



# COLUMBIA BASIN FISH AND WILDLIFE AUTHORITY

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Coordinating and promoting effective protection and restoration of fish, wildlife, and their habitat in the Columbia River Basin.

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Idaho Department of Fish and Game

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National Marine Fisheries Service

Nez Perce Tribe

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

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## **Coordinating Agencies**

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Upper Columbia United Tribes

Compact of the Upper Snake River Tribes

Date: May 29, 2007  
To: Wildlife Advisory Committee (WAC)  
From: Ken MacDonald, CBFWA Staff  
Subject: June 19-21, 2007 WAC Meeting Logistics

The June WAC meeting will be held in Enterprise, Oregon on June 19-21. A formal agenda will be sent a week prior to the meeting but I wanted to send this information now so people can start making their reservations. The primary reason for meeting in Enterprise is to provide the WAC an opportunity to tour The Nature Conservancy's Zumwalt project and the Nez Perce Tribe's Precious Lands project. We will also visit the ODFW Sharp-tailed Grouse Leap Area.

The June 19 meeting will be for the WAC sub-group working on program amendment language, primarily drafting our white papers for Wildlife O&M, Monitoring and Evaluation, Crediting, and Biological Objectives (moving from HEP to ecological objectives). This meeting is in response to the input received at the Boise Member's Advisory Group Meeting. Although those WAC members present at the Boise meeting are requested to be present June 19 all WAC members are welcome and encouraged to participate. The June 19 meeting will be at the U.S. Forest Service ranger district office in Enterprise starting at 8:00 AM.

The full WAC meeting June 20 will also begin at 8:00 AM at the Forest Service office. The office portion of the meeting will focus review of the white papers prepared June 19 and further discussion about WAC input to the program amendments. The office meeting will end by 11:00 AM in order to prepare for the field portion of the meeting. For accommodations, the evening of June 18 and 19 there are two suggested places to stay, the Ponderosa Motel (541-426-3186) or the Best Western Rama Inn and Suites (541-426-2000). The Ponderosa is in town within walking distance of restaurants. The Best Western is a little out of town but adjacent to the Forest Service office.

At the close of the office portion of the meeting June 20 we will break so people can buy a pack lunch and food for dinner the night of the 20<sup>th</sup>. We will reconvene at 12:00 PM to travel to Zumwalt property and to tour adjacent ODFW Sharp-tailed Grouse project. After touring Zumwalt and the ODFW project, we will drive to Coyote Campground for the night. The campground is primitive, pit toilets but no water. People will need to bring water and food for dinner plus whatever camping supplies they want. The Nez Perce Tribe will provide food for a "continental breakfast" and to make a lunch on June 21.

The Zumwalt and Coyote Campground are accessible by good gravel roads however high clearance vehicles are needed to access Precious Lands. The Nez Perce tribe will provide two vehicles. If anyone else can bring a high clearance vehicle it would be appreciated. In order to keep the number of vehicles to a minimum for the Zumwalt and travel to Coyote Campground, I will see if there is an option to leave vehicles in Enterprise.

Hope you all can make the trip. It will provide a good forum to learn about other projects and share information as well as prepare for program amendments. If you plan to attend please RSVP to me the dates you plan on attending so we can have enough food available for breakfast and lunch the 21<sup>st</sup>. Also would you please tell me if you can bring a high clearance vehicle. Contact me at 503-229-0191 or [ken.macdonald@cbfwa.org](mailto:ken.macdonald@cbfwa.org).