



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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TO: Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee (AFAC)

FROM: Doug Taki, Chair

SUBJECT: March 8, 2007 AFAC Meeting Draft Agenda

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 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

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Coordinating Agencies

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday March 8, 2007

10:00 AM to Noon PST

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CBFWA – Portland, Oregon

Teleconference (503) 229-0449 ID: 209936

Draft Agenda

ITEM 1: Program Amendments

During the January 24, 2007 AFAC meeting, participants reviewed the “Outline of Program Amendment Recommendations” prepared by the CBFWA staff to evaluate what the AFAC could accomplish relative to the proposed amendment process. The AFAC determined that it was plausible to link subbasin objectives to regional objectives through development of provincial objectives. The first step in this process is reviewing, confirming, and augmenting where appropriate, focal species, biological objectives, and primary limiting factors. AFAC members should use the Status of the Resources Report as the primary tool for reviewing and confirming subbasin information.

During the February 7, 2007 Members meeting, the Members confirmed this approach by directing the technical committees to: 1) define and clarify terms (i.e., focal species, objectives, how to express limiting factors, etc.), 2) confirm population level biological objectives, 3) ensure that priorities affecting fish and wildlife are captured in this process, 4) validate current limiting factors including out-of-basin affects, and 5) review and build on strategies and actions necessary to reduce the limiting factors.

During the February 20, 2007 Members Advisory Group (MAG) meeting, participants directed the technical committees to provide a progress update during the MAG meeting on March 20, 2007.

As per the Action Notes from the January 24, 2007 AFAC meeting, prior to March 8, 2007, AFAC members should:

- Review and comment on framework flowcharts and the population

lists distributed by Dave Ward.

- Review the Program amendment outline previously distributed, and complete tasks associated with “confirming” existing information.

The AFAC will discuss progress made on these assignments, and develop a plan to facilitate further progress prior to the March 20, 2007 MAG meeting.

ITEM 2: BPA Funding Decision and In-Lieu Analysis

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) released its FY 2007-09 funding decision and In Lieu analysis on February 13, 2007. During the February 20, 2007 MAG Meeting, participants directed the technical committees to review, compare, and comment on the BPA’s recommendations relative to those provide by (1) the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council), and (2) the fish and wildlife managers, and to provide a report to the MAG on March 20, 2007.

The AFAC will discuss this assignment. Dave Ward will provide a spreadsheet comparing funding recommendations among (1) fish and wildlife managers, (2) Council, and (3) BPA.

ITEM 3: 2007 Work Plan

The AFAC will provide final comments on and approve the general 2007 work plan previously distributed.

ITEM 4: Other Updates and Schedule Next Meeting

Members should be prepared to have monthly meetings to work on the amendment process.