

FINAL Meeting Notes
Lewis River License Implementation
Aquatic Coordination Committee (ACC) Meeting
Aquatic Fund Subgroup
November 19, 2015
Merwin Hydro Control Center
Ariel, WA

ACC Participants Present (10)

Chris Karchesky, PacifiCorp
 Frank Shrier, PacifiCorp
 Baker Holden, USDA Forest Service
 Ruth Tracey, USDA Forest Service
 Peggy Miller, WDFW
 Pat Frazier, WDFW
 Bryce Glaser, WDFW
 Kale Bentley, WDFW
 Shannon Wills, Cowlitz Indian Tribe
 Karen Adams, LCFRB

Calendar:

December 10, 2015	ACC Meeting	Merwin Hydro
December 10, 2015	M&E Plan Sub-Group	Merwin Hydro
January 7, 2016	Aquatic Fund Sub-Group Meeting	Merwin Hydro

Assignments from November 19, 2015	Status
All Participants to review the Synthesis Matrix under suggested format from Ruth Tracy	Ongoing

Opening, Review of Agenda and Meeting Notes

Frank Shrier (PacifiCorp) called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. and reviewed the agenda.

Aquatic Fund Process Review

Frank Shrier (PacifiCorp) asked the participants to weigh in on the Aquatic Fund Administrative Procedures document to see if there is any desire to modify any components. There were no changes or reviews requested. Pat Frazier (WDFW) said the process document is fine, and he thought the purpose of this meeting was to focus on the Synthesis matrix (Matrix) and other tools the project proponents should be using to apply for future funding. Shrier agreed but said he just wanted to make sure we weren't missing a step here.

Shrier reiterated, then, that the two goals for this group to keep in mind were to establish a process for securing landowner acknowledgement/access and to reflect expectations of applicants to review the Matrix and the Salmon Recovery interactive maps as tools for developing pre and full proposals in advance of their proposal submittal to the ACC.

The sub-group then launched into looking more closely at the Matrix. Shrier also pulled up the LCFRB Interactive map (Map) (<http://www.lowercolumbiasalmonrecovery.org/mappage>) to

compare with the Matrix. There was general discussion as to how the Map relates to the Aquatic Proposal Fund process. Shrier explained that the Matrix was color coded to coincide with the Map Tier reaches but the intent of the coding was to see the relationship between Map and Matrix but not to insinuate that the Aquatic Funding process be driven by the Map or the SRF Board process. The idea was to evaluate future Aquatic Fund proposals for their effectiveness and contribution to the recovery process and the Lewis River Reintroduction program. (<http://www.lowercolumbiasalmonrecovery.org/mappage>).

Ruth Tracy (USDA FS) brought up how the GPNF looks at habitat restoration and that the Tornado Diagrams from the EDT report (<http://www.lcfrb.gen.wa.us/#!/library/c1tqm>, proceed to North Fork Lewis and page 45) were more in line with how the Forest looks at potential projects. She suggested we try to incorporate information from the Tornado diagrams into the Matrix.

Shrier interjected that the best way to address this is for each member of the sub-group to take on a particular tab of the Matrix and to vet that with the Tornado diagrams by reach. With that, Tracy committed the Forest staff to look at the Muddy River and its tributaries and Shannon Wills (Cowlitz Indian Tribe) agreed to take on Pine Creek and its tributaries. Frazier and Karen Adams (LCFRB) committed to take on the mainstem Lewis and Shrier said PacifiCorp would take on what is left with all of us focusing on the Upper watershed (Swift dam and above) for now. Miller suggested that since she does not know the habitat, she could take on looking at the information by species and checking that against the Map for Chinook. Shrier said he could take that same approach for steelhead and coho. Tracy said she would try to come up with an example of how the Matrix might be changed to be more useful.

Adams asked when they needed to get the changes to PacifiCorp. First, Shrier asked when we can meet again and the group settled on January 7, 2016 at noon to 3 with a working lunch. Then Shrier requested materials from the various members by December 22, 2015 to allow time to incorporate all the responses.

< Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. >

Agenda items for January 7, 2016

- November 19, 2015 Meeting Notes
- Review inputs from sub-group member on the Synthesis Matrix

Next Scheduled Meeting:

January 7, 2016
Merwin Hydro Control Center
Ariel, WA
12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Handouts & Attachments:

- Copies of the Synthesis Matrix Master disks
- Aquatic Fund Administrative Procedures – Attachment A
- Aquatic Fund Administrative Procedures – Attachment B
- Aquatic Fund Administrative Procedures – Attachment 1