

# Fish Screening Oversight Committee

DATE: October 27, 2016  
TO: Fish Screening Oversight Committee (FSOC)  
FROM: Neil Ward  
SUBJECT: October 27, 2016 FSOC Teleconference Meeting

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Portland, OR

## Draft Action Notes

**Attendees:** Neil Ward (QW Consulting)

**By Phone:** Mark Fritsch (WDFW), Windy Davis (IDFG), Jody Brostrom (USFWS), Jeff Brown (NOAA), Ken Loffink (ODFW), Jamie Cleveland (BPA), Danny Didricksen (WDFW)

<b>ITEM 1</b>	<b>Introductions</b>
<b>ITEM 2</b>	<b>Fish Screen Inventory – Update</b>  Mark Fritsch (NPCC) provided an update on the progress of the NPCC’s and BPA’s meetings with IDFG to further refine IDFG’s inventory that was developed through during Phase I of the fish screen inventory process. Mark indicated that the NPCC and BPA are seeking some additional information (e.g., screen type, flows, and refined maintenance needs) that will allow them to better understand the needs. In addition, Mark stressed that there is an attempt to create a consistent description of criteria that can be understood by the layperson. Mark also informed the participants that the NPCC and BPA are attempting to better understand IDFG’s criteria that they used for prioritizing their screens that need to be repaired or replaced. Finally, Mark suggested that some of the template modifications that are being made to better understand IDFG’s needs may not be required for the other entities templates.
<b>ITEM 3</b>	<b>FSOC Funding – BPA Match MOA</b>  Bryan Mercier (BPA) has expressed an interest in establishing a funding agreement that would continue the “match” arrangement that was established for the 2016 FSOC facilitation and coordination contract. During the July 28, 2016 FSOC meeting, participants expressed an interest in pursuing such an arrangement; however, some participants expressed a need for a defined time period that is preferably not greater than 5 to 10 years. The FSOC discussed information that had been received from participants relative to a potential duration for the MOA. The ODFW and MFWP indicated that a MOA of five years was acceptable; however, each entity provided a caveat. The ODFW is requesting that it be provided with an annual opt-out opportunity in case they need to allocate funds elsewhere. The MFWP indicated that they would be willing to shorten the duration if another entity prefers a shorter period. Danny Didricksen informed the participants that he is still waiting for an answer from WDFW management. Neil Ward indicated that he had received a notification from Brian Zimmerman indicating that a final decision from the CTUIR would not be available until after the October FSOC meeting. Finally, in Paddy Murphy’s absence, Windy Davis informed the participants that IDFG appreciates and supports the services and that a decision would be available when Paddy returns.

<b>ITEM 4</b>	<p><b>2016 FSOC Fish Screen Training Conference – Recap</b></p> <p>Neil Ward, Jeff Brown, and Danny Didricksen provided an overview of the conference as well as an accounting update. Although there were some concerns that the structure of the program (i.e., presentations by screen manufactures) could be problematic, Jeff indicated that the arrangement was well received by the 42 attendees and that the presence of the equipment representatives, during the site visits, proved to be educational as they were able to speak specifically about their screens and how they were performing at the locations. During past training conferences, attendees expressed dissatisfaction relative to the limited time that was provide for questions and answers during the site visits. The site visit schedule that Danny developed combined with the structure of classroom program provided ample opportunities for dialogue among the participants. Relative to accounting Neil reported that although there are still outstanding bills, the projected profit from the event should approach \$4,000.</p>
<b>ITEM 5</b>	<p><b>2017 FSOC Workshop – Initial discussions</b></p> <p>Ken Loffink confirmed that the 2017 FSOC Workshop would be hosted by ODFW. Ken suggested that potential locations include Astoria, Seaside, and Medford. Ken indicated that Medford could be interesting as there is a significant amount of screen-oriented work that has either been completed or is being completed. Prior to the January 26, 2017 FSOC meeting, Ken will inquire about the availability of facilities (lodging and meeting) for each of the aforementioned cities.</p>
<b>ITEM 6</b>	<p><b>FSOC Website Development – Presentation of DRAFT Website</b></p> <p>Neil Ward introduced the participants to the draft FSOC website and provided a general overview of the types of information that are available via the site. Neil indicated that the website would be “live” no later than November 2, 2016 and that the URL would be distributed to the participants. Besides requesting the participants to provide screen-oriented pictures, Neil requested that once the participants had an opportunity to thoroughly navigate through the website, comments and additional archives should be forwarded to him.</p>
<b>ITEM 7</b>	<p><b>Review and Approve Action Notes from July 28, 2016 FSOC Meeting</b></p> <p>The Action Notes were approved with no changes.</p>
<b>ITEM 8</b>	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday, January 24, 2017</b> <b>8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Pacific)</b></p>