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DATE: February 6, 2012
TO: Fish Screening Oversight Committee
FROM: Dave Ward, HDR Engineering, Inc.
SUBJECT: January 26, 2012 FSOC Teleconference Draft Action Notes

FSOC Teleconference
 January 26, 2012
 8:30 AM
 Portland, OR

Draft Action Notes

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| Attendees: | Dave Ward (HDR), Neil Ward (CBFWA) | |
| By Phone: | Jody Brostrom (USFWS), Bryan Nordlund (NMFS), Jamie Swan (BPA), Alan Ritchey (ODFW), Ken Loffink (ODFW), Pat Schille (WDFW), Bruce Heiner (WDFW), Dan Shively (USFWS), Mark Lere (MDFWP), Sean Welch (BPA). | |
| Time Allocation: | Objectives 1. Committee Participation Objectives 2. Technical Review Objectives 3. Presentation | 100% 0% 0% |
| ITEM 1: | Introductions | |
| ITEM 2: | Approve Agenda | |
| Discussion: | The agenda was approved as provided, although one agenda item was subsequently added. | |
| ITEM 3: | Approve Action Notes | |
| Discussion: | Action notes from the October 27, 2012 FSOC teleconference were approved. | |
| ITEM 4: | FSOC Future | |
| Discussion: | <p>Dave Ward informed attendees of the plan for FSOC operations over the next year. Through March 2013, FSOC will continue to operate under its and CBFWA's charters. The status of CBFWA's funding dictates that existing CBFWA staff will facilitate FSOC. Therefore, effective April 1, 2012, Neil Ward will take over the role of committee facilitator.</p> <p>FSOC status and operation beyond March 2013 will be determined during the coming year.</p> <p>FSOC members wished Dave Ward well and welcomed Neil Ward as the new facilitator.</p> | |

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| ITEM 5: | Criteria for Upstream Juvenile Passage |
| Discussion: | <p>The FSOC agreed in October 2011 that recommending a specific criterion (number) for juvenile passage is not appropriate, but developing a consistent process to follow is. Ken Loffink of ODFW volunteered to take the lead on drafting the framework for a process.</p> <p>Ken provided a template for a decision tree regarding juvenile jump criteria, and summarized the template for the FSOC members. Comments on the draft template were generally favorable, but most recognized it as only the beginning of this process. Questions/discussion points included:</p> <p>What is the definition of a juvenile (broad definition – anything not an adult returner; but this could be more scientifically based).</p> <p>What conditions might trigger when a juvenile might require upstream passage (e.g., warming lower river, mainstem flow receding etc.)</p> <p>We need to elaborate more on the left side of the diagram – what would lead to deviation from criteria?</p> <p>We need a comprehensive look at upstream passage systems (steam simulation, simple drop structures, roughened channels etc.) and define which might fit a particular lifestage or species or groupings thereof.</p> <p>We need to ensure that adequate surveys are done to determine species present, understand their needs, and know if passage is “essential to survival”</p> <p>We need to strive for integrated criteria to avoid pitting species against species.</p> <p>We need coordination and collaboration among states, federal, and tribal entities.</p> <p>The FSOC agreed to assign further development of the template to a subgroup facilitated by CBFWA staff. Volunteers for the subgroup included Ken Loffink (ODFW), Jody Brostrom (USFWS), and Bryan Nordlund (NMFS). Dave Ward will ask Brian Zimmerman (CTUIR) to join the subgroup. Jody will try to engage Doug Peterson from the Abernathy facility.</p> <p>Along with CBFWA staff, the subgroup will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) review literature, highlight uncertainties and research needs, and identify appropriate fishway types (2) Develop a more detailed decision tree using the draft provided by Ken as a framework. The product should include a summary (bulleted list?) of items to be considered when deciding on the physical parameters of a fishway pertinent to juveniles. <p>The subgroup will report back during the April teleconference. Dave and Neil will schedule teleconferences for the subgroup to ensure a product is ready by April.</p> |
| ITEM 6: | Fish Passage Training Session in 2012 |
| Discussion: | In September and October 2012, the FSOC discussed the possibility of |

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| | <p>holding a training session in 2012 similar that held in Yakima in 2010. Consensus was to hold the training in September 2012 in Hood River.</p> <p>Dave Ward has been working with the Best Western Hotel in Hood River and has secured a meeting room for the week of September 17. Capacity as currently proposed will be 60 attendees.</p> <p>Bryan Nordlund developed a draft outline for training. The FSOC agreed that the emphasis will be on tributary facilities, will include both upstream and downstream passage concerns, and will not be limited to anadromous salmonids (e.g., lamprey).</p> <p>The FSOC decided that the training should begin with a short overview, including a preview of the planned site visits. This overview will be scheduled to start in mid-afternoon, Monday, September 17. Site visits will be scheduled for all day on Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday will be dedicated to classroom training.</p> <p>FSOC agreed that a registration cost of approximately \$150 would be appropriate and would cover anticipated costs.</p> <p>Dave Ward will contact the hotel and ensure the proposed schedule will work.</p> <p>Dave will also investigate the using multiple smaller vehicles for site visits rather than a large bus.</p> <p>Dave will also develop and distribute a “save the date” announcement, including a request for topics of interest. Sean Welch will ensure the announcement is shared at the upcoming River Restoration Northwest conference.</p> <p>Alan Ritchey will provide a list of potential sites to visit. Sites will likely include screens (including horizontal), culverts, dams, laboratory facilities, etc.</p> <p>Bryan will refine the training outline based on FSOC discussion</p> <p>Jody Brostrom and Dan Shively will contact potential speakers from the USFS and consultants in Arcata, CA.</p> <p>Dave will contact Mary Moser and Matt Mesa about providing lamprey instruction.</p> <p>ODFW and WDFW will develop instruction on long term facility maintenance.</p> <p>The training content and logistics should be fully developed by the April teleconference.</p> |
| ITEM 7: | WDAFS 2012 Meeting |
| Discussion: | <p>Dave Ward added an agenda item to ask FSOC members if they had any interest (and could obtain travel authorization) in providing a talk at the WDAFS meeting in Jackson, WY (March 26-29). Meeting organizers are looking for a session focusing on west coast issues rather than Rocky Mountain issues. A few members expressed interest and will look into it.</p> |

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| ITEM 8: | Next FSOC Teleconference |
| Discussion: | The next FSOC teleconference is scheduled for April 26, 2012 at 8:30 AM PDT. The teleconference will be facilitated by Neil Ward. Topics will include following up on the juvenile criteria issue and detailed planning for the 2012 training session. |

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