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Meeting 9 a.m - 1 p.m. (Snoqualmie and Skagit offices will be open to link by video

conference)

Importance: High

Attachments: 1 Draft ARG Agenda 9 14 10.doc

Aquatic Resources Group (ARG):

RE: September 14, 2010 Meeting (in-person, webex and video-conference)

The September 14th ARG meeting will be at the PSE-Snoqualmie Operations Center with video conference available to the Skagit Service Center for folks up north. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. to ~1 p.m. We will have three decisions on the agenda, so please designate a Proxy to express your view if you cannot attend!

Decision (1): This is a proposal relative to Article 101 Fish Propagation, to extend the deadline to complete the final report for the Sockeye Smolt Production Capacity study to November 15, 2010. See the proposed revised schedule to the ARG below:

Sockeye Smolt Production Capacity, Article 101 (c)1

"We have been working with R2 in response to Settlement Agreement Article 101(c)1, a study evaluating the potential number of sockeye smolts that could rear in Baker Lake and Lake Shannon. The article called for "a study completed no later than two years following license issuance". Our schedule proposed to complete the study on or before October 1, 2010. R2 has been working very hard to complete the data analysis and reporting and can provide the basic results of the study on schedule. However, they have informed us there are some difficulties reproducing some of the results from Mazumder's 2004 study. An extension of the completion date would allow R2 to recalculate the models presented by Mazumder and provide additional information that would help interpretation of results. We agree that it would be beneficial to all parties if R2 could work through the additional analysis and expand the discussion section of the report. We are proposing an extension of the study completion date to November 15, 2010. R2 could present preliminary results at the September 14, 2010 ARG meeting. The ARG would receive the draft report by October 1, 2010 and the ARG would be provided with appropriate time for review (30 days). The proposed schedule is:

- Draft report submitted to ARG: October 1, 2010
- ARG 30-day review:

October 1 – October 31, 2010

- Discuss results at ARG conference call October 12
- Respond to ARG Comments:

November 1 – November 14, 2010

Report Complete:
 November 15, 2010

The proposed schedule change will be presented for a decision by the ARG at the next meeting on September 14th."

<u>Decision (2):</u> This is a proposal relative to Article 108 Gravel, to submit an alternative schedule to FERC for approval, to extend the deadline to file with FERC a Baker River Gravel Management Plan (BRGMP) to January 31, 2011. See the proposed revised schedule to the ARG below:

Draft BRGMP submitted to ARG:

September 16, 2010

ARG 60-day review per Article 108:

September 16 – November 15, 2010

 Respond to ARG Comments, Additional Consultation if Necessary, Submit BRGMP to FERC

November 15 – January 31, 2011

The proposed schedule change will be presented for a decision by the ARG at the next meeting on September 14th.

<u>Decision (3):</u> This is a proposal relative to Article 109 Large Woody Debris (SA109), to submit an alternative schedule to FERC for approval, to extend the deadline to file with FERC a Large Woody Debris Management Plan (LWDMP) to January 31, 2011. See the proposed revised schedule to the ARG below:

Draft LWDMP submitted to ARG:

September 22, 2010

• ARG 60-day review per Article 109:

September 22 - November 21, 2010

 Respond to ARG Comments, Additional Consultation if Necessary, Submit BRGMP to FERC

November 15 - January 31, 2011

The proposed schedule change will be presented for a decision by the ARG at the next meeting on September 14th

A tentative draft agenda is attached, which includes the decisions needed, followed by updates from the sockeye smolt capacity study, the Fish Passage Technical Working Group, the spawning beach renovation, spawning beach decommissioning proposal and other recent implementation activities. If you have additional topics to add to the agenda, please let me know. Thanks.



1 Draft ARG genda 9 14 10.doc.

Paper copy: Bob Helton

Directions to Snoqualmie Operations Center

35413 SE Douglas Street Snoqualmie, Washington

Traveling from West to East on I-90

- Take the Snoqualmie Parkway Exit from I-90.
- Take a left turn at the intersection at the east end of the I-90 off ramp. You are traveling north. Pass under I-90 and continue to the intersection at the western
- terminus of the west bound I-90 off ramp and continue through the intersection onto Snoqualmie Parkway.
- Continue north for about 1 1/2 miles until you reach the signal at Douglas Ave. The City of Snoqualmie Police
 Department will be on the right.

• Turn right onto Douglas Ave. and continue to the end of the street. You'll be at the Snoqualmie Operations Center.

Traveling from the City of Snoqualmie or Snoqualmie Falls

- Take Railroad Ave to the Snoqualmie Parkway.
- Turn onto the Snoqualmie Parkway and continue for about 1 mile until you reach Douglas Ave.
- Turn left at Douglas Ave., passing the Snoqualmie Police Station on your right on the corner.
- Continue on Douglas Ave. to the end of the street. You'll be at the Snoqualmie Operations Center.

Directions to Skagit Service Center

1660 Park Lane Burlington, Washington

Traveling from the South, take I-5 N.

- Take Exit 231 for Chuckanut Dr/WA-11 N toward Bow-Edison
- Turn LEFT onto Chuckanut Dr, then immediately turn LEFT onto Old Hwy 99 N.
- Drive approximately 0.6 mile, until you come to the entrance of the Burlington Hill Business Park (Jerry Smith KIA dealership is on the corner).
- Turn RIGHT onto N. Hill Blvd.
- Travel EAST on N. Hill Blvd., over the railroad tracks, until you come to the intersection of N. Hill Blvd. & Park Lane. (Walton Beverage is located directly ahead on the corner)
- Turn RIGHT onto Park Lane. Travel to the end of Park Lane, past Pacific Woodtech Corporation on your left & Skagit Farmers Supply on your right.
- PSE Skagit Service Center is the large, stone & glass building on your right.
- Park in the lot in front of the building, & enter the lobby through the double glass doors to the far right.
- This is a secured building, so please sign in at the front desk when you arrive.

Traveling from the North, take I-5 S.

- Take Exit 232 towards Cook Road/Sedro-Woolley.
- At the stop sign, turn LEFT onto Cook Road.
- Travel EAST on Cook Road to the first, controlled intersection (Cook Road & Old Hwy 99). You will see a Shell service station on your left & a Union 76 service station on your right.
- Turn RIGHT onto Old Hwy 99.
- Drive approximately 1 mile, until you come to the entrance of the Burlington Hill Business Park (Jerry Smith KIA dealership is on the corner).
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Topic: Baker ARG Meeting

Date: Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Time: 8:30 am, Pacific Daylight Time (San Francisco, GMT-07:00)

Meeting Password: 123456

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To contact host for meeting: Baker ARG Meeting

You can contact me at: arnie.aspelund@pse.com

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