

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Final minutes for the 24 February 2016 Willamette FPOM meeting.

The meeting was held at USACE NWP HQ, Block 300. Portland, Oregon. In attendance:

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Bardy, Couture, Friesen, Gramlich, Grenbemer, Kremer, Pierce, Richards, Taylor called in.

All documents may be found at http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/Willamette_Coordination

1. Final actions:

1.1. January 2016 WFPOM meeting minutes approved.

2. Action Items

2.1. [Jan 16] Walker to update WFPOM distribution list. *STATUS: completed.*

2.2. [Jan 16] Walker to check on availability of Block 300 lobby conference room for all future WFPOM meetings. *STATUS: completed. Have the room for four months.*

- 2.3. [Jan 16] Mackey to send out a Doodle Poll to confirm which Wednesday of each month would work best for standing WFPOM meetings. **STATUS: 4th Wednesday of each month.**
- 2.4. [Jan 16] Walker will send out a Doodle Pool for the WFOP change form discussion meeting. **STATUS: Date will be 8 March at NOAA Fisheries.**
- 2.5. [Jan 16] Traylor will convene a HMT working group meeting in the next couple weeks. **STATUS: doodle poll sent but no final date yet.**

3. Updates

3.1. HMT Updates

- 3.1.1. North Santiam. Grenbemer reported that Minto collected the first steelhead last week. Currently 54 over Bennett Dam. Releasing smolts today. Safety upgrades started on the pre-sort crowder. Summer Steelhead smolts come the first of March.
 - 3.1.1.1. Marion Forks. Two weeks out for ponding. 100K for the Molalla and 200K for SAFE.
- 3.1.2. South Santiam. Couture reported that Foster crew is working on safety mods. Pre-sort crowder is up and running. Post-sort crowdors not yet completed. Chinook are on-site and will be released in two weeks. Will start Summer Steelhead acclimation.
- 3.1.3. McKenzie. Kremers reported Released 201,500 smolts last week and the same amount this week for a total of 403K smolts released. No BKD issues. All 2015 Chinook fry have been ponded. 26 February – ODFW will be doing water sampling prior to the Cogswell Creek supply pipe construction, which begins in April.
- 3.1.4. Middle Fork. No report this week.
- 3.2. HGMP updates. McKenzie submitted to NOAA Fisheries. North Santiam gets wrapped up this week. South Santiam will be started this week as well.
- 3.3. Research/WFFDRWG (FPT) updates.
 - 3.3.1. WFFDRWG is scheduled to meet on 1 March.
- 3.4. Water Quality Updates.
- 3.5. Flow update. Teed reported that we are following refill and will continue to monitor the forecasts. Hills Creek will spike today due to unit testing but will return to minimums. Dexter has been brought down to minimum. Fall Creek is catching up to refill after a delay due to construction on the fish horns.
- 3.6. Pinniped Update. (ODFW) No updates.
- 3.7. BPA updates. No updates.

4. Coordination/Notification forms (need concurrence/discussion)

- 4.1. 16CGR01 Outage of Cougar Units. Not refilling Cougar in anticipation of a drawdown for repair work. Working through negotiations with the contractor. Award should be next week. PFFC will be moved to the main part of the reservoir and then a slow drawdown will commence. The drawdown will meet approved drawdown rates. Refill should begin 1 April. WFPOM will be kept apprised of any changes. A new gauge will also be installed to monitor elevations below 1500msl. A new gauge downstream will help monitor turbidity, discharge, and TDG. All gauge info is available online at the USGS at NWIS website. Taylor asked if we are going to monitor as we go to 1450msl. Tackley said we will look at sloughing from the saddle dam and continue to monitor water flows. **WFPOM concurred.**
- 4.2. 16FOS01 Ladder Outage. Will need to take the ladder down for a day for equipment installation. **WFPOM concurred.**
- 4.3. 16DET01 MFR Minto Ladder Outage. Ladder is back up and running.
- 4.4. Portable Floating Fish Collector, forebay placement/configuration discussion. This topic is a WFFDRWG issue and should be discussed at the meeting on 1 March.
- 4.5. Foster Fish Facility Ladder. **See 4.2.** A MOC will be provided.

- 5. Fish Operations Plan:** The Current 2015 WFOP is online at: http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/Willamette_Coordination/Willamette%20Fish%20Operations%20Plan%20Final.pdf

5.1. Pending WFOP change forms: Meeting to discuss on 8 March at NOAA Fisheries 1300 – 1600.

6. Task Group Updates.

6.1. Willamette Flow Management and Water Quality (Walker)

6.1.1. March 9, next call, Water Conservation Plan. Will go over what was seen last year and kick off the 2016 planning effort. This team will meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

6.2. Hatchery Management Team (Traylor)

6.2.1. Team members include: Couture, hatchery managers, Sharpe.

6.3. Summer Steelhead (Traylor/Taylor)

6.3.1. Team members include: Not yet determined.