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TO: Resident Fish Committee (RFC)

FROM: Joe Maroney, Chair

SUBJECT: DRAFT Agenda for the December 2-4, 2003, RFC Meeting in Sandpoint, ID

Resident Fish Committee Meeting

December 2-4, 2003

Sandpoint, ID

For those that are presenting talks, housing accommodations will be available at the site of the meeting. Due to the number of speakers, we will be unable to accommodate all speakers. As a result, preference will be given to those speakers that will be present for the entire meeting. For more information regarding the housing facilities and to reserve a space, please contact Neil Ward at (503) 229-0191.

A block of 10 rooms has been reserved at The Quality Inn in Sandpoint for participants not presenting a talk or presenters that will not be staying for the entire meeting. The block of rooms is reserved under "Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife" at a rate of $55/night (standard, non-smoking). To make reservations, please call The Quality Inn at (208) 263-2111.

A map to the meeting site will be distributed with a revised agenda in November.

Tuesday, December 2, 2003

Conference Line: (503) 229-0191 ext. 7097

(1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Pacific))

Draft Agenda

ITEM 1:   **Review and Approve Agenda**
1:00 - 1:05

ITEM 2:   **Review Rescheduling/Within-year Requests (Tentative - Pending CBFWA Members**
1:05 - 1:30   **Management Group (MMG) Decision)**

                On October 27, 2003, the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) concluded their solicitation for rescheduling and within-year requests. Through this solicitation, the BPA received rescheduling requests for three resident fish projects (Projects 199502800, 199502700, and 199004400). Initial discussions regarding the process for reviewing these requests has included preliminary reviews by the CBFWA technical committees. It is expected that the MMG will make a decision regarding the role of the technical committees during their November meeting.

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ITEM 3:
1:30-1:45

Update on the 2004 Western Division American Fisheries Society (AFS) - Management of Resident Fish in the Columbia River Session

The 2004 Western Division AFS is scheduled for February 29th - March 3, 2004 in Salt Lake City. The theme of the meeting is "Native Fish Management: Policies, Politics, and Practicalities." Dave Ward will provide an update on his progress towards arranging a session titled "Management of Resident Fish in the Columbia River Basin." The focus of the session will be projects associated with the Northwest Power & Conservation Council's (NPCC) Fish and Wildlife Program and funded by the BPA. The papers that will be presented during the session include:

- *Resident Fish in the Columbia River Basin: Restoration, Enhancement, and Mitigation for Losses Associated with Hydroelectric Development and Operations*: Neil Ward

- *Kootenai River White Sturgeon Conservation Aquaculture: Past, Present, and Future:* Sue Ireland

- *Burbot on the Brink, or, Not a lot of Lota*: Vaughn Paragamian

- *Actions to Conserve Native Fish in the Upper Columbia River Basin in Montana*: Clint Muhlfeld

- *Trial and Tribulations*: *Bull trout BiOp Requirements in the FCRPS*: Mike Faler

- *Monitoring of Bull trout Populations in the Columbia Plateau Province using the EMAR Protocol*: Stephanie Gunckel

- *Non-native resident Fish in the Columbia River Basin: How habitat Directs Fisheries Management*: Joe Maroney

ITEM 4:
1:45 - 1:55

Discuss Plans for Next Year's Meetings

ITEM 5:
1:55-2:00

Project Review Background and Introductions

Through the Rolling Provincial Review, the RFC reviewed and recommended projects for funding based on the scientific soundness of the proposal and the benefits that would be realized by implementing the work. The RFC believed that the next logical step was to provide overview during the implementation of these projects. As a result, the RFC initiated a project performance review in which project sponsors presented their accomplishments as they related to the objectives that the RFC approved for funding. Neil Ward and Joe Maroney will provide an overview and expectations of participants.

ITEM 6:
2:00 - 3:00

Project 200200800: *Reconnection of Floodplain Slough Habitat to the Kootenai River* (KTOI)

ITEM 7:
3:00 - 4:00

Project 199404700: *Lake Pend Oreille Fishery Recovery Project* (IDFG)

ITEM 8:
4:00 - 5:00

Project 200200900*: Pend Oreille/Priest Exotic Fish Species Suppression and Native Fish Protection* (IDFG)

ITEM 9:
5:00 – 6:00

Project 200201000: *Acquire and Conserve High Priority Bull and Westslope Cutthroat Trout Habitat in Trestle Creek* (IDFG)

Wednesday, December 3, 2003

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9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Pacific)

ITEM 1: **9:00 - 9:05**	**Introductions and Overview**
ITEM 2: **9:05 – 10:00**	**Project 199500100**: *Kalispel Tribe Resident Fish* (KT)
ITEM 3: **10:00 – 11:00**	**Project 199700400**: *Resident Fish Stock Status above Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee Dams* (KT)
ITEM 4: **11:00 – 12:00**	**Project 200204300**: *Genetic Inventory of Bull Trout and Westslope Cutthroat Trout in the Pend Oreille Subbasin* (KT)
12:00-1:00	**Lunch**
ITEM 5: **1:00 – 2:00**	**Project 199004400:** *Implement Fisheries Enhancement Opportunities on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation* (CDAT)
ITEM 6: **2:00 – 3:00**	**Project 200103200:** *Implement Fisheries Enhancement on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation: Hangman Creek* (CDAT)
ITEM 7: **3:00 - 4:00**	**Project 199902400:** *Bull Trout Assessments in the Columbia River Gorge* (WDFW)

Thursday, December 4, 2003

Conference Line: (503) 229-0191 ext. 7097

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Pacific)

ITEM 1: **9:00 - 9:05**	**Introductions and Overview**
ITEM 2: **9:05 – 10:00**	**Project 199501100:** *Chief Joseph Kokanee Enhancement Project* (CCT)
ITEM 3: **10:00 – 11:00**	**Project 199001800:** *Evaluate Rainbow Trout/Habitat Improvements of Tributaries to Lake Roosevelt* (CCT)
ITEM 4: **11:00 – 12:00**	**Project 199404300:** *Lake Roosevelt Fisheries Evaluation Program* (STOI)
12:00 – 1:00	**Lunch**
ITEM 5: **1:00 – 2:00**	**Project 199502700:** *Develop and Implement Recovery Plan for Depressed Lake Roosevelt White Sturgeon Populations* (STOI)
ITEM 6: **2:00 – 3:00**	**Project 200102800:** *Banks Lake Fishery Evaluation* (WDFW)
ITEM 7: **3:00 - 4:00**	**Project 199502800:** *Restore Moses Lake Recreational Fishery* (WDFW)