

## FINAL MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island HCP Hatchery Committees  
**Date:** July 21, 2014

**From:** Kristi Geris

**Cc:** Michael Schiewe, Chair

**Re:** Final Action Items Summary from the July 16, 2014, HCP-HC Meeting

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This memorandum provides a summary of Action Items from the Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island Dams Habitat Conservation Plans (HCP) Hatchery Committees' meeting that was held at Douglas PUD headquarters in East Wenatchee, Washington, on Wednesday, July 16, 2014, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm. The action items include the following:

### ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

- Chelan PUD will provide a final report on the water recirculation pilot studies at Eastbank Fish Hatchery and Chiwawa Fish Hatchery to the Hatchery Committees by September 2014 (Item I).
- Alene Underwood will coordinate with Steve Lewis (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service [USFWS]) and arrange for Lewis to discuss how incidental take is assigned by USFWS during the next Hatchery Committees meeting on August 20, 2014 (Item I).
- Hatchery Committees representatives will submit comments on the sample size section in the memo clarifying standardized methods for Hatchery Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Plan Objective 8.3, Fecundity at Size, to Mike Tonseth (Item I).
- The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) will add a revised summary table to the draft 2014 Wenatchee Basin Steelhead Release Proposal, and will redistribute the final revised draft to the Hatchery Committees (Item I).
- The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) will develop a draft Statement of Agreement (SOA) that requires Hatchery Committees approval of the annual Broodstock Collection Protocols before submission to NMFS, and will distribute the draft SOA to the Hatchery Committees by August 2014 (Item I).
- Chelan PUD will provide their draft 2015 Hatchery M&E Annual Implementation Plan to the Hatchery Committees for review 10 days prior to the Hatchery Committees meeting on August 20, 2014 (Item I).

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- Chelan PUD will develop a draft SOA that acknowledges partial fulfillment of Hatchery M&E Plan Objective 10, and also includes the qualifications of this partial fulfillment, as discussed during today's Hatchery Committees meeting (Item II-C).
  - WDFW will provide NMFS' approval to modify trapping operations at Tumwater Dam from 3 days per week, 16 hours per day, and not exceeding 48 hours per week, to 7 days per week, 10 hours per day, and not exceeding 48 hours per week (i.e., "modified Tumwater Dam operations") to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Hatchery Committees (Item IV-B).
  - WDFW will obtain USFWS approval of the modified Tumwater Dam operations no later than Thursday, July 17, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., and will provide USFWS' approval to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Hatchery Committees (Item IV-B).
  - WDFW will re-evaluate the modified Tumwater Dam operations and will provide a recommendation for a path forward to Kristi Geris for distribution to the Hatchery Committees no later than Monday, July 21, 2014, at 12:00 p.m. (Item IV-B).

## **DECISION SUMMARY**

- The Wells Hatchery Committee representatives present approved the Statement of Agreement (SOA) approving Grant PUD use of excess production capacity at Douglas PUD facilities through 2023 to produce steelhead and spring Chinook salmon (Item II-A).

## **AGREEMENTS**

- The Hatchery Committees representatives present agreed to continue the modified Tumwater Dam operations through Monday, July 21, 2014, pending USFWS approval on Thursday, July 17, 2014 (Item IV-B).

## **REVIEW ITEMS**

- Kristi Geris distributed a memo to the Hatchery Committees on February 24, 2014, that clarified standardized methods for Hatchery M&E Plan Objective 8.3, Fecundity at Size. Comments on this memo, with regards to sample size, are due to Mike Tonseth (Item I).

## **FINALIZED DOCUMENTS**

- There are no documents that have been recently finalized.