, 2007:
http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/CouncilFWCommitteeAmendmentsPresentationByCBFWA_16October2007.pdf.

On the slide "CBFWA to Do," the Members asked that CBFWA staff remove the word "obligation" from "Estimate the FCRPS Obligation" and replace it with a word that would less likely take away from the intended meaning.

Action:

- The Members approved the presentation with the requested revision to the slide titled "CBFWA to Do." No objections.

ITEM 3: Fish Passage Center Oversight Board (FPCOB) Update from the Members Advisory Group (MAG)

Brian Lipscomb referenced six FPCOB work expectations for 2007-2008 bulleted on page one of the CBFWA briefing document as articulated by the FPCOB in the August 2, 2007 meeting.

(http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/MAG/meetings/2007_0926/FPCOBIssueBriefingPaper.pdf) The expectations and the questions on page two of the document were discussed with the MAG in their meeting on September 26th.

Brian advised that the NPCC invited the Lower River Tribes to participate; however, the Lower River Tribes have opted out because of they don't agree with current functions of the FPCOB. The MAG discussed whether all members were comfortable with CBFWA assuming the role called for in the Program as it relates to the FPC Manager's oversight, supervision, and performance evaluation and as it relates to CBFWA nominating members for the FPCOB Technical Advisory Board to the FPCOB. The Lower River Tribe members communicated that they must discuss this issue further before endorsing CBFWA's involvement.

- Action:**
- The MAG discussion concluded in direction for CBFWA staff to craft a statement of position to the NPCC for MAG consideration on October 23rd and then for CBFWA Member review on November 7th.

ITEM 4: CBFWA Work Plan and Project Funding Request

Tom reviewed with the Coordination Definitions document with the Members: [http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/DRAFTCoordinationDefinitions_9-19-07MbrsApproved\(addedits\).doc](http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/DRAFTCoordinationDefinitions_9-19-07MbrsApproved(addedits).doc). The document contained edits provided by the other coordination project sponsors since the Members meeting in Polson, MT.

The Members reviewed the document and suggested additional edits with the understanding that the edited document will be pending review by the Upper Columbia United Tribes (UCUT). Brian Lipscomb suggested that the changes made to the document also be reviewed with Deane Osterman and Ray Entz of the Kalispel Tribe of Indians (KT).

- Action:**
- The Members moved to approve the Coordination Definitions document with changes discussed pending UCUT review on Monday, October 8th. No objections.

Brian Lipscomb reviewed the budget options presented which include estimated costs to be incurred by Members:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/CBFWA_AWP_%20Summary.xls

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/CBFWA08-09costsMembers.xls

Tom Iverson reviewed an amendment process timeline:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/ProcessTimelinesAmenProjSelRate1003.pdf

- Action:**
- The Members moved to approve the FY08-09 AWP budget reflecting one less FTE. No objections.

ITEM 5: CSMEP Funding Request

Ken MacDonald reviewed the CSMEP Funding Letter, Version #5:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/CSMEP_FundingLetter_to_BPA_ver5.doc. After some discussion, the Members asked that Ken make the edits to the letter and bring it back for approval before the conclusion of the meeting.

Ken provided a quick overview of the presentation to be given to the NPCC at their October meeting in Missoula, MT:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/CSMEP_NPCC_Missoula_ver1.ppt

- Action:**
- The Members moved to approve the edited letter. The presentation was approved with the caveat that changes would be made to the presentation to make it consistent with the edited letter. No objections.

Final CSMEP funding request letter sent to BPA:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/CSMEP_FundingLetter_to_BPAFinal.pdf

ITEM 6: BPA In Lieu Letter

The Members deliberated about the type of transmittal document to accompany Joe Mentor's legal analysis to BPA. Rather than submitting the letter that was originally drafted, the Members decided to submit the document with a brief memo enclosing the document. The memo would not reflect a policy or legal position of CBFWA Members but instead just forward the document for public information.

- Action:**
- The Members moved to forward a brief letter to BPA enclosing Joe Mentor's legal analysis for public information. The letter will not reflect a policy and legal position of the CBFWA Members. No objections.

Final letter from D. Diggs, CBFWA, to G. Delwiche, BPA, enclosing Joe Mentor's legal analysis:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/Final_CBFWA_In-LieuLtrToDelwicheBPA_100407.pdf

ITEM 7: Approval to Contract with Mobrand, Jones & Stokes

Brian Lipscomb recalled at September meeting in Polson, the Members tasked the MAG and CBFWA staff to further investigate the value and cost of using the All H Analyzer (AHA) to prioritize measures among the H's. That task has been completed and the contract specifics were presented to the Members for their review and approval:

http://www.cbfwa.org/Committees/Members/meetings/2007_1003/AHAProposal_UseAHAinDevelopmentOfProgramAmendments_100107.doc

Brian Lipscomb stressed the importance of the Members committing their technical staffs' participation.

- Action:**
- The Members moved for CBFWA staff to proceed forward to work with Mobrand, Jones & Stokes. No objections.

ITEM 8: Upcoming Meetings

- The next Members Teleconference is scheduled for November 7, 2007 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. PST.
- The Winter Members Meeting is scheduled for January 17-18, 2007 in Vancouver, WA.
- The next NPCC meeting is October 16-18, 2007 in Missoula, MT.

Meeting Adjourned.