



Grant County
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Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

9:00 am

Wanapum Dam Maintenance Center Conference Room

Audio: 1-800-977-8002 Bridge: 45582544

PRCC Representatives

Scott Carlon, Justin Yeager (Alt), NMFS
Bob Rose, YN
Jeff Korth, C. Andonaegui (Alt), P. Verhey (Alt), WDFW
Curt Dotson, Tom Dresser (Alt), GCPUD
Denny Rohr, D. Rohr & Assoc, Facilitator

Jim Craig, USFWS
Kirk Truscott, CCT
Tom Skiles, CTUIR
Orlene Hahn, GCPUD, Administrative Assistant

TOURING ITINERAY

9:00 am: Meet at Wanapum Dam Maintenance Facilities – (The buildings on the right near the entrance of the Wanapum Dam access road. The meeting room is behind a secure gate; therefore, we will gather near the outside of the gate, and after everyone has arrived we will open the gate to move our vehicles inside near the meeting room).

9:30 – 11:45 am: Touring of 2015 Smolt Survival Study Activities (including helicopter transport, tagging, holding, etc); we will also tour the Wanapum Fish Bypass and view some of the Wanapum Dam Fracture details.

12:00 noon: Return to the Wanapum Maintenance Center for a catered lunch in our meeting room.

PRCC MEETING AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Meeting Minutes (D. Rohr)
 - A. Affirmation of Korth Approval for February 25, 2015
 - B. Approval for March 25, 2015
 - C. Approval for April 22, 2015
- III. Agenda Review (D. Rohr)
- IV. Action Items Review from April 22, 2015 Meeting (D. Rohr)
- V. Updates
 - A. Inland Avian Predation Activities (C. Dotson)

- B. Hatchery Activities (T. Dresser)
 - 1. Carlton Acclimation Facility
 - 2. Nason Creek Acclimation Facility
 - 3. Priest Rapids Hatchery Modifications
 - 4. Penticton Hatchery
- C. Hatchery Permits (Section 10 for Summer Chinook and Section 7 Consultation for Bull Trout. (T. Dresser)
- D. 2015 Smolt Survival Study (C. Dotson)
 - 1. Fish Mode Evaluation
 - 2. WFB FPE Evaluation
- VI. NNI Funded Projects
 - 1. 2014 Real Time Research Avian Study - Including "Comprehensive Assessment of Total Smolt Mortality in Relation to Avian Predation on the Mid- and Lower Columbia River: Spatial and Temporal Analysis of Reservoir-Specific Smolt Losses" (C. Dotson)
 - 2. Supplementary Tags and Tagging for Assessment of Predation Losses of Subyearling Chinook Salmon in the lower Hanford Reach and Upper McNary Reservoir (C. Dotson)
 - 3. 2015 Real Time Research / Oregon State University – "Evaluation of Foraging Behavior, Dispersal, and Predation on ESA-listed Salmonids from the Upper Columbia River by Caspian Terns Displaced from Managed Colonies in the Columbia Plateau Region" (C. Dotson)
 - 4. Upper Columbia Fish Screen Monitoring Program Phase I Contract Extension (J. Korth)
 - 5. Upper Columbia Fish Screen Monitoring Program Phase II (J. Korth)
 - 6. Lower Wenatchee Instream Flow Enhancement Project Phase II (J. Korth)
 - 7. Mid-Columbia River Intake Screen and Diversion Assessment (T. Dresser)
 - 8. Methow Valley Irrigation District (MVID) Instream Flow Improvement Project (T. Dresser)
- VII. Committee Reports (D. Rohr)
- VIII. NNI and Habitat Funds Report (D. Rohr)
- IX. Next Meeting – Wednesday, June 24, 2015, location TBD

Action Items from April 22, 2015 PRCC meeting

- 1. Rohr will follow up with PRCC members regarding details of the March 27th PRCC meeting to be held at Wanapum Dam and include a tour of PR Project facilities.
- 2. (Placeholder) Carlon and Dresser will do follow up work and prepare an SOA for May or June, 2015 discussion of how to address the 5 year check in language in the Salmon and Steelhead Settlement Agreement.
- 3. (Placeholder) Rohr will research and develop information regarding avian predation funding that has taken place in the Columbia River Basin, plus funding amounts of those involved (placeholder).