

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: DRAFT minutes for the 20 September 2017 HMT meeting.

The meeting was held as a conference call. In attendance:

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

1. Action Items.

1.1. [June 16] Willamette/Dexter – No Action. Traylor should have info on funding in FY18 at the October HMT.

2. Updates.

2.1. Marion Forks/Minto (Grenbemer) No update, but spawning is concluding and with recent precipitation, outplanting into routine locations is resuming and anticipated to meet target numbers.

2.2. South Santiam/Foster (Boyd) – The hatchery was spawning today, along with Wednesday and Friday of last week. They currently have spawned around 400 pairs. Collection total is over 6,100 spring Chinook for the season. Sharpe mentioned that survey crews are seeing lots of spawning activity below Foster, but it appears to be less intense than last year. A total of 239 unmarked spring Chinook have been outplanted above Foster thus far.

2.3. McKenzie (Kremers) – Kremers reported a large spring Chinook run, with around 6,400 fish returning to the hatchery thus far. Of those, 103 have been unmarked adults. After being marked and released, only a few have returned to the hatchery a second time. McKenzie has spawned 376 females so far, and retained about 1.5 million eggs. The hatchery obtained 100 marked adults from the Leaburg trapping operations. Staff have outplanted 475 adults (125 males, 350 females) at the Frissell Crossing site so far, but have experienced complications reaching outplanting sites due to fires in the area. 160 adults have been outplanted into the Mohawk, primarily high in the system. A few tours at the hatchery were canceled due to smoke, but air quality has recently cleared. Bruce has officially retired and a new seasonal was hired on September 1st. The permanent position was also filled and will start on October 1st.

2.4. Cougar Trap (Helms) – Thus far, 247 adults have returned to the facility. Of those, 241 are non-marked. Non-marked adults have been released below Cougar dam at Forest Glen with a double floy tag. 155 double floy tag adults have returned a second time to the Cougar Facility and were placed above the dam.

- 2.5. Fall Creek** (Garletts) – A total of 288 non-marked and 65 marked Chinook have returned thus far. Outplanting is going well and despite the local fires, crews are still able to access the “Site C” outplanting site. Construction on the new facility continues.
- 2.6. Willamette/Dexter** (Peck) – No update. Spawning is underway and continuing.
- 2.7. Leaburg** (Couture) – The hatchery is down to minimal staff but no fish issues to report.
- 2.8. Fish counts at Bennett and Leaburg** (Sharpe) – As of September 20th, combined Bennett dam counts show 4,204 marked Chinook and 883 non-marked Chinook have passed. As of September 13th, Leaburg counts show 1,429 unmarked Chinook and 390 marked Chinook have passed. Unfortunately, EWEB needed to readjust flow, shifting back towards the right bank, reducing attraction to the left bank ladder.

- 3. Fish Counts.** The group discussed the fish count spreadsheet included in the contract. Sharpe suggested some possible modifications that would ease duplication of effort while still providing all the necessary information. He will distribute a draft to the group.