

FINAL MEMORANDUM

To: Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island HCP Hatchery Committees
Date: October 16, 2014

From: Kristi Geris

Cc: Michael Schiewe, Chair

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

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 the Chelan PUD Fish and Wildlife Building in Wenatchee, Washington, on Wednesday, October 15, 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 Facility to the Hatchery Committees by December 2014 (Item I).
- Mike Tonseth will provide a revised memo clarifying standardized methods for Hatchery Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Plan Objective 8.3, Fecundity at Size, to the Hatchery Committees for review by December 2014 (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 by December 2014 (Item I).
- Douglas PUD will revise the HCP Hatchery Committees Chair Qualifications document to consistently identify and emphasize all duties of the position (Item II-B).
- Hatchery Committees representatives will: 1) contact qualified HCP Hatchery Committees Chair candidates to gauge interest in the position; 2) have interested candidates contact Mike Schiewe to discuss the position, as needed; and 3) obtain a résumé or curriculum vitae (CV) from interested candidates, and provide those documents to Alene Underwood, Greg Mackey, and Tom Kahler by Friday, October 31, 2014 (Item II-B).

- The Yakama Nation (YN) will prepare a proposal for 2016 expanded acclimation in the Methow, including an explanation of pond operations, tagging, M&E, fisheries objectives, and adult management, to present during the Hatchery Committees meeting on November 19, 2014 (Item VI-A).

DECISION SUMMARY

- There were no decisions approved during today's meeting.

AGREEMENTS

- Hatchery Committees representatives present agreed that, regarding Methow River conditions and implications for populations and hatchery program management, to default to Hatchery Manager recommendations regarding appropriate actions for releasing fish, as per usual; with the recommendation to conduct periodic fish health evaluations on fish held in potentially impacted holding ponds, and once available, review of the Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) report on the effects of the Carlton Complex Fire (Item II-A).

REVIEW ITEMS

- Kristi Geris sent an email to the Hatchery Committees on September 4, 2014, notifying them that the draft Douglas PUD 2013 Hatchery M&E Annual Report is available for download from the HCP Hatchery Committees Extranet Site. This draft report is available for a 60-day review period with comments due to Greg Mackey no later than Monday, November 3, 2014.
- Kristi Geris sent an email to the Hatchery Committees on September 24, 2014, notifying them that the draft 2015 Douglas PUD Hatchery M&E Implementation Plan is available for download from the HCP Hatchery Committees Extranet Site. This draft report is available for a 60-day review period with comments due to Greg Mackey no later than November 24, 2014.
- Kristi Geris sent an email to the Hatchery Committees on October 14, 2014, notifying them that the draft Broodstock Collection Protocols template is available for review. Comments on the draft template are due to Mike Tonseth by October 31, 2014 (Item III-A).

FINALIZED DOCUMENTS

- The final Non-Target Taxa of Concern (NTTOC) Statement of Agreement (SOA) that was approved by the Hatchery Committees on September 17, 2014, was distributed to the Hatchery Committees by Kristi Geris on October 14, 2014.