



July 17, 2001

TO: Members Management Group  
 FROM: Brian Allee  
 SUBJECT: 6/14/01 MMG Action Notes

**MEMBERS MANAGEMENT GROUP  
 MEETING/CONFERENCE CALL  
 June 14, 2001  
 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 CBFWA Office, Portland, OR**

**Action Notes**

**Attendees:** Bert Bowler, IDFG; John Palensky, NMFS; Ronald Peters, CdAT; Ron Boyce, ODFW; Theodora Strong, YN; Kathie Titzler, Jann Eckman, Brian Allee, Tom Iverson, Tom Giese, CBFWA

**By Phone:** Mary Verner, ST; Chad Colter, SBT; B.J. Keiffer, ST; Dave Statler, NPT; Fred Olney, USFWS; Bob Foster, WDFW; Brian Marotz, MDFWP; Amos FirstRaised, BPT; Vinny Pero, SPT; Guy Dodson, SPT; Lynn Hatcher, YN; Bob Heineth, CRITFC; Rob Lothrop, CRITFC

<b>Time</b>	Objective 1. FY 2002 Renewal Process	20%
<b>Allocation:</b>	Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries	0%
	Objective 3. FY 2001 Adjustments	75%

**ITEM 1: CBFWA FY 2001 Additional Request**

**Discussion:** Brian Allee said that the NWPPC approved the additional funds with the opportunity for ODFW, WDFW and IDFG to come back to the NWPPC meeting in Pendleton to provide in writing why a reinstatement should be made for IDFG and WDFW increase. Bob said that WDFW has already requested the \$30K be reinstated. Bert indicated that IDFG needed 40K. STB and SPT need more money and contractors. The MMG reviewed the three options Kathie provided regarding setting aside a reserve account on the new allocation.

**ACTION:** Bert, Chad and Guy will meet on 6/18/01 in Boise to coordinate their subbasin budgets. IDFG will reconcile their budget request and get the information to Kathie. WDFW will get a copy of their reinstatement letter to CBFWA. Ron will meet with Kathie and Brian to reconcile the summary table regarding their funding needs. MMG agreed to leave the reserve account at status quo. Brian urged the MMG to send in the invoices and time sheets.

**ITEM 2: AFC Request for ad hoc Fish and Wildlife Habitat Committee**

Discussion: Although the AFC brought this request to the MMG, the WC has considered this extensively. A charter for full standing committee has been developed for Members consideration. Brian Marotz asked how this affects funding recommendations, assignments, and how it would help MDFWP whose staff is doing on-the-ground work and not available to attend meetings. Brian Allee said it would provide for adequate project review by folks with habitat expertise that will enhance review of habitat projects. Tom Iverson said he understood that this committee would be established for project review to address crediting issue and acquisition projects. John Palensky asked how this committee relates to the SRTs. Mary Verner asked how this meshes with the NWPPC land acquisition committee and the feds habitat committee. John P. requested some time to review the draft Charter as the objectives seem light and general and he is still not sure how it fits in with the SRTs. The MMG felt that Carl Sheeler needed to be involved in the discussion and that the Charter needed to be more focused. John P. said he would try and get someone to work with Carl and Frank on this issue. Fred said he would help. Mary V. said before she would consider working on this she needs to understand what the need is and how it would fill in the gaps. Theodora indicated that would be difficult to do given the fact that the NWPPC process is not even defined. BA said this question should be part of the assignment for the group working on the charter. The role of this committee needs to be specified. Theodora volunteered to help.

ACTION: A working group consisting of John Palensky (or appointee), Fred Olney, and Theodora Strong will work in coordination with Carl Sheeler and Frank Young to review and specify the objectives, role and purpose of the committee. They will bring their revised charter and recommendations to the July 12<sup>th</sup> MMG meeting for further review and discussion.

**ITEM 3: Available Placeholder Amounts for FY 2001**

Discussion: Tom Giese indicated that currently there was zero available in the wildlife and resident fish placeholder and approximately \$2M available in the anadromous fish placeholder subject to caveats.

ACTION: Informational item only, no action taken

**ITEM 4: FY 2001 Within-Year Budget Modification**

- **Discuss USFS \$87K budget modification request for Project #199902000 and expedited consent mail due 6/19 for NWPPC packet**

Discussion Tom Iverson summarized the \$89K request. Dave stressed that it needs to be clear that this is a one-time request.

ACTION: MMG approved the request be forwarded to the Members for a three day consent mail approval, deadline 6/19/01.

- **Project #198331900, *New Marking and Monitoring Techniques for Fish*, \$457,300 for accelerating installation of PIT-tag detectors at McNary and \$349,700 at Bonneville Dam and expedited consent mail due 6/19/01 for NWPPC packet.**

Discussion: Tom Iverson summarized this request and said this will expedite the project, no additional funds but using the funds earlier.

**ACTION:** MMG approved the request be forwarded to the Members for a three day consent mail approval, deadline 6/19/01.

**ITEM 5: Mainstem Amendment Recommendations**

**Discussion:** Tom Giese presented the draft recommendations. He worked closely with John Palensky, Rob Lothrop and Mary Verner to develop agreed upon language on the specific areas of concern.

**ACTION:** The MMG made a few additional edits and approved submitting the letter to the NWPPC by 6/15/01.

**ITEM 6: BPA's Spill Mitigation Proposals**

**Discussion:** Tom Giese reviewed the draft comment letter. Given the constraints in getting the comments to the NWPPC before the deadline, suggested that the fish and wildlife managers use this letter to put together their own comments and add:

- the fish and wildlife managers have not had the opportunity to review the new proposals;
- acknowledge the continuing need for fish and wildlife mitigation

**ACTION:** MMG will email comments/language to Tom Giese. He will incorporate and get it out to the MMG for a short turnaround consent mail, deadline 6/19/01.

**ITEM 7: OSC Membership Request**

**Discussion:** Brian Allee summarized the latest proposal provided by Joe Mentor and Peter Dykstra, from Mentor Law, outlining the options for participation in CBFWA.

**ACTION:** The MMG wanted more time to consider the options and requested this issue be discussed at the next MMG meeting

**ITEM 8: Next Meeting – Tim, Place, Date**

**Discussion:** Brian indicated that the MMG has been invited by Battelle to meet at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Facility in Richland, WA. Battelle would like to present their Adaptive Management Platform for Subbasin Planning in the Columbia River Basin, to the MMG, provide a tour of their fish facilities, and host the business meeting.

**ACTION:** MMG agreed to hold their next meeting at the PNNL in Richland, WA.