



# 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:**

Burns Paiute 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

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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

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Coordinating Agencies**

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

**DATE:** February 11, 2010  
**TO:** Wildlife Advisory Committee (WAC)  
**FROM:** Chairman Doug Calvin, CBFWA  
**SUBJECT:** Draft Agenda February 16, 2010 Wildlife Advisory Committee Meeting

**Wildlife Advisory Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, February 16, 2010  
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. (Pacific)  
at CBFWA Office, Portland, OR**

**Teleconference Number: 503-229-0449 Id: 812554**

WebEx has been arranged for this meeting:  
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**Draft Agenda**

- ITEM 1: Introductions, Approve Agenda**  
**Recommended Action:** Approve draft agenda.
- ITEM 2: Review and Approve as Final January Draft Action Notes**  
**Recommended Action:** Approve 01/20/2010 WAC Meeting draft action notes as final.
- ITEM 3: Responses to proposed BPA Fish and Wildlife Appraisal Requirements**  
**Discussion:** BPA shared a draft copy of their proposed appraisal requirements at the January 20, 2010 WAC meeting. On February 5, 2010 BPA released their proposed requirements for 30-day public comment, scheduled to close on March 5, 2010. The WAC members requested that BPA ensure an opportunity for the co-managers to meet and discuss these requirements prior to the close of public comment. The intention for today's discussion is share information between the co-managers regarding who is providing comments and what are the primary concerns being raised. The new requirements will take effect April 1, 2010.
- ITEM 4: HEP Presentation for Wildlife Crediting Forum – Paul Ashley**  
**Discussion:** Review and discuss Paul Ashley's presentation on the design, application, and ramifications of using HEP for the BPA's wildlife mitigation program. Paul will be providing this presentation to the Wildlife Crediting Forum on February 17, 2010.

**ITEM 5: Draft Wildlife Monitoring Implementation Strategy**

Discussion: The WAC created a writing subcommittee to begin drafting a strawman Wildlife Monitoring Implementation Strategy. As the small group began working, they quickly discovered that additional guidance is necessary from the WAC (and other regional participants). The WAC will discuss several components of creating a work plan for developing a Wildlife Monitoring Implementation Strategy (WMIS).

- Discuss MERR document and its relationship to the Wildlife Monitoring Implementation Strategy. Scott has provided a first attempt at comparing these documents (see attached outline),
- Discuss habitat cover types by species to see if we can link species to a standard protocol for habitats listed in the loss assessments (2000 Program, Table 11-4). Matt Berger has initiated an effort to matching species to habitats, but has determined this may be an enormous task. Habitat Cover Types/species (see attached draft appendix C modified Feb 2010) related to MERR (page 15)
- Tom will provide a quick review of NPCC RM&E Categorical Review timeline and which wildlife projects may be impacted by that review (see <http://www.nwcouncil.org/fw/budget/2010/rmeap/timeline.pdf>)
- Draft schedule and work plan for developing WMIS (see attached memo)

**ITEM 6: Strategy for Participation in Wildlife Crediting Forum**

Discussion: The WAC will review the draft agenda for the February 17, 2010 Wildlife Crediting Forum and discuss any potential strategies that can help make the meeting a success.

**ITEM 7: Next WAC Meeting**

**Recommended Action:** Schedule next WAC meeting

**MEETING** Wildlife Crediting Forum

**REMINDER:** January 17, 2010

8:00 am – 2:00 pm

NPCC Central Offices, Portland OR

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