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Upper Columbia United Tribes

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

DATE: February 4, 2010
TO: Resident Fish Advisory Committee (RFAC)
FROM: Neil Ward, CBFWA staff
SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for the February 18, 2010 RFAC Meeting

Resident Fish Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, February 18, 2010 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Pacific)

CBFWA Office
851 SW Sixth, Suite 300
Portland, OR

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Draft Agenda

ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda

ITEM 2: Approve Action Notes from the January 14, 2010, RFAC Meeting

ITEM 3: CBFWA Work Plan: Prioritization of RFAC Deliverables

On February 3, the CBFWA Members approved the CBFWA work plan for the period of April 1, 2010 – March 31, 2011. Due to the number of resident-fish-oriented deliverables that are included in the work plan, participants, during the January 14, 2010, RFAC, requested that the RFAC prioritize the deliverable and attempt to develop a draft timeline for the upcoming contract period. The RFAC will review the deliverables, prioritize them accordingly, and develop a draft timeline.

ITEM 4: Mainstem/Systemwide Categorical Review: Columbia and Snake River White Sturgeon

The Mainstem/Systemwide Categorical Review is scheduled to begin June 11, 2010. Category reviews will focus on existing projects that are largely previous commitments. Once a categorical review is complete, NPCC staff will submit to the Council funding a set of projects including budget and scope adjustments, project durations, and the results from science review. The recommendations may include funding options or alternatives based on near-term adjustments and new or different work elements. The Council and BPA expect to provide a “commitment to fund” qualify (appropriate) categorical projects for up to eight years. Included in that review will be current white sturgeon projects. Participants will discuss the preparation (review ODFW and CBFWA amendment recommendations for Columbia River white sturgeon) and timelines that should be considered prior to June 11.

ITEM 5: *Review Columbia Basin Resident Fish: Methodology to Assess Habitat and Fish Losses Resulting from Hydroelectric Development and Operations*

During the January 14, 2010, RFAC meeting, participants directed Neil Ward to compile the methodology, for assessing habitat and fish losses, into one document. Neil will present the document to the RFAC for their review and approval.

ITEM 6: **Resident Fish Losses: Development of Methodology to Assess Operational Losses**

Norm Merz (KTOI) will provide a progress report regarding the KTOI's operational loss assessment project. In addition, the RFAC will continue to discuss an appropriate methodology for assessing resident fish losses resulting from hydrosystem operations.

ITEM 7: **Next Meeting**