



December 4, 2000

TO: Members Management Group

FROM: Frank Young *Franklin R. Young*

SUBJECT: Ad Hoc Work Group on FY 2001 Funding Conference Call, November 30, 2000

Time allocation:

CBFWA Members Coordination Contract

Objective 1. *FY 2001 Project Renewal Process* 50%

Objective 2. *Rolling Province Review* 50%

Draft Action Notes

Attendees: Ron Boyce (ODFW), Dave Statler (NPT), Bert Bowler (IDFG), Amos Firstraisted (BPT), Phil Roger (CRITFC), Bob Foster (WDFW), John Palensky (NMFS), Kathie Titzler and Frank Young (CBFWA)

Item 1: Allocation for FY 2001 Integrated Funding

Discussion: Concern was expressed that funds allocated for FY 2001 were inadequate to cover the cost of agency participation in the Rolling Provincial Review. The group agreed that the cost of participation in FY 2001 would be much greater than for FY 2000 because there are more subbasins scheduled for review and the issues are more complex. Concern was also expressed over possible under-spending of FY 2000 funds by some Members while others have high unanticipated costs that are not being covered.

Action: All Members will be asked to provide an estimate of their needs for FY 2001 funds to Kathie Titzler by December 15, 2000 to support efforts to increase available funds for Member participation in the Rolling Provincial Review. CBFWA staff will continue working with Members to identify and release FY 2000 funds that will not be spent, to cover the expenses of those with unanticipated higher costs. Members with unanticipated higher costs associated with the Rolling Provincial Review will be encouraged to submit qualifying invoices, which exceed their contract limit, so they can be reimbursed with any remaining funds after the February 20, 2001 deadline for invoice submittal. This approach is intended to provide a more accurate determination of actual costs associated with performing covered tasks.

Item 2: Develop Briefing Points for the Council Meeting on December 5-6, 2000

Discussion: Frustration was expressed over Members chronic inability to develop reliable estimates of effort needed for participation in the Rolling Provincial Review as demonstrated by some Members greatly under-spending their allocation and others not having sufficient funds and no mechanism to free up funds in time to be spent by those in need. The group was especially concerned that this chronic under-spending of allocated funds has lead the Council to conclude that the funding level should be reduced.

Action: CBFWA staff was instructed to prepare materials for the Council presentation that demonstrate the difficulty of making reliable estimates of funding needs and show how more money is needed to cover anticipated work in FY 2001 than during FY 2000. A conference call will be set up for 1 p.m. December 4, 2000 to discuss the presentations at the December 6, 2000 Council meeting.