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PRCC Habitat Subcommittee

FINAL APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 11, 2016
1:00 pm
Grant PUD Wenatchee Office
Conference Call

PRCC Habitat Subcommittee Members

Kate Terrell, USFWS	Chris Fisher, CCT
Dave Duvall, GCPUD	Lee Carlson, YN
Justin Yeager, Dale Bambrick (alt), NMFS	Carl Merkle, CTUIR
Jeremy Cram, Carmen Andonaegui (alt), WDFW	Erin McIntyre, GCPUD
Denny Rohr, D. Rohr & Assoc, Facilitator	

Meeting Attendees

Kate Terrell, USFWS	Erin McIntyre, GPUD
Dave Duvall, GPUD	Lee Carlson, YN
Justin Yeager, NMFS	Jeremy Cram, WDFW
Denny Rohr, D. Rohr & Associates	Chris Fisher, CCT
Patrick Wyena, Wanapum (phone) GPUD	

Decisions Made in August 11, 2016 Meeting:

Meeting Minutes

- I. **Agenda Review** – Nothing added.
- II. **Action Items Review from July 14, 2016 Meeting (D. Rohr)** – Completed
- III. **Approval of Minutes for July 14, 2016 Meeting (D. Rohr)** – HSC members will send email by Friday, 8/19/2016 to Rohr reflecting their decision for approval
- IV. **Habitat Funds and NNI Report through 1st Quarter 2016(D. Rohr)** – No new reports available for review.

- V. **Update: Silver Side Channel Acquisition / Appraisal Activities (D. Duvall)** – Duvall reported that the Silver landowner has agreed to allow the appraisal to be conducted. Johnson and Rees to coordinate and schedule.
- VI. **Update Review of Upper Beaver Creek Property Acquisition (C. Fisher)** –Land owners have tentatively agreed to sell with water rights, which is a requirement for the HSC to even consider further investigation. Fisher requested additional written information summarizing the latest development.
- VII. **Entiat Restoration Project (Rohr)** -Kolk provided the latest project design but it was agreed in the previous HCP meeting that additional time would be needed to provide the necessary level of review; therefore, this will be further discussed during the September meeting. Also, Duvall questioned whether an approval included in the HSC meeting minutes with an email to Kolk by Rohr was sufficient to meet committee needs, as done in the past. This was agreed to by the HSC but Fisher commented that as projects get more complex, we may want to reserve the right to provide additional comments/questions during the review process.
- VIII. **Review of Newby Narrows Activities (L. Carlson)** –The Project Coordinator for the YN failed to obtain trespass access from an adjacent landowner to the Newby Narrows property prior to constructing a bridge and as a result is requesting a damage claim from YN. The YN will award a \$15,000 payment for this infraction and potentially award 0.3 acres of the Newby Narrow parcel to allow a septic system to be installed. The HSC felt it should be reimbursed fair market value for the 0.3 acres and Carlson agreed to discuss this option with YN attorneys. Rohr will send an email to Carlson outlining the HSC decision, stating that a property resale policy has also been adopted since the contract was signed. The HSC agreed that an appraisal of the 0.3 acres would not be necessary and that Carlson would determine the fair market value and discuss with the HSC.
- IX. **Discussion of Possible Okanogan Project Tour in October (D. Rohr)** – Tour dates were discussed and set for October 12-13. Further discussion will take place regarding specific details.
- X. **List of Appraisers (D. Rohr)** – Rohr has contacted Strickland who is out of the country and Gentry and is waiting for both to get back to him. Duvall contacted Tom Walters several years ago about doing appraisal work for the HSC and Walters was interested but his service has not been needed to date. Rohr to contact Walters and confirm if there is still interest in this work.

Project Updates

- A. **602-23H – McIntyre Dam – Improving Fish Jumping Efficiency (C. Fisher)** –Preliminary monitoring results were sent out. Fisher will receive the final report in October. Rohr will resend the whole package.
- B. **602-14H – Shuttleworth Creek Projects (C. Fisher)** – On schedule to remove Clark Meadows Dam and will remove Allendale after Clark Meadows is removed, scheduled in 2018. The

Irrigation District wants a year of proven reliability by the new system before completing the project.

- C. **602-16H - Roaring Creek Flow Restoration and Diversion Removal Project (K. Terrell)** – Terrell reported design work is continuing along with more pump testing. – No updates.
- D. **602-13H - Icicle Creek Boulder Field PIT Tag Array (J. Cram)** –Cram reported no new fish detections have occurred. – No updates.
- E. **602-11H - Trout Unlimited – Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project, Phase II (J. Cram)** – Project is on hold pending completion of an internal water rights assessment by the Jones Shotwell Ditch Company (JSDC). TU maintains regular communication with JSDC managers. –Project is on hold while parties are in negotiation.
- F. **601-20H - MVID – Methow Valley Irrigation District (K. Terrell)** – Almost done, one more well to complete, estimated completion is the fall of 2016.
- G. **602-27H - Silver Side Channel PIT Tag Array (J. Cram)** – The PIT tag array has been removed from the water while the restoration work is being completed.
- H. **603-24H - Barkley Irrigation Company Permanent Point of Diversion (July 12, 2012) plus 2015/16 O&M Funding (May 14, 2015) (K. Terrell/J. Yeager)** – The project is progressing, and the irrigation district is trying to negotiate some additional O&M funds.**602-33H - Entiat Enloe Flood Plain Protection Acquisition – Update of Moving House (J. Cram)** – There are still partial remains of the existing house but removal is almost done.
- I. **Stormy Creek Fish Passage Project (K. Terrell)** –Design completed and slated for 2017 start date.

XI. Next Meeting: September 8, 2016, Grant PUD Office in Wenatchee

Action Items from Aug 11, 2016 HSC Meeting:

1. Rohr to follow up with contacting potential appraisers.
2. Rohr to email Carlson a summary of the decision made by HSC regarding Newby Narrows.
3. Carlson to discuss possible HSC reimbursement from Newby Narrows resale.