

Memorandum

To: Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island HCPs
Hatchery Committees

Date: January 22, 2018

From: Sarah Montgomery

cc: Tracy Hillman, Chair

Re: Final Action Items Summary from the January 17, 2018, HCP-HC Meeting

The Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island Hydroelectric Projects Habitat Conservation Plans (HCPs) Hatchery Committees meeting was held at the Grant PUD office in Wenatchee, Washington, on Wednesday, January 17, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The action items include the following:

Action Item Summary

- Andrew Murdoch (WDFW) will write an overview of proposed expanded sampling at the off-ladder fish trap (OLAFT) at Priest Rapids Dam (Item I-A). *(Note: this item is ongoing.)*
- Mike Tonseth will coordinate with Todd Seamons (WDFW) to produce an outline or recommended approach for genetic monitoring (Item I-A). *(Note: this item is ongoing.)*
- Sarah Montgomery will distribute the approved Chelan PUD Coho Obligation SOA to the Hatchery Committees (Item II-A). *(Note: Montgomery distributed the SOA on January 22, 2018.)*
- Tom Kahler will send Douglas PUD's 2018 Wells HCP Action Plan to the Hatchery Committees for review (Item IV-A).
- The Methow Basin Steelhead Small Working Group will revise their memo, "Alternatives for Methow Basin conservation steelhead programs," to incorporate backup broodstock collection locations for Twisp River steelhead, and will distribute a revised version for review (Item IV-C).
- Mike Tonseth will coordinate with Todd Seamons (WDFW) regarding reviewing the memo, "Alternatives for Methow Basin conservation steelhead programs," before the February 21, 2018, Hatchery Committees meeting (Item IV-C).
- Brett Farman will coordinate with Craig Busack (NMFS) regarding reviewing the memo, "Alternatives for Methow Basin conservation steelhead programs," before the February 21, 2018, Hatchery Committees meeting (Item IV-C).
- Mike Tonseth and Sarah Montgomery will compile permits and BiOps applicable to HCP programs and post them to the Extranet site (Item VI-A).
- Hatchery Committees representatives will continue to provide historical information to Tracy Hillman for incorporation in program and species timelines, particularly regarding Wenatchee steelhead, Methow steelhead, and Methow summer Chinook (Item VI-C).

- Sarah Montgomery will poll the Hatchery Committees and PRCC Hatchery Sub-Committee to determine the March meeting date (Item VII-A).

Decision Summary

- The Rocky Reach and Rock Island Hatchery Committees approved Chelan PUD's SOA "Regarding District's Coho Obligation" as follows: Chelan PUD, WDFW, USFWS, NMFS, YN and CCT approved on January 17, 2018 (Item II-A). *(Note: Montgomery distributed the Final SOA to the Hatchery Committees on January 22, 2018.)*
- The Rocky Reach and Rock Island Hatchery Committees approved the hatchery portion of the 2018 Rock Island and Rocky Reach HCP Action Plan, as follows: Chelan PUD, WDFW, USFWS, NMFS, YN and CCT approved on January 17, 2018 (Item II-C).
- The Wells Hatchery Committee approved piloting Alternative 3 in the memo, "Alternatives for Methow Basin conservation steelhead programs," for broodstock collection and management of the Twisp steelhead program in 2018, as follows: Douglas PUD, WDFW, USFWS, NMFS, YN and CCT approved on January 17, 2018 (Item IV-C).

Agreements

- The Hatchery Committees approved Chelan PUD's request to collect 4 female and 4 male surplus steelhead broodstock from the Wells FH volunteer channel to support their egg-to-emergence evaluation in 2018 (Item II-B).
- The Rocky Reach and Rock Island Hatchery Committees approved Chelan PUD's request to move approximately 25,000 hatchery-by-hatchery steelhead from the "ELISA" Pond to Raceway #2 at the Chiwawa Acclimation Facility (Item II-D).
- The Rocky Reach and Rock Island Hatchery Committees agreed to cull part of the BY 2017 Chelan Falls summer Chinook salmon program to manage disease concerns. The progeny of hatchery females with ELISA values over 0.12 will be culled, approximately 35,000 eyed-eggs (Item III-E).

Review Items

- Sarah Montgomery sent an email to the Wells Hatchery Committee on January 22, 2018 notifying them that the draft 2018 Wells HCP Action Plan is available for review, with comments due to Tom Kahler prior to the February 21, 2018 Hatchery Committees meeting.

Finalized Documents

- Sarah Montgomery sent an email to the Rocky Reach and Rock Island Hatchery Committees on January 22, 2018 notifying them that the Final SOA, "Regarding District's Coho Obligation," is now available for download from the Hatchery Committees Extranet site.