Fish and Wildlife Program Project Review Process

March 2008



Today's Discussion

 Committee recommendation to the full Council to begin the project review process
 Based on the proposed sequence and steps
 The sequence as proposed, begins in April
 First category review – wildlife projects



How we got here

- Began formulating the process one year ago
 Based on 26 years of experience in program implementation
- Largely consistent with current program language
- Largely follows recommendations of the ISRP (2006-7)
- Working group and project database



Ten Overarching Principles

- **1.** Implements Fish and Wildlife Program
- 2. Allows flexibility ESA requirements
- **3.** Reviews consistent with NW Power Act
- 4. Staggered categorical and geographic reviews
- **5.** Recognizes differences in project types

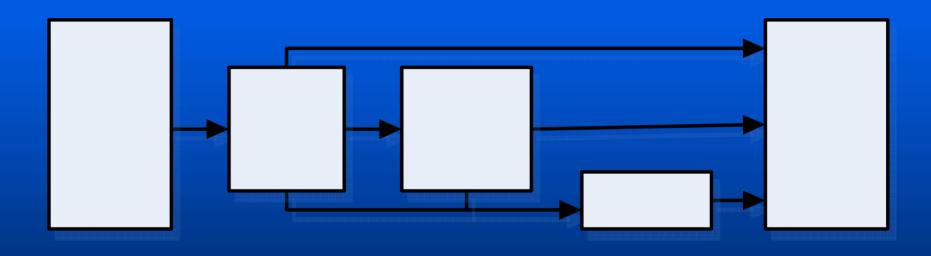


Principles, cont.

- **6.** Clear timelines, processes and expectations
- 7. Incorporates information on non-BPA funded activities
- **8. Program performance**
- **9.** Transparency and accountability
- **10. Unified recommendations and decisions**



