



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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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 government 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

DATE: December 11, 2006

TO: CBFWA Members

FROM: Ron Trahan, Chairman & Brian Lipscomb, CBFWA

SUBJECT: Final Action Notes from 10/27/06 Members Meeting

Special Members Meeting
 Friday, October 27, 2006
 9:00am-12:00pm
 @
 CBFWA Office, Portland OR

The support material and reference documents for the 10/27/06 Members meeting are posted at <http://www.cbfwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=Members&meeting=all>

Final Action Notes

Attendees: Dave Statler, NPT; Brian Lipscomb, Jann Eckman, Dave Ward, Neil Ward, Tana Klum, Pat Burgess, CBFWA.

By Phone: Ron Trahan, CSKT; Lynn DuCharme, CSKT; Carl Scheeler, CTUIR; Bill Hutchinson, IDFG; Ritchie Graves, NOAA Fisheries; Tony Nigro, ODFW; Mark Bagdovitz, USFWS

Time Allocation:

Objective 1. Committee Participation	100%
Objective 2. Fish & Wildlife Regional Issues	%
Objective 3. Annual Report	%
Objective 4. RM&E	%
Objective 5. Other Business	%

ITEM 1: Introductions and Approval of Agenda

Action: Upon introductions, it was noted that a quorum was not established as no representative from the Upper Columbia River United Tribes was present. The Members agreed to proceed with the meeting agenda and in follow-up directed Brian Lipscomb to contact the UCUT's and review the actions taken by the Members in attendance at the meeting and request consent. If at least one of the UCUT Members does not consent to the actions taken by the Members today, the actions will be void. If they do consent, the actions will be effective.

Note: Actions were reviewed and approved by the Kootenai Tribe on 10/30/06 constituting the quorum requirement as stipulated in the Charter.

ITEM 2: Review the 10/4/06 Members' Meeting Draft Action Notes and approve as Final.

Action:

- Tony Nigro moved to approve 10/4/06 Members action notes as final.
- Dave Statler seconded motion. Motion passed, action approved.

ITEM 3: Northwest Power and Conservation Council Amendment Process

Discussion: Brian Lipscomb referred to the NPCC request for comments on developing biological objectives for the Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program (dated 8/22/06) posted at <http://www.nwcouncil.org/library/2006/2006-15.htm>. In the MAG meeting held on 10/24/06, the MAG reviewed a letter drafted by the technical committees. The MAG revised the letter with content paying deference to fish and wild managers'

comments should a process move forward and in support of the adoption of an adaptive management process. The revised letter is before the Members today for their comment and approval.

- Lynn DuCharme suggested that on the second page of the document, “many” be inserted before “existing subbasin plans.” The new sentence would read: “The CBFWA members are concerned that *many* existing subbasin plans do not define objectives in a consistent manner or in terms that effectively inform decisions concerning Program planning and implementation.”
- No other revisions were suggested.
- Mark Bagdovitz asked if all the Members present agreed that the F&W Program needs bio-objectives. Members present agreed that bio-objectives were needed at least at the subbasin level.

Action:

- Tony Nigro moved to approve draft letter with the change that Lynn DuCharme suggested.
- Bill Hutchinson seconded motion. Motion passed, action approved.

ITEM 4:

CBFWA Charter

At the August Members Meeting the Members reviewed, edited, and adopted a revised CBFWA Charter and directed staff to forward the revised Charter to Joe Mentor, CBFWA Attorney for his legal review. The legal review of the document included some clerical corrections that did not change the operative provision of the revised Charter; however, other provisions were recommended for consideration.

On 10/24/06, the MAG reviewed the recommended changes and approved the Charter for Members’ adoption.

Discussion:

Jann Eckman reviewed Charter revisions with the Members requesting their approval and of the Charter. Revisions to the Charter, shown within the document in bold and underline format, are within the following sections:

404(B)6 on pg 6: Members Meetings

406 on pg 8: Withdrawal by Members

501(C)(11) on pg 10: Guidelines

501(D) 4,5,6,7 on pg 10: Committee Procedures

501(D)(2) on pg 10: Committee Procedures w/“except as prescribed in Section 505(A)” added.

502(C)(2) pg 11: Committee Procedures

The Charter reviewed within the meeting is posted on the CBFWA Members page: <http://www.cbfgwa.org/committees/Meetings.cfm?CommShort=Members&meeting=all>.

Action:

- Tony Nigro moved to adopt amendments as described in the legal review and as reviewed and approved by the MAG.
- Mark Bagdovitz & Dave Statler both seconded motion.

Ritchie Graves questioned whether the 10 day notice contained within 404(B)(6) worked for the CBFWA Members. Brian Lipscomb and Tony Nigro both commented that the MAG concluded on 10/24/06 that the 10 day notice was appropriate and it provides the authority needed to hold/call the meetings.

Dave Statler cited a correction needed under 502: “A quorum of designated representatives as described in section 404(D)(5) should be “as described in section (404(B)(2).”

The motion was passed, action approved.

FYI:

Ritchie Graves, NMFS, will be attending meetings on behalf of John Palensky, NMFS, and requested that he be placed on the distribution list for all Members meetings.

ITEM 5:

NEXT Members' Meeting

- The Members' meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 11/1/06 has been cancelled.
- The next Members' meeting will be held Wednesday, December 6, 2006 at the UCUT office.