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DATE: September 20, 2010

TO: Resident Fish Advisory Committee (RFAC)

FROM: Neil Ward, CBFWA staff

SUBJECT: Draft Agenda for the October 5, 2010 RFAC Meeting

Resident Fish Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, October 5, 2010 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Pacific)

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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 June 22, 2010 RFAC Meeting

ITEM 3: Discuss the Chair and Vice Chair Positions

In April 2010, ODFW became the RFAC Chair. The ODFW committed to serving as the interim Chair until October 1, 2010, with the understanding that on October 1 they would provide their intentions regarding chairing the RFAC for 2010-2011. The BPT is currently serving as the interim Vice Chair. The RFAC is expected to discuss these positions and to select a Chair and Vice

Chair for 2010-2011.

ITEM 4: Columbia River Basin White Sturgeon Monitoring and Evaluation

**Implementation Strategies** 

Implementation strategies for several white sturgeon management units have been completed and submitted to the NPCC and forwarded to the ISRP for their use while reviewing white sturgeon proposals during the Categorical Review. Neil Ward and Christine Mallette will provide an update regarding the development of the remaining monitoring and evaluation implementation strategies for white sturgeon management units throughout the Columbia River Basin.

ITEM 5: Columbia River Basin Bull Trout Monitoring and Evaluation

**Implementation Strategies** 

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Neil Ward and Mike Faler will present revised plans for initiating an effort to develop implementation strategies for bull trout in the Columbia River Basin. During the June 22, 2010 RFAC meeting, Neil and Mike suggested that the Deschutes and Lower Columbia River Bull Trout Recovery Units would serve as "pilot" examples. After having completed a number of implementation strategies for white sturgeon, Neil is recommending that the RFAC consider different recovery units. Neil will suggest that RFAC consider recommending that the pilot recovery units should be those for which there are BPA-funded efforts. These strategies should be completed prior to the initiation of the Geographical Review so that the NPCC and ISRP will be able to use the documents to review proposals for existing projects.

## ITEM 6: Columbia River Basin Reservoir Fisheries Monitoring and Evaluation Implementation Strategies

Neil Ward will present a proposed timeline and associated logistics to ensure draft reservoir fisheries implementation strategies are available for use by the NPCC and ISRP during the upcoming solicitations. Efforts should be focused on waterbodies at which resident fish substitution projects are implemented (e.g., Lake Roosevelt, Lake Billy Shaw, and put-and-take ponds).

## ITEM 7: Columbia River Basin Rainbow/Redband trout and Cutthroat Trout Monitoring and Evaluation Implementation Strategies

Neil Ward will present a proposed timeline and associated logistics to ensure draft rainbow/redband trout and cutthroat trout implementation strategies are available for use by the NPCC and ISRP during the upcoming solicitations. Neil will suggest that the RFAC consider recommending that the "pilot" implementation strategies for trout populations should be those for which there are BPA-funded efforts. These strategies should be completed prior to the initiation of the Geographical Review so that the NPCC and ISRP will be able to use the documents to review proposals for existing projects.

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