**Columbia River Regional Forum**

**System Configuration Team Meeting**

**December 17, 2020**

**DRAFT Official Notes**

**\*\*Comments due by January 1, 2020\*\***

Representatives of Corps, OR, WA, BPA, NOAA, and others participated in today’s SCT meeting chairedby Blane Bellerud, NOAA.. See the last page of these minutes for a list of attendees at today’s meeting.

1. Line 43 Bonneville Powerhouse 2 Fish Guidance Efficiency

B2FGE is moving along. Bids opened a few weeks ago and came in under the government budget. The project will be awarded next week and if it comes in under budget, there may be excess funds for either work on an additional unit this year or for another CRFM estuary project.

The project schedule includes 2 units in FY 21 (units 15 and 16), 3 units in FY22, and the last 3 units in FY23 – as long as everything goes as planned in FY21.

Units 15 and 16 should be up and running by the time flows rise in spring or early summer – in time for testing. While Andy has not heard that COVID will affect the project timeline, it is a tight schedule and there is a chance the testing period will be missed. Once the contract is in place, Andy should have a better idea of the schedule and will update SCT members if there are any changes.

**Charles Morrill, WA, asked if the contract allows for work 7 days a week. Andy does not know and will report back.**

This contract was built with flexibility and covers all work in powerhouse 2 and all associated testing. Thus, this contract should be the only one necessary to complete B2FGE work.

2. Dalles AWS trash rake PDT updates

This project has just been assigned a new PM: Valerie Hxxxxxxx. She is working to assign a team lead and fill out her team. Once she has a team, she will make a schedule and budget and Andy will share that with the SCT. Funding this year will cover the engineering design report. The design document will be funded in FY22. Construction should begin in FY24.

3. Other

Charles asked about the McNary Overshoot study. Marvin Shutters, Corps, noted that the project has been funded and a treatment schedule has been drafted and should go out to agencies in early January. The study should begin February 15.

4. Next SCT:

The next SCT will be the third Thursday in January.

5. Today’s Attendees:

Andy Traylor, Corps (filling in for Ian Chane)

Blane Bellerud, NOAA

Charles Morrill, WA

Christine Peterson, BPA

Doug Newton – Corps

Jacob Macdonald, Corps

Leah Sullivan, BPA

Marvin Shutters, Corps

Melissa Haskin, BPA (CONTR) [note-taker]

Scott Bettin, BPA

Tom Lorz, Umatilla/CRITFC

Trevor Conder, NOAA

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