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TO: Members Management Group  
FROM: Brian Allee   
SUBJECT: Draft 4/26/01 MMG Meeting Action Notes

**MEMBERS MANAGEMENT GROUP  
MEETING  
April 26, 2001  
Longbeach, WA**

**DRAFT ACTION NOTES**

**Attendees:** Lynn Hatcher and Theo Strong, YIN; Carl Scheeler, CTUIR; Ron Peters, CdA; Dave Statler, NPT; Brian Marotz, MFWP; Sue Ireland, KTOI; Joe Maroney, KT; Bert Bowler, IDFG; Fred Olney, USFWS; Chad Colter, SBT; John Palensky, NMFS; Tom Giese, Tana Klum, Kathie Titzler, Neil Ward, Tom Iverson, and Brian Allee, CBFWA.

**Time** Objective 1. FY 2001 Renewal Process %  
**Allocation:** Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries %  
Objective 3. FY 2000 Adjustments %  
Objective 4. Template for watershed and subbasin assessment and plan %  
Objective 5. Coordinate program amendments %

**ITEM 1: Update on the CBFWA FY 2001 Budget Request**

**Discussion:** Kathie is still waiting for budgets by task and subbasin. She has a meeting with Doug Marker on Monday to discuss this issue. Only 25% of the subbasins have provided budgets, and five entities need to send tasks identifying what has been done and what projects are outstanding. Bert encouraged a prompt response from those needing to submit information.

**ITEM 2: Update from the NWPPC Meeting April 24-25 in Spokane**

- Discussion:
1. Oregon Council members are listening more to fish vs. power than other members. Council Chair Larry Cassidy is not advocating for fish.
  2. The Fish Passage Center (FPC) Board of Directors (BOD) is already in place. The Council was asked to defer a decision and meet with the FPC BOD first and report back to the Council in May.
  3. John Brogoitti is the new Fish 4 chair and it is good because he stays close to the process, and Oregon Council members are advocating for fish.
  4. Governor Kitzhaber was at the meeting. He quoted the Power Act and stated the need for a balance of fish, power, and \_\_\_\_\_'s obligations. Carl Scheeler brought up that some of the analysis the Council promised was not done yet. \_\_\_\_ got a cold shoulder from the other states.

Use Oregon C. members as a model. Brian Allee says we need to follow the Logic Path handout. What you need is testimony (this is coming to a head at the May meeting and the 1:30 meeting with Doug Marker). Carl said you have ISRP saying "keep it simple," but it costs more to keep it simple than hand them a huge pile. Bert said we need to stay on the defensive and create the products we know we need. They are our plans. We might have to eat some of the cost, but it's our tool and we need it. Keep the product. Chad: We don't have it. We can't eat it. Theo: Why can't we go around the Council? Fred: For years we've listened to these guys say, "You have no rationale, you have no unified plan." We need to be pounding the table. Dave S: We ARE learning as we're going. Carl: If the Council is going to scrutinize us, where is their "ultra-techno framework analysis"? The Council needs to go back to funding the big picture instead of continuing to punt to the subbasin level.

Strategy: The tribes go to the governors' offices. Acceptability with written letters from the Council and ISRP that are positive, yet negatively displayed at Council meetings. Be straighter with the Council. This must come from the tribes – need ag/industry buyoff.

Marotz:

- Opportunity for unified position is June 20 deadline for mainstem amendments.
- Do Marker's job for him when he does his one-page recommendation to the Council. Work with him to make him look good.

Scheeler:

Logic Path: whose [goal] is this? And if you don't have a goal you can't go forward with the rest of the Path. Efficient, usable, consistent.

TG:

What do you want to do?

- Continue with the summary process and make them as good as possible

(even if we have to eat a little \$) – pilot subbasin plans in three states (work with BPA?).

- Keep working with Council members, our staff and the Council’s staff.
- Need letters from tribes (like the Fed letter of 4/24) supporting subbasin effort – could we list out the simple message “the subbasin summaries are good documents.”

Fred w/limited or no spill, FCRPS funding offsets (talking tomorrow at Embassy Suites). Subbasin summaries are providing the rationale. Some time is needed to get details, but the summaries provide the rationale. Carl: clearly state our vision.

TG and TI say let’s go straight to BPA:

- Letter to Kitzhaber thanking him for his speech (cc: other governors and the Council)
- Letter to BPA: Idaho tribes will have to get together collectively to go to Governor (Jim Yost).
- Carl: it’s easier for tribes to work with feds and have the feds work with the states.

- ACTION:
1. Send billings (copies of time sheets)
  2. Letters in support of Subbasin Summaries need to be in the Council packet (so two weeks from the meeting?) (E-mail reminder!!)

**ITEM 3: Overall FY 2001 Budget**

Discussion: No report.

**ITEM 4: NWPPC Mainstem Program Amendments**

Discussion: June 15 is the deadline (not the 20<sup>th</sup>). Based on the BiOps CBFWA

- Plan for power so you can spill water for fish (Fred)
- Plan so that you can implement for the BiOps.

TG will staff letter (amendment recommendations). Fred, Brian Marotz, Sue Ireland and John Palensky will put together a strawman by May 15.

**ITEM 5: Idaho Office of Species Conservation (OSC) Membership Request**

Discussion: Dave Statler: Prior to official ex officio status, invite and see if they show up. For a while, Brian Allee to check with three other states for interest.

Dig up Gordon Haugen MOU.

General provision for MOUs define specific additional organizations for specific issues.

BA get timeframe from Joe re: member meeting action.

**ITEM 6: Collaborative Subbasin Planning Workshop**

Discussion: NWPPC is not interest in a workshop at this time.  
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