

Memorandum

To: Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island HCP
Coordinating Committees

Date: September 27, 2022

From: John Ferguson, HCP Coordinating Committees Chairman

cc: Kristi Geris, HCP Coordinating Committees Support

Re: Final Action Items of the September 27, 2022, HCP Coordinating Committees Meeting

This memorandum provides a summary of action items, decisions, agreements, and documents for review as discussed during the Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island Hydroelectric Projects Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Coordinating Committees meeting, which met in person at the Wanapum Dam Hydro Office Building in Beverly, Washington, on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Attendees are listed in Attachment A to this memorandum.

Action Item Summary

1. Chelan PUD will continue providing Rocky Reach Dam and Rock Island Dam turbine unit maintenance updates as information becomes available (Item I-C).
2. Chelan PUD will verify dates and times the Rock Island Adult Ladder Tailrace Entrance (TRE) was closed while calculating adult conversion rates for the 2021 Rock Island Dam Confirmation Survival Study (Item I-C).
3. Chelan PUD will provide a synopsis of the engineering options considered to meet the minimum 1.0-foot head differential target at all four entrances at the Rock Island Dam Right Bank Adult Fishway during high spring flows in the Columbia River (Item I-C).
4. Chelan PUD will compile and distribute available historical fish ladder count data for the month of December at Rocky Reach Dam, with regard to Chelan PUD's request to begin the 2022/2023 adult fishway winter maintenance outage at Rocky Reach Dam on December 1, 2022 (1 month earlier than usual), to allow more time to complete required ladder repair work (Item IV-A).
5. Chelan PUD will request approval to begin the 2022/2023 adult fishway winter maintenance outage at Rocky Reach Dam on December 1, 2022, during the HCP Coordinating Committees meeting on October 25, 2022 (Item IV-A).
6. Chelan PUD will review how project operations at Rocky Reach Dam in 2022 compares to previous years, with regard to the volatility in the 2022 Rocky Reach Juvenile Fish Bypass subyearling daily index counts (Item IV-B).
7. Chelan PUD will request approval of the *Chelan PUD Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCPs Draft 2022 Fish Spill Report* (2022 Rock Island and Rocky Reach Fish Spill Report) during the HCP Coordinating Committees meeting on October 25, 2022 (Item IV-B).

8. The HCP Coordinating Committees meeting on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, will be held from 12:00 p.m. to no later than 4:00 p.m., in person at Douglas PUD in East Wenatchee, Washington (Item V-A).
9. Anchor QEA will confirm with Bryan Nordlund (Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee [PRCC] Facilitator) the proposed HCP Coordinating Committees meetings on November 15 and December 16, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., to be held via conference call, with the PRCC meetings to follow; and once confirmed, will verify these dates and times work for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CTCR) representative. The schedule adjustments are to accommodate the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays (Item V-A).

Decision Summary

1. There were no HCP Decision Items approved during today's meeting.

Agreements

1. There were no HCP Agreements discussed during today's meeting.

Review Items

1. HCP Plan Species comments received during the Rock Island relicensing process were provided by Chelan PUD and distributed to the HCP Coordinating Committees by Kristi Geris on May 24, 2022. The YN's categorization of YN comments were distributed on July 25, 2022.
2. Wells Project Land-Use Permit Application for LUP 1134-01 was distributed to the Wells HCP Coordinating Committee by Kristi Geris on August 31, 2022, and is available for a 30-day review with comments due to Tom Kahler by Friday, September 30, 2022 (Item III-A).
3. Wells Project Land-Use Permit Application for LUP 86-01 was distributed to the Wells HCP Coordinating Committee by Kristi Geris on September 12, 2022, and is available for a 30-day review with comments due to Tom Kahler by Wednesday, October 12, 2022 (Item III-A).
4. The draft 2022 Rock Island and Rocky Reach Fish Spill Report was distributed to the Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP Coordinating Committees by Kristi Geris on September 22, 2022, and is available for review with comments due to Lance Keller by Monday, October 24, 2022 (Item IV-B).

Finalized Documents

1. There are no documents that have been recently finalized.

Attachment A
List of Attendees

Name	Organization
John Ferguson	Anchor QEA, LLC
Kristi Geris	Anchor QEA, LLC
Tracy Hillman ^{††}	BioAnalysts
Lance Keller [*]	Chelan PUD
Tom Kahler [*]	Douglas PUD
Andrew Gingerich [*]	Douglas PUD
Scott Carlon ^{*†}	National Marine Fisheries Service
Jim Craig ^{*†}	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Chad Jackson ^{*†}	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Andrew Murdoch ^{*†}	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Keely Murdoch [*]	Yakama Nation

Notes:

- * Denotes HCP Coordinating Committees member or alternate
- † Joined by phone
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