



Grant County **PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, January 28, 2015
9:00 am

Webinar Conference

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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

Debbie Williams, GCPUD, Administrative Assistant

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Meeting Minutes Approval – December 16, 2014 (D. Rohr)
- III. Agenda Review (D. Rohr)
- IV. Action Items Review – from December 16, 2014 (D. Rohr)
- V. Update of Wanapum Dam Activities (T. Dresser)
- VI. Survival/Behavioral Studies Final Report (C. Dotson)
- VII. Request for NNI Funding - Barkley Irrigation Company Permanent Point of Diversion Change and Pressurization- CONSTRUCTION, Justin Yeager, NMFS/Habitat SC (D. Rohr)
- VIII. AFFIRMATION of Approval for "SOA 2014-04, Change Sockeye Survival Study from Year 2016 to 2015" (D. Rohr)
- IX. 2015 Steelhead / Sockeye Study (C. Dotson)
- X. Discussion of Joint Meeting with Habitat SC (T. Dresser)
- XI. Potpourri (D. Rohr)

XII. 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. NNI Funded Projects
 - 1. 2014 Real Time Research Avian Study (C. Dotson)
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"
 - 2. 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)
 - 3. Supplementary Tags and Tagging for Assessment of Predation Losses of Subyearling Chinook Salmon in the lower Hanford Reach and Upper McNary Reservoir (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)
- E. Committee Reports (D. Rohr)
- F. NNI and Habitat Funds Report (D. Rohr)

XIII. Review of Next Month's Agenda Topics (D. Rohr)

XIV. Next Meeting – February 25, 2015, (specific location to be discussed)

Action Items from December 16, 2014 PRCC Meeting:

- 1. Rohr will follow up with email affirmation from Skiles and Truscott regarding SOA 2014-04.
- 2. 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. Rohr will research and develop information regarding avian predation funding that has taken place in the Columbia Basin, plus the funding amounts for those involved.
- 4. Dresser will check with the Grant Lands Department staff regarding information and follow up of 6 inactive points of diversion related to water withdrawals from the PR reservoir.