CENWP-OD 19 July 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: FINAL minutes for the 19 July 2017 HMT meeting.

The meeting was held in the Large Conference Room at the ODFW Adair Office. In attendance:

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On the phone: Boyd, Couture, Grenbemer, Kovalchuk, Kremers, Kruzic and Walker.

http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/Willamette_Coordination/

1. Final Actions

- **1.1.** Meeting minutes for last month and Steelhead task group will go out soon.
- 2. The following documents were provided or discussed. Documents may be found at: http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/Willamette_Coordination/
 - **2.1.** 170621 Agenda

3. Action Items.

3.1. [June 16] Willamette/Dexter - ACTION: There were designs and plans made for the new brood pond in 2012 and Walker will send out to the group. Status: Walker found a hard copy but not an electronic one. Couture sent the e-copy to Walker during the meeting. The actual FY18 budget should be determined in the next couple of months and then we will know if this pond can be funded. Couture will review the 2012 project design summary and plans and provide feedback after meeting with Dan Peck. Some items may need to be broken into phases (sections). It may not be possible to use the old pond while building the new one. Walker will forward the plans to the group.

4. Updates.

- **4.1. Marion Forks/Minto** (Grenbemer) Marion Forks is on the third week of marking and crews are working on some electrical upgrades. At Minto, collections have been steady with over 1650 fish. To date counts are: 278 non-marked Chinook and 35 non marked steelhead. 500 marked Chinook have been collected for brood, 700 have been sequestered for outplanting and ~300 have been outplanted to the N. Santiam to date. The pipes will be installed in the first week of August for the Breitenbush release sites. A crane for screen cleaning will come down to Minto on 20 July. Traylor suggested purchasing a scissor lift instead of renting the boom truck. Traylor will try to fund Detroit using FY18 money to purchase scissor lift. It would then be housed at Minto.
- **4.2. South Santiam/Foster** (Boyd) The trap caught 602 spring Chinook last week and a season total of 3,606 fish. Outplants above Foster totaled 19 Chinook this week and 154 for the season. For summer steelhead, only 319 have been caught in the trap. The hatchery is using year end money to finish some lighting projects. The money will be focused on things that get used more often. The bank of the River Bend site needs to be repaired. Dalgliesh is working on this with Traylor. For Foster, Chinook are still coming in plenty of fish for the food bank and broodstock. Fish are schooling in front of Foster but not stacking up like last year. The flows from the dam appear to be the same as last year.
- **4.3. McKenzie** (Kremers) There are plenty of fish for outplanting and the food bank. The electrical work is completed. The hatchery is in a transition personnel wise with some people retiring and a new seasonal being hired.
- **4.4.** Cougar Trap (Helms) A total of 129 Chinook have returned to the facility -125 unmarked and four marked. Out of the 125 taken down stream, 31 have been recaptured. A total of 35 fish have been outplanted above the dam. Four bull trout have returned. AWS pumps are off because the cooling system housing the pumps is overheating but it is not affecting returns thus far. McKenzie released 42 yellow floy tagged fish and asked that Cougar crews let them know if any fish are caught.
- **4.5. Fall Creek** (Garletts) A total of 277 non-marked Chinook have returned with ~ 50/50 split on sexes. Outplanting is going well. Construction is moving along. Fish numbers are: 277 non-marked Chinook, 50 marked Chinook, 1 summer steelhead and 6 winter steelhead. Infection rates are 10% or less of copepods on the gills and many healed predation injuries. The upper fall creek release site has consistent temperature differentials above and below the dam and water quality is okay.
- **4.6.** Willamette/Dexter (Peck) Lots of rainbow trout activity right now. About 1400 Chinook have been moved up to the hatchery. Mortality rates have been low so far. The hatchery is short staffed. They are making a plan to cover outplanting but probably not genetic sampling. The Willamette stock held at McKenzie are doing okay. There are still ~280 females out of the 300 pairs. On 27 June, ODFW transferred 154 males to the Malheur release site. Ten fish were radio tagged at the release site. By the end of day, 50 fish were harvested. Dexter collection for genetic study needs staff. USACE Willamette Valley staff may be able to help with outplanting activities.
- **4.7. Leaburg** (Couture) They are down to minimal staff but no fish issues. Energy upgrades are 95% complete. There was a small electrical fire causing burned out motor that has to be rebuilt.
- **4.8. Fish counts at Bennett and Leaburg** (Sharpe) No update.

- **4.9. Spring Chinook HMGPs** Four HGMPs went out for public review and comments. The comment period is now closed. NOAA is working on the EIS but the NEPA process takes a long time. NOAA is hoping to get the EIS out for review in late summer.
- **4.10. Trout Contract Update** The COE contracting office received trout contract proposals and evaluated them. The technical team completed their report on their findings. The next step is for the small business advocate to revise that portion of the report. After the report is completed, the contracting office will make the final decision. The target is for the contract to award at the end of the month.