



Grant County
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
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Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

9:00 am

SeaTac Radisson Hotel

PRCC Representatives

Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS

Bob Rose, YN

Jeff Korth, C. Andonaegui (Alt), P. Verhey (Alt) WDFW

Curt Dotson, Tom Dresser (Alt), GCPUD

Denny Rohr, D. Rohr & Assoc, Facilitator

Jim Craig, USFWS

Kirk Truscott, CCT

Tom Skiles, CTUIR

Orlene Hahn, GCPUD, Executive Assistant

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Agenda Review (D. Rohr)
- III. Meeting Minutes Approval – August 26, 2015; September 23, 2015 (D. Rohr)
- IV. Action Items Review – from September 23, 2015 (D. Rohr)
- V. 2015 Preliminary Juvenile steelhead and sockeye survival & behavior evaluation results (C. Dotson)
 - A. Statistical aspects (presentation) of the survival study - Skalski
 - B. Project-Wide, Development and Route Specific survival & behavior – Blue Leaf presentation
 - C. Wanapum Future Unit Bypass 15kcfs vs 20kcfs – Blue Leaf
 - D. PR Fish Mode (off fish mode) – Blue Leaf/Curt Dotson
- VI. 2016 Juvenile Steelhead Survival Evaluation Study Plan – Review of Additional Information Added (C. Dotson)
- VII. (Revised) SOA 2015-02, Schedule for Conducting Sub-yearling Survival Evaluations (C. Dotson)
- VIII. Potpourri (D. Rohr)
- IX. Updates
 - A. Inland Avian Predation Activities (C. Dotson)
 - B. Hatchery Activities (T. Dresser)
 1. Carlton Acclimation Facility
 2. Nason Creek Acclimation Facility
 3. Priest Rapids Hatchery Modifications

4. Penticton Hatchery
- C. Hatchery Permits (Section 10 for Summer Chinook and Section 7 Consultation for Bull Trout. (T. Dresser)
- D. NNI Funded Projects
 1. Supplementary Tags and Tagging for Assessment of Predation Losses of Subyearling Chinook Salmon in the Lower Hanford Reach and Upper McNary Reservoir (C. Dotson)
 2. 2015 Real Time Research / Oregon State University – “Evaluation of Foraging Behavior, Dispersal, and Predation on ESA-listed Salmonids from the Upper Columbia River by Caspian Terns Displaced from Managed Colonies in the Columbia Plateau Region” C. Dotson)
 3. Upper Columbia Fish Screen Monitoring Program Phase I Contract Extension – November presentation scheduled by Danny Didricksen, WDFW (J. Korth)
 4. Upper Columbia Fish Screen Monitoring Program Phase II – November presentation scheduled by Danny Didricksen, WDFW (J. Korth)
 5. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II – (J. Korth)
 6. Mid-Columbia River Intake Screen and Diversion Assessment – November presentation scheduled by Danny Didricksen, WDFW (T. Dresser)
 7. Methow Valley Irrigation District (MVID) Instream Flow Improvement Project – November presentation scheduled by Aaron Penvose / Lisa Pelly, Trout Unlimited (T. Dresser)
- E. Committee Reports (D. Rohr)
- F. Quarterly NNI and Habitat Funds Report through September 30, 2015 (D. Rohr)
- X. **Next Meetings (Note Schedule Changes)** – November 18, 2015, SeaTac Radisson Hotel; review of December 16th meeting schedule (D. Rohr)

Action Items from September 23, 2015 PRCC meeting

1. **Draft 2016 Juvenile Steelhead Survival Evaluation Study Plan** – Skiles is to send Rohr and Dotson an example performance standard test report and internal standards of the Corps, as they relate to criteria for rejecting a fish for not tagging it as a “study fish”. Dotson is to review the 2014 Blue Leaf report regarding the same issue – basis of rejecting or selecting a given smolt for tagging.
2. **November/December Meetings** - Rohr to work on dates as there may be some conflicts with other meetings when these meetings are moved up a week.
3. **SOA 2015-02, Schedule for Conducting Sub-yearling Survival Evaluations** – Dotson will have a new draft of the SOA for approval at the October meeting. Rohr is to talk to Ferguson about doing something jointly. We will put this on the Agenda and talk about this in January. It was suggested to have a sub-yearling workshop on the same day as the HCP meeting. HCP meeting in the morning and a joint sub-yearling workshop in the afternoon the same as was done in 2010 or 2011. The presentations that were done in 2010 or 2011 should be sent out for people to look at prior to the workshop.