

FINAL MEMORANDUM

To: Wells, Rocky Reach, and Rock Island HCP Hatchery Committees
Date: July 15, 2015

From: Sarah Montgomery

Cc: Tracy Hillman, Chair

Re: Final Action Items Summary from the July 15, 2015, 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 Douglas PUD headquarters in East Wenatchee, Washington, on Wednesday, July 15, 2015, from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. The action items include the following:

ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

- Kristi Geris will follow up with Craig Busack to confirm edits to statements made by Busack, as reflected in the revised draft Hatchery Committees June 17, 2015 meeting minutes (Item I-A). (*Note: Busack confirmed the edits via email on July 16, 2015, which Geris distributed to the Hatchery Committees that same day.*)
- Mike Tonseth will coordinate with Craig Busack on the Hatchery Committees' decision regarding the fate of excess brood year (BY) 2014 Methow spring Chinook salmon currently being held at Eastbank Fish Hatchery (FH) and Methow FH (Item II-A).
- Sarah Montgomery will ask Craig Busack if he approves the Wells Hatchery Committee agreement regarding Douglas PUD's proposed Hatchery Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Annual Report schedule (Item III-B).
- Douglas PUD will provide their draft 2014 Douglas PUD Hatchery M&E Report to Sarah Montgomery by August 1, 2015, which Montgomery will distribute to the Hatchery Committees for review (Item III-B).
- Because no suitable meeting date was found in July, Sarah Montgomery will distribute a Doodle Poll to reconvene the Hatchery Evaluation Technical Team (HETT) in August 2015 (Item IV-A). (*Note: Montgomery distributed a poll on July 16, 2015.*)

DECISION SUMMARY

- The Hatchery Committees representatives present approved the following for excess BY 2014 Methow spring Chinook salmon currently being held at Eastbank FH and Methow FH: 1) transfer 29,755 fish (HxH or HxW) to Winthrop National Fish Hatchery (NFH) to be incorporated into the Winthrop NFH Safety Net Program; and 2) transfer remaining excess brood (~26,000 WxW) to Methow FH for release from Methow FH or satellite locations (Item II-A).

AGREEMENTS

- The Wells Hatchery Committee representatives present agreed to Douglas PUD's proposed Hatchery M&E Annual Report schedule to provide the Hatchery Committees with a draft Hatchery M&E Annual Report for a 30-day review by August 1, with the final report due to NMFS by October 1 (Item III-B).

REVIEW ITEMS

- Kristi Geris sent an email to the Hatchery Committees on July 1, 2015, notifying them that the draft 2016 Douglas PUD Hatchery M&E Implementation Plan is available for a 60-day review period, with edits and comments due to Greg Mackey by Sunday, August 30, 2015 (Item III-A).

FINALIZED DOCUMENTS

- There are no documents that have been recently finalized.