



DATE: April 23, 2002
 TO: Wildlife Committee
 FROM: Carl Scheeler *Franklin R. Young*
 for
 SUBJECT: Draft Action Notes for April 18, 2002 Meeting

Wildlife Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 2002

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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**CBFWA Office Conference Room
 Portland, Oregon**

Attendees: Attendees: Anders Mikkelsen (CADT); Paul Ashley (WDFW); Robert Walker (NWPPC); Matt Berger and John Arterburn (CCT); Carl Scheeler (CTUIR); Loren A. Kronemann (NPT); Susan Barnes and Greg Sieglitz (ODFW); Maureen Smith (USFWS); Guy Dodson Sr. (SPT); Terry Luther (CTWSRO) and Frank Young (CBFWA).

By Phone: Jess Wenick (BPT) and Tracy Hames (YN)

Time	Objective 1. FY 2003 Renewal Process	%
Allocation:	Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries	50%
	Objective 3. FY 2002 Adjustments	20%

ITEM 1: Briefing on WC Presentation at Boise Council Meeting

DISCUSSION: The Crediting Subcommittee reported that the HEP presentation by Maureen Smith and Susan Barnes at the April 4, 2002 Council meeting in Boise was very successful in educating the Council members about HEP. The WC expressed their appreciation for a job well done.

ITEM 2: Develop Strategy for May Council Presentation

DISCUSSION: As a follow-up to the April Council presentation the Crediting Subcommittee will be meeting with Chairman Cassidy and Eric Bloch. The WC discussed the strategy for the May 13 Council meeting and set up a meeting May 3 in Pendleton to further develop their presentation. BPA is scheduled to present their views on crediting at this meeting.

ITEM 3: Develop Response to BPA's Letter on Wildlife Crediting

DISCUSSION: The WC deferred making a decision on responding to the BPA crediting letter until after the May 13 BPA presentation to the Council in Whitefish.

ITEM 4: Review of Middle/Upper Snake, Lower Columbia/Estuary and Columbia Cascade Provincial Project Review Results

DISCUSSION: The WC discussed the provincial review process.

ACTION: WC members are requested to review the proposals for crediting issues, appropriateness of projects for BPA funding and priority and provide their comments to Frank Young by April 26.

ITEM 5: Recommendation to Request Early Funding for Regional HEP Team Proposal

ACTION: The WC approved the request for \$100,000 in FY 2002 placeholder funds for the CBFWA contract to get an early start on implementing the Regional HEP Team this season.

ITEM 6: Denny Jones Ranch

DISCUSSION: The BPT has requested that the WC provide ideas on management alternatives for this new acquisition.

ACTION: The Oregon Wildlife Coalition will schedule a field trip to the site and give their recommendations.

ITEM 7: Date and Location for Next Meeting

The next meeting will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 22, 2002 in Spokane. The agenda will include the following crediting issues: 1) crediting on acquisitions with active grazing leases, 2) crediting against lower Snake River projects, 3) and Taylor Grazing Act impediment to retiring grazing leases on acquisitions. The agenda will also include a discussion of the Council's proposed new project selection process and how the WC can participate. Some have expressed concern over the diminished opportunity for the WC to influence project selection under the Provincial Review Process.

The June meeting will be June 19 and 20 in Portland and will include a field trip to see Willamette Valley projects.