McNary Fisheries Compensation Committee Meeting

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

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Friday, February 13, 2015 10 AM

Nation, Korenna Colquitt-PUD. Call Ins-Gary Fredricks-NOAA, Julie Carter-CRITFC.

Presenters: Mitchell Long Attending: Rick Martinson-PUD, Erick Van Dyke-ODFW, Dan Rawding-WDFW, R.D. Nelle-USFWS, Bob Rose-Yakama -KCT, David Gerth-KCT, Hank Fraser.

- 1. New Proposals, Extension Request or Final Report Presentations.
 - a. Cle Elum Restoration-Phase 2 Final report presentation Mitchell Long.

Mitchell presented a PP presentation describing the project which included numerous details about the number of structures, miles of side channel restored, etc. The presentation included a video as well. All were impressed and pleased to have been part of this project.

TO DO-distribute presentation and post a link to it.

b. PIT Tagging Spring Chinook Parr-Year 2-Final Report-Dan Rawding.

Dan presented results of the work of tagging spring chinook parr in the Tucannon River. This was the condensed version of the full report that was resubmitted and distributed.

Eric commented that it is tough to conclude much from one year and cautioned Dan about concluding that the areas described as "move through" areas maybe more important that could be detected in one year of work with existing size limits on fish.

Dan acknowledged Erick's comments and said they weren't able to accomplish the tagging they had hoped to, or that they had outlined in their proposal.

TO DO- Committee members need to read the report and vote to accept it as the final.

-Dan is going to request an end date extension. This will keep them and us (MFCC) in compliance with our guidelines.

TO DO- once end date extension request is received, approval is assumed, process and add to grant folder.

- 2. November 18, 2014 meeting minutes approval request. Approval given.
 - TO DO- post minutes to web site.
- 3. Review of "MFCC project type priority" paragraph by Julie Carter. Nothing submitted no action.
- 4. 2014 Annual Report Review

Rick presented the draft version of the 2014 annual report, comments were requested.

TO DO- Edit report based on comments, update table, etc.

- 5. Grant Updates, work progress and financial activity.
 - i) Swauk Creek Restoration- Yakama Nation-Henry Fraser (ED-2/10/12)

Hank was in attendance and reported that the Swauk Creek project was experiencing mixed results. The log structures that were built were doing what they were intended to do, backing up the water, catching gravel, creating complexity. The riparian revegitation work was not growing as intended. Lack of access to the site due to an uncooperative land owner prevented watering, etc and most of the plantings had died. A state biologist had reported to Hank that steelhead were using that stretch of the river so that is a measure of some success. The lack of shade from the plantings, the original intent, will reduce the benefit of the overall project.

ii) Lamprey Test Tank Construction-WDFW-Pat Shille (ED-12/4/12)

We didn't have an update on this but some discussion was generated regarding what was to come of the tank now that the lamprey screen testing was complete. Bob R. had a couple of ideas about who might be interested in using it. Dan was going to check with Marty (Teresa Litdke) to see if USGS had plans for its continued use. Others Committee members are encouraged to remember the tank should they run into someone with a need. TO DO: Dan to check with Marty and get back to us.

- iii) Yakama River Adult Lamprey Tracking-Yakama Nation, Bob Rose, (ED-6/30/13)
 - (1) no financial activity

RD Nelle was able to report that the project report is being prepared and in the wrap us phase.

- iv) PIT Tagging Spring Chinook Parr-Year 1- WDFW-Dan Rawding, (ED-9/30/13)
 - (1) final report received, all funds dispersed.

Project is complete, no update needed.

- v) Facilities Inventory and RME preparation, CRITFC, Brian McIlraith, (ED-3/31/14)
 - (1) Final invoice was submitted, received revised final report, funds dispersed, closed.

No update, project complete. Erick asked about report access, Rick offered to resend.

- vi) Lamprey Screen Type Testing-USGS, Matt Mesa & Theresa Liedtke, (ED-12/31/13)
 - (1) All funds dispersed, final report being reviewed internally. See relevant comments from above.
- vii) Lamprey Habitat Restoration Guide, Methow Salmon Recovery Foundation, John Crandall, (ED 5/31/15)
 - (1) Invoice received and paid, \$3,984. See update from John.
 - (2) Preferred MFCC recognition in guide?

Committee anxious to see draft copy of guide. Rick asked about acknowledgement of funding in guide, and got clarification that a simple listing in the intro is adequate. Also ask about distribution and web access.

- viii) <u>Cle Elum River Restoration-Phase 2, Kittitas Conservation Trust, Mitchell Long (ED 12/31/14)</u>
 - (1) Invoice #CE2 McNar-2 submitted and paid- \$156,720. In person final report expected at meeting. See notes at top of minutes.
- ix) PIT Tagging Spring Chinook Parr-Year 2, WDFW, Todd Miller
 - (1) no financial activity See notes at top of minutes.
- x) Yakama River Adult Lamprey Tracking-Tags only, Yakama Nation, Bob Rose
 - (1) no financial activity Nothing to report, except that Bob plans to spend the last \$0.12.
- xi) Yakama River Beaver Project, Mid C.Fisheries Enhancement Group-Mel Babik & WDFW-William Meyer.
 - (1) Received another invoice, processing at time of this writing, see written update.
- xii) Adult Pacific Lamprey in the Snake- Receiver update

no financial activity and no update. Bob to look into getting report for committee. Here is the summary Chris sent us last November.

"Sorry I did not get back to you sooner but I have been out sick.

Just a quick summary of our lamprey project. We ended up collecting and tagging 254 adult lamprey from John Day Dam. These fish were released at Ice Harbor Dam. We are in the process of analyzing the detections for these fish but we know that 169 were detected at Ice Harbor Dam, 52 made it to Lower Monumental Dam, 19 to Little Goose and 8 to Lower Granite Dam.

Three fish were detected in the Tucannon River and one in the Palouse River.

Upstream of Lower Granite Dam there were three that entered the Clearwater River and all three appear to have reached the South Fork of the Clearwater River. One lamprey was last detected in the Grande Ronde River.

Next year we will likely release groups of fish upstream of Ice Harbor Dam which will improve the chances of fish getting to tributaries."

- xiii) <u>Evaluation of Restoration Actions to Increase Overwintering Survival of Juvenile Tucannon River spring Chinook and summer steelhead.</u>
 - (1) -Invoice submitted, \$55,181.06 paid out. No Update given.

See updated Grant Summary Table for complete list of activity.

Rick encouraged everyone to review tables and report problems, errors, omissions, etc.

6. Committee Protocols – Rick may have another protocol change to discuss.

Rick did not get anything else together but encouraged others to review them.

7. Website updates — revised committee member contact list uploaded, R.D. Nelle added. Tables updated to reflect new financial activity (reimbursements).

New contact list added, other updates to follow, again, review when you get a chance and help improve our product, image, and usability.

8. Next Meeting Date May 15th is the favorite right now. Mark your calendars.