

FINAL MEMORANDUM

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

From: John Ferguson, HCP Coordinating Committees
Chairman

Cc: Kristi Geris

Re: Final Action Items and Agreement Summary from the January 26, 2016, HCP-CC
Meeting

This memorandum provides a summary of action items, decisions, and documents out for review as agreed on at the Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island Hydroelectric Projects Habitat Conservation Plans (HCPs) Coordinating Committees meeting that met at the Radisson Gateway Hotel, in SeaTac, Washington, on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. Attendees are listed in Attachment A. These action items include the following:

ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

- Douglas PUD will revise the Sub-yearling Chinook Salmon Life-history Study dates in the draft 2016 Wells HCP Action Plan, as discussed, and will provide the final plan to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees (Item III-A). (*Note: Tom Kahler revised the plan, as discussed, and provided the final plan to Geris on January 27, 2016, which Geris distributed to the Coordinating Committees that same day.*)
 - Douglas PUD will revise the historical flows language in the Draft 2016 Wells Dam Gas Abatement Plan (GAP) and Bypass Operating Plan (BOP), as discussed, and will provide the final plan, when available, to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees (Item III-B).
 - Douglas PUD will provide photographs of the lamprey entrance boxes installed in the low-level entrances at Wells Dam to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees (Item III-C).
 - Chelan PUD will discuss with Dr. John Skalski (Columbia Basin Research) possibly adjusting the Data Access in Real Time (DART) database outputs to better capture the
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early portion (prior to June 1) of the annual subyearling Chinook salmon counts at the Rock Island Bypass (Item IV-A).

- Chelan PUD will add expected dates to receive Hatchery and Genetic Management Plan (HGMP) permits from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to the Draft 2016 Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP Action Plans, as discussed, and will provide the revised draft plans to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees. Chelan PUD will request approval of the revised draft plans during the Coordinating Committees meeting on February 23, 2016 (Item III-B).
 - Chelan PUD will develop a trip report regarding progress on the refurbishing of the Rock Island Dam right fish ladder sluice gate, RO4, following a site visit to the contractor's facilities in Massachusetts, and will provide the report to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees (Item III-C).
 - Chelan PUD will summarize potential operations scenarios for the Rock Island Dam right fish ladder operating with a bulkhead installed in place of the sluice gate, RO4, including potential effects on salmonid passage past the dam, and will provide the summary to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees (Item III-C).
 - Chelan PUD will provide weekly reports on the progress of repairing and installing the Rock Island Dam right fish ladder sluice gate, RO4, to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Coordinating Committees (Item III-C).
 - Chelan PUD will notify the Coordinating Committees when the last denial structure is removed from the Rock Island Dam fishways (Item III-D).
 - John Ferguson will discuss with Denny Rohr (Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee [PRCC] Facilitator) possibly holding both the PRCC and Coordinating Committees June 2016 meetings on June 21, 2016, and holding the 2016 Subyearling Chinook Salmon Workshop the next day on June 22, 2016 (Item V-A). (*Note: Ferguson discussed the topic with Rohr following the Coordinating Committees meeting on January 26, 2016.*)
 - John Ferguson will communicate developing details about the 2016 Subyearling Chinook Salmon Workshop to the Coordinating Committees during the monthly Coordinating Committees meetings (Item V-A).
 - Kristi Geris will contact Julene McGregor (Douglas PUD Information System Staff) to
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request member access to the HCP Hatchery Committees Extranet site for Deanne Pavlik-Kunkel (Grant PUD), as approved by the Coordinating Committees, and will and coordinate with Sarah Montgomery (HCP Hatchery Committees support staff) about adding Pavlik-Kunkel to the requested HCP Hatchery Committees email distribution lists (Item V-A). *(Note: Geris contacted McGregor and Montgomery following the Coordinating Committees meeting on January 26, 2016, about getting Pavlik-Kunkel Extranet access and on the distribution lists.)*

- **The Coordinating Committees meeting on February 23, 2016, will be held in-person at the Radisson Hotel in SeaTac, Washington (Item VI-C).**

DECISION SUMMARY

- The Wells HCP Coordinating Committee representatives present approved the 2016 Wells HCP Action Plan, as revised (Item III-A).
- The Wells HCP Coordinating Committee representatives present approved the 2016 Wells Dam GAP and BOP, as revised (Item III-B).
- The Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP Coordinating Committees representatives present approved the 2015 Rocky Reach and Rock Island Spill Report, as revised (Item IV-A).

AGREEMENTS

- The Rock Island HCP Coordinating Committee representatives present agreed to extend the 2015/2016 winter maintenance work period at Rock Island Dam by 15 days to allow more time to complete required work, contingent on Chelan PUD providing weekly reports on the progress of repairs. Rather than the typical March 1 completion date, the Rock Island fish ladder will be fully operational by March 15, 2016 (Item III-C).
 - Coordinating Committees representatives present agreed to reschedule the Coordinating Committees meeting on June 28 to June 21, 2016, to accommodate the 2016 Subyearling Chinook Salmon Workshop (Item V-A).
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- Coordinating Committees representatives present agreed to provide Deanne Pavlik-Kunkel member access to the HCP Hatchery Committees Extranet site, and add Pavlik-Kunkel to the requested HCP Hatchery Committees email distribution lists (Item VI-A).

REVIEW ITEMS

- Kristi Geris sent an email to the Coordinating Committees on January 22, 2016, notifying them that the Draft 2016 Rocky Reach and Rock Island HCP Action Plans were available for review. Chelan PUD will request approval of the draft plans during the Coordinating Committees meeting on February 23, 2016 (Item IV-B).

FINALIZED DOCUMENTS

- The Final 2016 Wells HCP Action Plan, which was approved by the Wells HCP Coordinating Committee on January 26, 2016, was distributed to the Coordinating Committees by Kristi Geris on January 27, 2016 (Item III-A).
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Attachment A
List of Attendees

| Name | Organization |
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| John Ferguson | Anchor QEA, LLC |
| Kristi Geris | Anchor QEA, LLC |
| Tracy Hillman†† | BioAnalysts |
| Lance Keller* | Chelan PUD |
| Alene Underwood††† | Chelan PUD |
| Tom Kahler* | Douglas PUD |
| Scott Carlon* | National Marine Fisheries Service |
| Jim Craig* | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |
| Jeff Korth* | Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife |
| Bob Rose* | Yakama Nation |
| Kirk Truscott*† | Colville Confederated Tribes |

Notes:

- * Denotes Coordinating Committees member or alternate
 - † Joined by phone
 - †† Joined by phone for the HCP Tributary and Hatchery Committees Update
 - ††† Joined by phone for the Chelan PUD agenda items
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