

# Fish Screening Oversight Committee

DATE: October 23, 2019  
TO: Fish Screening Oversight Committee (FSOC)  
FROM: Neil Ward  
SUBJECT: October 24, 2019 FSOC Teleconference Draft Action Notes

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Portland, OR

## Draft Action Notes

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

**By Phone:** Eric Leitzinger (BPA), Mark Fritsch (NPCC), Ken Loffink (ODFW), Alan Ritchey (ODFW), Michelle McGree (MFWP), Jody Brostrom (USFWS), and Jamie Cleveland (BPA)

<b>ITEM 1</b>	<b>Introductions</b>
<b>ITEM 2</b>	<b>FY2020 Non-recurring Maintenance Funding and MOU – Update</b> Eric Leitzinger and Mark Fritch provided updates regarding the status of FY2020 funding for non-recurring maintenance needs. They indicated that the Idaho, Washington, and Oregon requests had been approved. Since \$250k will continue to be available on an annual basis beyond 2021, Mark informed the participants that in the near future they would be requesting that the project sponsors update their list of priority needs that cannot be addressed through annual budgets. As in the past, Mark emphasized that the needs that will be considered are those that are “shovel ready.” Mark will plan on participating in the January FSOC meeting to answer any questions that may exist.
<b>ITEM 3</b>	<b>WDFW Presentation to NPCC – West Extension Drum Screen Refurbishment</b> During the October NPCC meeting, Danny Didricksen provided a presentation to the NPCC Members relative to the West Extension Drum Screen Refurbishment Project, an effort implemented with the “shovel ready” funds. Although Danny was not available to provide the briefing to the FSOC participants, Neil provided a general overview and indicated that the work was well received by the NPCC Members. The Members’ interest highlights the fact that the accomplishments and challenges associated with the fish screening programs should be presented to the NPCC on an annual basis.
<b>ITEM 4</b>	<b>2019 Pacific Northwest Fish Screening and Passage Workshop Wrap-up</b> In Paddy Murphy’s absence, Neil Ward led the participants in a brief review of 2019 workshop and in an effort to identify potential changes, etc. In addition, Neil provided an accounting update.
<b>ITEM 5</b>	<b>NOAA Participation</b> Since Jeff Brown left NOAA, the agency has been absent from all FSOC meetings and conferences/workshops. The FSOC continues to stress the need for NOAA’s participation in the committee, especially from a training standpoint. Neil Ward informed the participants that Paddy Murphy and Danny Didricksen expressed interest in meeting with NOAA representatives to discuss the need for NOAA to once again participate in the FSOC. Alan Ritchey and Ken Loffink indicated that they also would be interested in participating in the meeting.
<b>ITEM 6</b>	<b>2020 FSOC Fish Screen Training Conference?</b> Following the 2016 Training Conference the FSOC, through NOAA’s recommendation, decided not to convene a conference in 2018 since there had been no recent changes to NOAA’s screen criteria. In 2018, NOAA completed its <i>West Coast Region Anadromous Salmonid Passage Design Guidelines</i> . Subsequently, the release of the new guidelines may warrant the need for a training conference in 2020.

<b>ITEM 7</b>	<b>Review and Approve Action Notes from the July 25, 2018 FSOC Meetings</b> The review and approval of the Action Notes was tabled until the January 23, 2020 meeting.
<b>ITEM 9</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>  <b>January 23, 2020</b> <b>8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Pacific)</b>