

Fish Screening Oversight Committee

DATE: April 27, 2017
TO: Fish Screening Oversight Committee (FSOC)
FROM: Neil Ward
SUBJECT: April 27, 2017 FSOC Teleconference Meeting

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Portland, OR

Draft Action Notes

Attendees: Neil Ward (QW Consulting)
By Phone: Jody Brostrom (USFWS), Jeff Brown (NOAA), Ken Loffink (ODFW), Alan Ritchey (ODFW), Brian Zimmerman (CTUIR), Michelle McGree (MFWP), Paddy Murphy (IDFG), Jeff Allen (NPCC), Bryan Mercier (BPA), and Danny Didricksen (WDFW)

ITEM 1	Introductions
ITEM 2	Fish Screen Inventory – Update Bryan Mercier (BPA) provided an update on the status of the ongoing fish screen inventory during which he indicated that IDFG is close to completing their inventory and that BPA anticipates initiating the effort with the remaining states in the near future. Bryan revealed that it is BPA’s intent to enter into MOUs, with the screen program implementers, in which the implementers will provide a list of screens ranked in priority order relative to maintenance needs (i.e., which are most imminent to fail). In addition, the MOU may also include roles and responsibilities relative to BPA, implementers, and others. Subsequently, Bryan requested FSOC’s state representatives to identify who the contact person will be for discussions pertaining to the MOU and screen ranking process. Before IDFG submits their inventory to BPA and NPCC, Paddy Murphy expressed a desire to develop a subcommittee to review the template to ensure transparency and an understanding of the process that was used to develop the document.
ITEM 3	Lampreys and Screens – New Research Danny Didricksen described the upcoming lamprey/screen evaluation that will be conducted by WDFW, USFWS, USGS, and the YN as a follow-up to the work completed in 2012. Jody Brostrom indicated that she would forward the information to the Lamprey Workgroup with the hope that the workgroup might provide some comments.
ITEM 4	2017 FSOC Workshop Ken Loffink provided an update regarding planning efforts for the 2017 FSOC workshop that will be convened September 25-29 in Astoria, OR. The discussion focused on the potential venues (outdoor and indoor) for the Vendor Trade Show. Although the outdoor venue is free,

	<p>concerns were expressed regarding potential inclement weather and access that the general public would have to the event. The participants expressed an interest in reserving the indoor facility despite the rental fee of \$800. The FSOC suggested that Vendor fees and/or existing funds in the FSOC account could offset the expense. Neil Ward briefed the participants on the timeline for the release of Save the Date and First Call for Papers announcements, In addition, Neil informed the FSOC that registration for the workshop would open in mid-May and that the fee would be \$190 as discussed during the January 24, 2017 FSOC meeting. Ken and Neil will continue to work together through May to finalize arrangements relative to the facilities.</p>
ITEM 5	<p>FSOC Website</p> <p>Towards the end of 2016, the FSOC website (http://fishscreensoc.com/) was updated to include new information and functions with the understanding that additional refinements would be completed in 2017. Neil Ward informed the participants that QW is currently in the process of building a “library” section for the website that will provide links to fish screen-related resources. In addition, Neil requested that the FSOC contact him directly if there were additional information that they would like to have added to the website, as well as required edits.</p>
ITEM 7	<p>Review and Approve Action Notes from the January 24, 2017 FSOC Meeting</p> <p>The Action Notes were approved with no changes.</p>
ITEM 8	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, April 27, 2017 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Pacific)</p>