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Memorandum

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

Date: January 28, 2026

From: Tracy Hillman, HCP Coordinating Committees Chair

cc: Kristi Geris, HCP Coordinating Committees Support

Re: Final Action Items of the January 27, 2026, HCP Coordinating Committees Conference Call

This memorandum provides a summary of action items, decisions, agreements, and documents for review as discussed during the Hydroelectric Projects Habitat Conservation Plan Coordinating Committees (HCP-CCs) meeting, which met virtually by Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Attendees are listed in Attachment A to this memorandum.

Action Item Summary

1. Douglas PUD will share the Wells Dam Spillway 2 Flap Gate Passive Integrated Transponder (PIT) Detection design concept once it is available (Item I-C).
2. Chelan PUD will review past Fish Passage Center (FPC) Annual Reports for references to the radio telemetry (RT) studies that support guidance on how to best manage head differentials and transport channel velocities during high river flows at the four entrances to the Rock Island Dam Right Bank Adult Fishway (Item I-C).
3. Chelan PUD will confirm with Spheros Environmental (Spheros)[1] details about the calculated collection efficiency for the Rock Island Juvenile Fish Bypass Trap (RIJFBT) associated with Powerhouse 2, as presented during today's meeting, including what model and inputs were used, and notably how to interpret the temperature data (Item IV-A).
4. Chelan PUD will distribute a draft statement of agreement (SOA) memorializing: 1) the new March 15 to August 31 juvenile bypass period for Rock Island Dam; 2) completion of the 10-year requirement to review that bypass operations are adequately protecting 95% of the spring and summer migrations of juvenile Plan Species; and 3) the juvenile bypass operational period will be evaluated again in ten years (2034), per Section 5.4.1. of the Rock Island HCP (Item IV-A).
5. Chelan PUD will distribute the draft Rock Island and Rocky Reach Dams 2025 Juvenile Bypass Reports, 2026 Fish Spill Plan, and 2026 Juvenile Bypass Protocols; and will communicate a proposed document approval schedule[2] in the correspondence (Item IV-B).

[1] Formerly Four Peaks Environmental Science and Data Solutions.
[2] Including the draft *2026 Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP Action Plan*, which was already distributed on January 27, 2026.

6. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CTCR) will coordinate their respective votes on the several Decision Items planned for next month's HCP-CCs meeting, ahead of their absence (Item VII-B).
7. The next scheduled HCP-CCs meeting is on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and will be held virtually by Microsoft Teams conference call. The next joint session (Joint Session 14) with the Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee (PRCC) to discuss subyearlings will be held this same day (schedule to be determined) (Item VIII-B).

Decision Summary

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

Agreements

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

Review Items

1. The draft *2026 Total Dissolved Gas Abatement Plan* and appended *Wells Bypass Operating Plan* (2026 GAP/BOP) and associated draft *Statement of Agreement* were distributed to the Wells HCP-CC by Kristi Geris on January 23, 2026 (Item V-A).
2. The draft *2026 Wells HCP Action Plan* was distributed to the Wells HCP-CC by Kristi Geris before the HCP-CCs meeting on January 27, and an updated draft (version 2) was distributed after the meeting on January 27, 2026 (Item V-B).
3. The draft *2026 Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP Action Plan* was distributed to the Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP-CCs by Kristi Geris after the HCP-CCs meeting on January 27, 2026 (Item IV-C).

Finalized Documents

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

Attachment A
List of Attendees

Name	Organization
Tracy Hillman	BioAnalysts
Kristi Geris	Anchor QEA
Lance Keller*	Chelan PUD
Catherine Willard*	Chelan PUD
Bill Towey	Chelan PUD
Tom Kahler*	Douglas PUD
Andrew Gingerich*	Douglas PUD
John Rohrback	Douglas PUD
Scott Carlon*	National Marine Fisheries Service
Bill Gale*	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
Kirk Truscott*	Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Notes:
* Denotes HCP-CC representative or alternate.