



Grant County
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Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, January 27, 2016

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 (D. Rohr)
 - A. Affirmation of Email Approval for October 28, 2015; November 17, 2015
 - B. Approval of December 4, 2015; Approval of December 15, 2015
- IV. Action Items Review – from December 15, 2015 (D. Rohr)
 - A. Affirmation of J. Korth approval of committee decisions to use the Hanford 1 & 2 detection arrays for recalculation of the 2014 steelhead survival study data, calculation of the 2015 steelhead survival study data, and calculation of the 2016 study survival data, plus the committee decision of approval for NNI funding of the proposal for “2016 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”, presented by OSU/RTR.
- V. Presentation to Provide Updates for NNI Funded Screen Projects Listed Below – Danny Didricksen, WDFW (J. Korth, T. Dresser)
- VI. ACTION ITEM – NNI Funded Project Proposal, “Mid-Columbia River Intake Screen and Diversion Assessment (2016)” – (Proposal Distributed to PRCC for Review) (J. Korth, T. Dresser)
- VII. ACTION ITEM – NNI Funded Project Proposal, “Quincy Valley Chamber of Commerce and Quincy Valley Tourism Association Northern Pikeminnow Fishing Derby, 2016” – (Proposal Distributed to PRCC for Review) (T. Dresser)
- VIII. Approval of “Amended Study Plan for the Estimation of Juvenile Steelhead Survival through the Priest Rapids Project in 2016” (C. Dotson)

- IX. Wanapum Fish Bypass – 15kcfs vs 20kcfs Flow Level (C. Dotson)
- X. Priest Rapids Fish Mode Operations (C. Dotson)
- XI. Potpourri (D. Rohr)
- XII. 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: Sec 10 Consultation/Summer Chinook, Sec 7 Consultation/Bull Trout. (T. Dresser)
 - D. Amended 2014 and Draft 2015 Survival Study Reports (C. Dotson)
 - E. Subyearling Workshop (D. Rohr)
 - F. NNI Funded Projects
 - 1. (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)
 - 2. (2016) Real Time Research / Oregon State university – “Evaluation of Caspian Tern Management to Reduce Predation on ESA-Listed Salmonids in the Columbia Plateau Region” (C. Dotson)
 - 3. Upper Columbia Fish Screen Monitoring Program Phase I Contract Extension – Danny Didricksen, WDFW (J. Korth)
 - 4. Upper Columbia Fish Screen Monitoring Program Phase II – Danny Didricksen, WDFW (J. Korth)
 - 5. Mid-Columbia River Intake Screen and Diversion Assessment (2014-15)– Danny Didricksen, WDFW (T. Dresser)
 - 6. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II – (J. Korth)
 - G. Methow Valley Irrigation District (MVID) Instream Flow Improvement Project (T. Dresser)
- XIII. Committee Reports (D. Rohr)
- XIV. Quarterly NNI and Habitat Funds Report through December 31, 2015 (D. Rohr)
- XV. Next Meeting February 24, 2016, SeaTac Radisson Hotel (D. Rohr)

Action Items from December 15, 2015 PRCC Meeting:

1. **2015 Juvenile Steelhead and Sockeye Survival & Behavior Evaluation** – Korth was not in attendance at the meeting but Rohr was to contact him after the meeting regarding his concurrence with the committee members’ decisions. Rohr hoped to have some answers from Korth by the end of the week.
2. **2016 Study Proposal for NNI Funding – “Evaluation of Caspian Tern Management to Reduce Predation on ESA-Listed Salmonids in the Columbia Plateau Region”** – The Study Proposal was approved by the committee, subject to agreement from Korth. Rohr will contact Korth after the meeting. Dotson to notify the proposers once he hears from Rohr after Rohr speaks with Korth.