



# COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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**DATE:** July 20, 2009  
**TO:** Members Advisory Group  
**FROM:** Brian Lipscomb, Executive Director  
**SUBJECT:** Draft Agenda for the Monday, July 27, 2009 MAG Teleconference

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 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

**Members Advisory Group (MAG)**  
**Monday, July 27, 2009**  
**1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. PDT**  
**@ CBFWA Office Portland, OR**  
[MAG Webpage](#)

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## Draft Agenda

- ITEM 1: Introductions and Approve Agenda**
- Recommended Action:** Approve draft agenda.
- ITEM 2: June 15, 2009 MAG Draft Action Notes**
- Recommended Action:** Approve the [June 15, 2009 action notes](#) as final.
- ITEM 3: CBFWA FY09 Budget Update**
- At the July 1<sup>st</sup> Members meeting, the Members directed Brian Lipscomb to canvas the CBFWA Members for their RM&E participation needs, by July 7<sup>th</sup> and develop a CBFWA budget for FY09 using the current budget of \$1.89M, accommodating Members' RM&E participation (working within the 500K cap set by BPA) and without altering Members' meeting/travel budgets.
  - Brian completed the task as directed by the Members and on July 9<sup>th</sup>, the Members approved the anadromous fish monitoring framework work plan and adjusted FY09 AWP budget.
  - Brian Lipscomb and Kathie Titzler will provide additional information to update the MAG on the CBFWA FY09 Budget.
- ITEM 4: Members Summer Meeting July 29-30, 2009 Kalispell, Montana**
- Update on results of the Members' Subcommittee Meetings
    - Members July 29-30<sup>th</sup> Agenda
- ITEM 5: Recruitment of Regional HEP Team Coordinator Assistant**
- Volunteers for a MAG subcommittee will be requested to participate in conducting interviews and recommendation of candidates.
- ITEM 6: Northwest Power and Conservation Council July Meeting - Update**
- ITEM 7: ISAB/ISRP Tagging Report Recommendations**
- Jim Ruff, Manager, Mainstem Passage and River Operations for the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council) provided a memo the Council

Members at their June meeting on [Management Recommendations from the ISRP/ISAB's Tagging Report #2009-1](#).

- At the June meeting, the MAG directed FPAC and the CSS Oversight Committee to review the tagging report and the Council staff recommendations and to report their findings to the MAG.
- The CSS Oversight Committee provided the results of their review in [a memo dated July 10th](#) (distributed to MAG via email on July 10<sup>th</sup>) and [FPAC provided comments to Brian Lipscomb](#) (distributed to MAG via email on July 20<sup>th</sup>).
- The Northwest Power and Conservation Council (Council) is scheduled to discuss ISRP/ISAB Tagging report at their August meeting.
- If CBFWA Members want to weigh in on the deliberations to implement the recommendations from the report they will need to take action at the August 5th teleconference. The MAG will discuss the CSS committee findings to determine a recommendation for the Members.

**ITEM 8: Mitchell Act Funding**

- In January 2009, the Members assigned the MAG to work with the Fish Screening Oversight Committee (FSOC) to define what full funding would be for fish screening and establish a funding strategy for Members review.
- At the May MAG meeting, Dave Ward provided a [memo from FSOC](#) with estimates for FY 2010 full annual funding needs for Idaho, Washington, and Oregon, and Ray Hartlerode, FSOC Chair, provided a historic overview on Mitchell Act funding for screens and requested the MAG's assistance to develop strategies to seek funding. NOAA, a key participant for the discussion, was not in attendance. The MAG requested that FSOC: 1) garner additional information about what is/is not in the 2010 budget and for the longer term, and 2) advise of an appropriate contact at NOAA with specific knowledge on this subject for CBFWA staff to request a presentation to the MAG at the June meeting.
- Rob Jones of NOAA provided an update on Mitchell Act funding to the FSOC on July 23; Ray Hartlerode (FSOC Chair) and Dave Ward will provide the MAG with a summary of the information presented by Rob Jones.

**ITEM 9: Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act (FRIMA)**

- At the May MAG meeting, Dave Ward and Ray Hartlerode, FSOC Chair, provided an overview and update advising that FRIMA has been reauthorized under the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 but funding has not been allocated.
- The FSOC have provided a draft letter for MAG review and Members consideration to support the reauthorization of FRIMA and to request appropriations, (with the understanding that the NOAA and USFWS Members would have to abstain).

**Recommended Action:** Approve draft letter for Members consideration at the August 5<sup>th</sup> teleconference.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**Members Summer Face-to-Face Meeting:** July 29-30<sup>th</sup> in Kalispell, MT

**Members August Meeting:** Wed, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 1-4pm (via WebEx)

**MAG August Meeting:** Mon, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 1-4pm (via WebEx)

**Council Meeting(s):** August 11-13<sup>th</sup> in Spokane, WA, September 9-10<sup>th</sup> in Astoria, OR

**Council Columbia River Estuary Science Policy Exchange:** September 10-11<sup>th</sup> in Astoria, OR