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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

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

DATE: October 12, 2007
TO: Members Advisory Group
FROM: Brian Lipscomb, CBFWA
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for October 23, 2007 MAG Meeting

**Members Advisory Group (MAG) Meeting
Tuesday, October 23, 2007
Note Time Change: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. PST
@
CBFWA Office, Portland, Oregon**

Teleconference Line: (503) 229-0449 ID: 316942

This agenda and support material for the 10/23/07 MAG meeting are posted at:
http://www.cbfwa.org/committee_mag.cfm.

Draft Agenda

- ITEM 1: Introductions and Approval of Agenda**
9:00 am
- ITEM 2: Approve as Final: Draft Action Notes from the September 26, 2007 MAG Meeting and September 17-18, 2007 MAG Meeting/Amendment Workshop**
9:10 am
- ITEM 3: CTUIR Budget Increase Request**
9:15 am
- The CTUIR request a budget increase of \$10-12K for CTUIR involvement in CBFWA activities.
- ITEM 4: FY 08-09 CSMEP Funding Pursuit Report:**
9:30 am
- NPCC Fish and Wildlife Committee Feedback
 - BOG Review
 - Upcoming NPCC Full Council Consideration
- ITEM 5: CBFWA/Fish Passage Center Oversight Board (FPCOB) Working Relationship**
9:45 am
- Report from FPCOB October 15th Meeting in Missoula, MT
 - Consideration of the CBFWA perspective of implementing the NPCC Program Language pertaining to the FPCOB and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Functions
- ITEM 6: BPA will provide a briefing on their Supplemental Rate Case pursuant to the Golden Northwest Aluminum vs. BPA Ninth Circuit Ruling**
10:30 am
- Tim Johnson from BPA will provide this briefing.
- ITEM 7: Program Implementation Process Timeline Update**
11:00 am
- An evolved process timeline will be presented to the MAG for update and discussion.
- ITEM 8: FY 2007 – 2009 Outstanding Budget Allocations**
11:30 am
- CBFWA Staff have been working to determine the amount of difference between what projects are currently budgeted for FY 08-09 and the total amount available

to plan for the same period. This delta will then be used to determine a potential recommendation from the MAG to the Members on how to use this budget flexibility to meet critical needs across the basin. Included in this will be a consideration of the Data Management Pilot Projects identified as part of the Data Management Strategy.

12:30 pm

LUNCH

ITEM 9:

1:00 pm

Coordination Definition and CBFWA Work plan:

- Pursuant to the Colville Tribes request an alternative work plan that looks at the development and staffing of regional office(s) will be presented and discussed for consideration by the MAG.
- The Kalispel Tribe has expressed some concerns with the edits to the Management Coordination Definition approved in Polson. These concerns will be presented for consideration by the MAG for recommendation to the Members.

ITEM 10:

2:00 pm

2006 Status of the Resource (SOTR) Report Update:

- The development of the SOTR for 2006 is proceeding and is scheduled to be complete in November. The evolutions in the format of the SOTR will be reviewed to accommodate:
 - Reporting on accomplishments from a wildlife perspective.
 - A quantitative as opposed to a qualitative reporting of accomplishments.
 - The inclusion of accomplishments from a supplementation standpoint.
 - Additionally, more reliance on StreamNet's ability to provide status and trend data has occurred with this report. CBFWA staff will report on this interaction.

ITEM 11:

2:30 pm

Program Amendment Development Update

- Review NPCC call for amendments.
- Technical Committees updates.
- Review outline of an amendment package.

ITEM 12:

3:00 pm

Lamprey Technical Workgroup (LTWG) Update

- During its July 17, 2007 meeting, the MAG tasked the LTWG to "work with the Corps and other interested parties to develop lamprey passage objectives and related performance standards and measures." A subgroup of the LTWG met on September 24, 2007 to develop a preliminary product – a summary of what would be required in terms of time and effort to complete the assignment.

ITEM 13:

3:15 pm

Pacific Northwest Aquatic Monitoring Partnership Macroinvertebrate Protocol

- The PNAMP Steering Committee has recommended that the new protocol: *Methods for the collection and analysis of benthic macroinvertebrate assemblages in wadeable streams of the Pacific Northwest* be adopted and implemented by PNAMP partners.
- The purpose of this protocol is to characterize the macroinvertebrate assemblage for a stream reach as an indicator of biological integrity and stream health. It is not intended to characterize the condition of individual stream habitats or to provide data to analyze the macroinvertebrates as a food source for fish.
- Use of these procedures will allow users to share data, express their data in terms of standardized bioassessment measures, and thus directly compare their results with all other parties using these methods. Their general use does not preclude use of other sampling procedures that may be needed to address the specific objectives of individual projects.

CBFWA is a member of PNAMP; therefore, should CBFWA approve the adoption of the recommended protocol?

ITEM 14: CBFWA Data Collection Methodology Survey – Stewart Toshach

3:30 pm

***FYI:* Upcoming Meetings**

The next MAG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 20, 2007.

The next Members Teleconference is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7, 2007.

The next NPCC Meeting is November 13-14, 2007 in Coeur d'Alene, ID.