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DATE: January 11, 2013

TO: Fish Screening Oversight Committee

FROM: Neil Ward (CBFWA)

SUBJECT: January 24, 2013 FSOC Teleconference Meeting Agenda

FSOC Teleconference Meeting

Thursday, January 24, 2013 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. (Pacific) @ CBFWA Office - Portland, Oregon

Teleconference (503) 229-0449 Id: 203254

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| ITEM 1: | Introductions |
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| ITEM 2: | Approve October 25, 2012 FSOC Action Notes |
| ITEM 3: | Upstream Fish Passage: Design Selection Process |
| | Since the October 25, 2013, FSOC meeting, the Upstream Fish Passage Guidance Subgroup has continued to review and update Ken Loffink's "FSOC Fishway Description and Fish Use" and "Species Applicability" templates which led to Bryan Nordlund taking the lead on the development of an upstream fish passage design selection process that includes scoring/rating criteria. The draft documents will be distributed for your review no later than January 18, 2013. <i>Please review these documents in advance of the meeting to ensure that we have a productive discussion.</i> |
| ITEM 4: | Coordination/Facilitation of FSOC: Status Update |
| | During the October 25, 2012, FSOC meeting, Neil Ward provided an update regarding the Northwest Power and Conservation Council's (NPCC) draft recommendation pertaining to the FSOC for April 2013 – March 2014. Neil informed the participants that the NPCC recommended that the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) continue to support the quarterly teleconference meetings and annual training and workshops of the FSOC. Although the NPCC has recommended to BPA that the technical services that have historically been provided by the CBFWA should continue, it appears that BPA has received little input from the region supporting the need for the continuation of the coordination/facilitation services. |

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Per a decision by the remaining members of the CBFWA, effective April 1, 2013, the FSOC coordination/facilitation services will no longer be funded directly through the Members' coordination funds, but instead will be funded through contracted agreements for said services. At this time, funds do not exist to continue these services. Despite the potential lack of funds for the coordination/facilitation services, this scenario does not mean that FSOC would or should be dissolved. The FSOC will evaluate the various options that may exist for continuing to coordinate and implement its activities (i.e., quarterly meetings, annual workshop/training sessions, and require subgroup meetings). **ITEM 5:** 2013 Fish Passage and Screening Workshop During the 2011 Fish Passage and Screening Workshop, the FSOC selected Missoula, MT as the site for the 2013 workshop. The FSOC briefly discussed the 2013 Workshop; however, because Mark Lere was unable to participate, the participants agreed to delay discussions pertaining to potential topics, venues, and dates until the January 2013 meeting. Idaho Department of Fish and Game representatives confirmed their interest and willingness to assist the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department in organizing and convening the workshop. Because of the unknown status of funding for the existing FSOC coordination/facilitation services, the FSOC will discuss potential approaches to coordinate and facilitate the upcoming workshop. **ITEM 6: Next Meeting**

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