

# McNary Fisheries Compensation Committee Meeting

Northern Wasco County PUD  
2345 River Road, The Dalles, Oregon 97058

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I will have the conference phone set up as backup. That number is 1-971-256-0996, the passcode is 148967. My cell number is 541-980-7727 if you need to call me. [Updated 3/4/2021](#)

**Monday, March 8, 2021, 9am**

**ON LINE MEETING ONLY**

**Attending: Rick M.-PUD, Sean G.-NOAA, RD Nelle-USFWS, Brandon R.-Yakama, Patrick V.-WDFW, Erick V.-ODFW, Julie C.-CRITFC, presenting guest- Aaron Penvose-Trout Unlimited.**

## **1. August meeting minute's approval request – done via email.**

Last call for edits. Forgot to come back to this, please respond with any edits.

## **2. New Proposals, Extension Request or Final Report Presentations.**

Aaron Penvose will be presenting a final report on the Icicle Creek Fish Passage project.

Aaron summarized the Icicle Creek Fish Passage project using a power point presentation that was quite informative and thorough. Rick asked about success evaluation. Aaron said they talked about this but the only specific thing he mentioned was a PIT array upstream. Julie asked about water temp at low flows. Aaron said upstream of the boulder field was not a problem, it is Icicle Creek after all. Downstream he talked about a water withdrawal right that can take out as much as half the flow, implying that flows and temps at low flows could be an issue at that point (I think that was his implication, anyone want to add to this?)

Sean asked about fish delay in the intake vault. Aaron said he wasn't really involved with that, it was left up to WDFW. He did ask why delay would be a problem. Sean mentioned predation possibilities and said projects he has been involved in try to avoid using them.

Rick asked about accepting the presentation as the final report. Sean suggested he will likely be writing reports for others and we could just get a copy of that rather than a copy specifically for us. Everyone agreed that would be fine.

**ToDo: Rick will ask Aaron for a copy of whatever report he prepares.**

**Rick will distribute and archive on the website when he receives that.**

## **3. Other new business, agenda additions, etc.**

### **a. 2020 Annual Report discussion and comment**

Rick asked for comments on the 2020 annual report. He mentioned he had gotten some comments from Erick which were incorporated and further explained that headings and content are taken from the Settlement Agreement with some sections added.

Rick mentioned that Korenna had asked if we should inquire about grant recipients intention to reengage in funded projects after the delay imposed by Covid. Erick suggested we reach out to affected recipients to verify their intent, which is what Korenna suggested.

**ToDo: Rick will follow up with active grant's managers to verify their intent and timeline for resuming work on their projects. Rick will distribute results.**

### **b. Logo selection- update by Julie**

Julie had gotten a draft logo from the graphic artist at CRITFC which was distributed. Rick suggested that adipose fins be added to the fish, there was some mention of missing lamprey and trees but overall it was well received. Rick made a motion that we accept it, Brandon said he would second the motion, no one objected so the logo, once adipose fins are added, will be adopted as the official logo of the McNary Fund.

#### 4. Grant Updates, work progress and financial activity.

##### Active-Open Grants

- a. Wallowa-McDaniel Habitat Restoration Project-Phase 3 – Erick followed up on this and did get an update.
- b. Juvenile Lamprey Tracking-Year 2 – see update, report in progress.
- c. Non Native Predator Recruitment Reduction –December 31, 2021. No update
- d. Yakima River Mile 25 Thermal Refuge, - see update,
- e. Icicle Creek Boulder Field Project – final report presentation
- f. Upper Yakima River Restoration Project-KCT-
- g. Screen Angle Testing-
- h. Yakima Wood Fiesta –
- i. Closed but Update Worthy
- j. Swauk Creek Restoration-Yakama Nation
- k. Lamprey Habitat Restoration Guide – Methow Salmon Recovery Foundation
- l. Cle Elum River Restoration- KCT
- m. Yakama Beaver Project- MCFEG

RD asked for more detail and formality to the updates, including update author, Project Title and maybe letter head. Erick said it would be nice to have grant balance information. Rick said he could add those items.

**ToDo:** Rick will add detail to updates.

#### 5. Change Forms

None submitted

#### 6. Website updates

2019 Annual Report added. 2020 report will be added once comments are received.

**To Do:** Rick will add 2020 AR to website after receiving comments.

#### 7. Next Meeting Date: mid May