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DATE: April 23, 2009

TO: Anadromous Fish Advisory Committee (AFAC)

FROM: Lynn Hatcher, Chair, and Dave Ward CBFWA staff

SUBJECT: April 20, 2009 AFAC Teleconference Final Action Notes

AFAC Teleconference April 20, 2009 1:00 PM

Portland, Oregon, CBFWA Office

## **Final Action Notes**

**Attendees:** Dave Ward (CBFWA)

**By Phone:** Lynn Hatcher (NOAA), Teresa Scott (WDFW), Tom Rien (ODFW), Phil

Roger (CRITFC)

Time Objectives 1. Committee Participation 100%
Allocation: Objectives 2. Technical Review 0%
Objectives 3. Presentation 0%

**ITEM 1:** Introductions

ITEM 2: Approval of Agenda

**ACTION:** The agenda was approved.

ITEM 3: Approve Action Notes from February 24, 2009 AFAC Teleconference.

**ACTION:** Approval of Action Notes was deferred until the next teleconference

because of low attendance.

ITEM 4: Assignment from Members Regarding Analysis of Relationships

Between Subbasin Objectives and Basin-wide Goals

Discussion: At their January 21-22, 2009 meeting in Boise, the Members assigned the

AFAC to work with the MAG to develop strategies to (1) identify how the 5 million fish goal was established by the Northwest Power Planning Council (Council) for the 1987 Fish and Wildlife Program, (2) summarize how current objectives have been established, and (3) develop criteria for

establishing population goals (including broad sense recovery).

Part (1) of the assignment had been completed by the February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 AFAC teleconference, but that work was quickly summarized once again.

As per discussion during the previous teleconference, Dave Ward used the detailed information already obtained for the objectives analysis to complete a draft of part (2) of the assignment. The AFAC reviewed this

summary, and discussed how to proceed with part (3).

The AFAC advised that no single method would likely be appropriate to

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develop population or subbasin objectives across all areas. Instead, the AFAC recommended that the best information/science/analytical tools available be used to develop objectives, and that the method used be fully documented. The AFAC further recommended that objectives be fully developed to include components for natural spawners, hatchery returns, and harvest.

The AFAC determined that little further would be gained by continued work on this assignment. The next logical step is to use the information compiled for this assignment to facilitate eventual work updating subbasin management plans as called for in the 2009 Fish and Wildlife Program.

**ACTION:** Dave Ward will present the AFAC findings and recommendations to the

Members Advisory Group on April 21, 2009.

**ITEM 5:** Status of the Resource Report

Discussion: Dave Ward provided a brief update on progress, and advised the AFAC

members that they would soon be asked to review the revised table of limiting factors drafted for each subbasin. The SOTR will be available for review for approximately one month, beginning in early May. Phil Roger provided a list of limiting factors used in developing the accords for cross-

reference.

**ACTION:** Dave will highlight areas of the SOTR most in need of review by AFAC

members in May.

AFAC will review appropriate sections of the SOTR, especially limiting

factors tables.

ITEM 6: Review of the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Program

Discussion: All the technical committees were assigned to review the Program,

comparing what was originally recommended by CBFWA to what is in the Program. Dave Ward made progress but had not yet completed the first draft of this assignment. AFAC members expressed general satisfaction with the progress made, and approved completion of the draft review.

**ACTION:** Dave Ward will complete the draft review of the Program.

AFAC members will review the draft, and will discuss it during the next

teleconference.

**ITEM 7:** Next Meeting Teleconference

Scheduling the next teleconference was deferred until after the MAG

meeting of April 21.

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