General Flow for Future Project Reviews

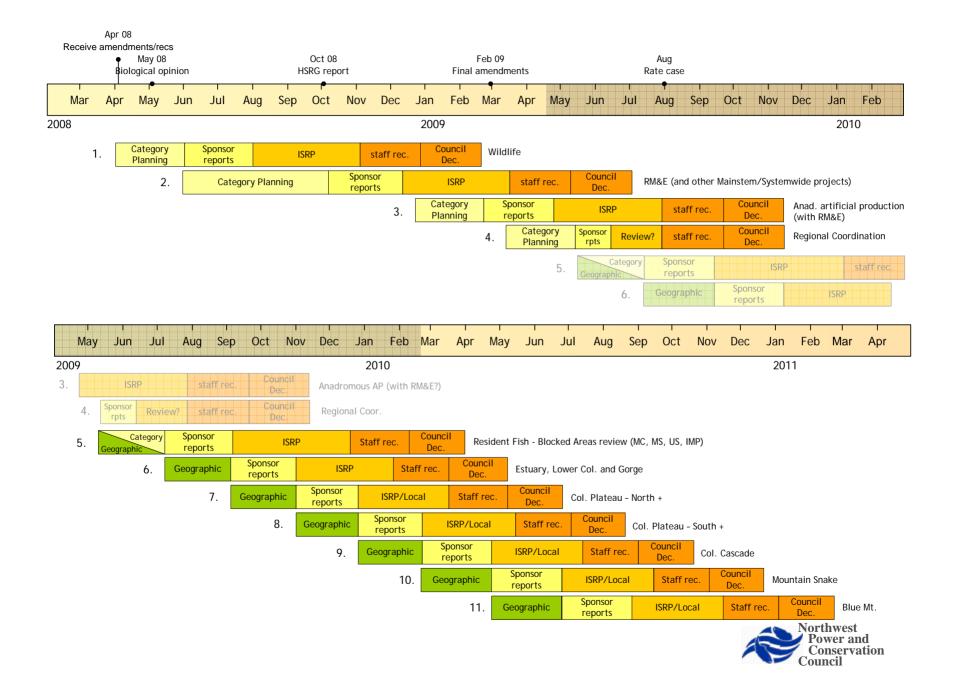




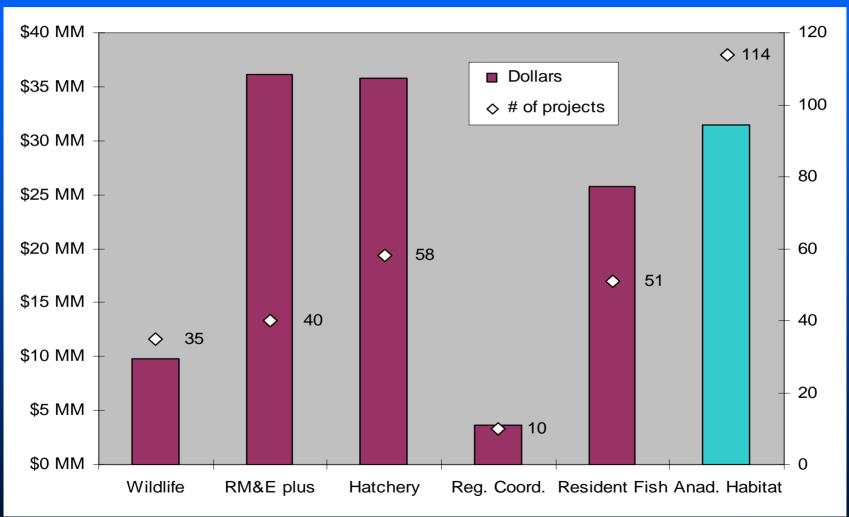
Review Units

Categorical Units		Geographic Units	
1.	Wildlife	5.	Blocked Areas
2.	Research, M&E Data		Provinces
	Management and other	б.	Estuary, Lower
	systemwide projects		Columbia and Gorge
		7.	Columbia Plateau - N
3.	Artificial Production	8.	Columbia Plateau - S
4.	Regional Coordination	9.	Columbia Cascade
5.	Resident Fish	10.	Mountain Snake
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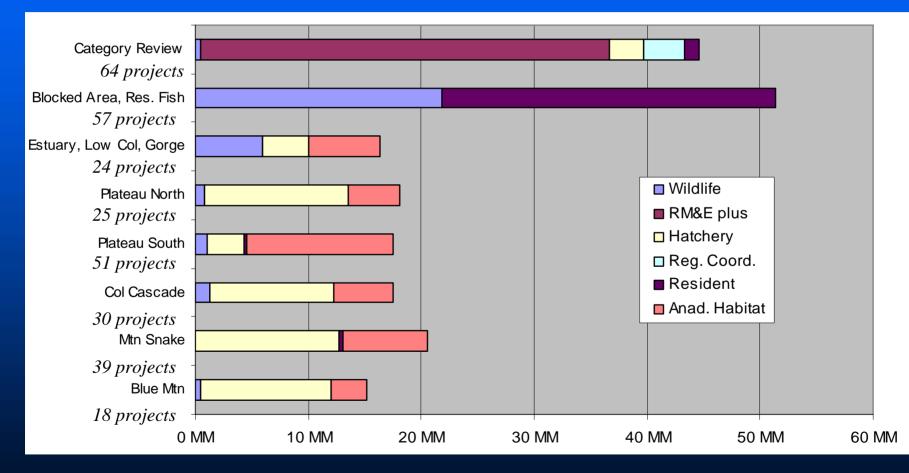


Funding and Number of Projects by Category





Funding by categorical and geographic units with number of projects in each; broken out by category (expense plus capital)

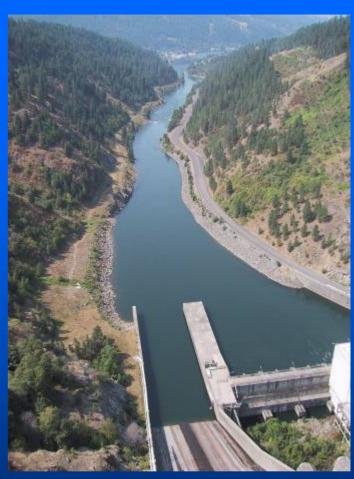














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