



COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

Wildlife Advisory Committee Status Report 2010-2011

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Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority's Work Plan

- Policy Directive #1
 - Participate in regional efforts to establish and apply appropriate standards, measuring techniques and metrics to provide status assessments.
- Policy Directive #3
 - Monitor and report on activities of key regional forums where policies, programs, and actions that affect fish and wildlife are planned and implemented.



Regional Habitat Evaluation Procedure (HEP) Team

- Build 3 year work plan and related justification
- Clarify “side boards” in BPA contract
- Future HEP data collection needs
- Determine out-year funding levels
- Provide contracting and funding stability





NPCC Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Reporting (MERR) Plan

Strategic Plan

Implementation Framework

Implementation Strategies

RME Data Collection





MERR Wildlife Implementation Strategy

- **Wildlife Implementation Strategy Structure**
- **Management Questions**
- **Geographic Scale and Level of Reporting**
 - **Utilization of existing project guidance**
 - **Content, structure and approach**
- **High Level Indicators (HLI) for Wildlife**
 - **Biological indicators**
 - **Existing wildlife data**
 - **Cover types, HEP data and Subbasin Plans**





NPCC Wildlife Crediting Forum

The Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NPCC) chartered a Wildlife Crediting Forum in late 2009 to examine longstanding issues with the crediting of wildlife mitigation actions implemented through the NPCC's Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program.

The Forum consisted of the wildlife co-managers and key interests in the Wildlife Program

Final Forum Report

- ❖ General consensus on best way to successfully complete mitigation for construction and inundation losses is to undertake agreement negotiations.