

FINAL Meeting Notes
Lewis River License Implementation
Terrestrial Coordination Committee (TCC) Meeting
November 14, 2007
Longview, WA

TCC Participants Present: (10)

Brock Applegate, WDFW
 Kendel Emmerson, PacifiCorp Energy
 Diana Gritten-MacDonald, Cowlitz PUD
 Eric Holman, WDFW
 Mike Iyall, Cowlitz Indian Tribe
 Lou Ellyn Jones, USFWS (via teleconference 10:00am – 11:40am)
 Curt Leigh, WDFW (via teleconference 9:00am – 10:00am)
 Kimberly McCune, PacifiCorp Energy
 Bob Nelson, RMEF (via teleconference 9:00am – 10:00am)
 Todd Olson, PacifiCorp Energy

Calendar:

December 12, 2007	TCC Meeting	Merwin Hydro Facility
December 13, 2007	ACC Meeting	Merwin Hydro Facility

Assignments from November 14th Meeting:	Status
Emmerson: To provide documentation (e.g. maps or memo) demonstrating how the mink HSI model 100m cover variable will be determine using vegetation cover types.	In process
McCune: Email the Lewis River Yale Land Fund financial spreadsheet as of 10/31/07 to all TCC participants.	Complete – 11/14/07
McCune: Email the Daily News article link to the TCC for their review, relating to ATV use on PacifiCorp lands.	Complete – 11/14/07
McCune: Email a Word version of both the draft raptor and wetland WHMP chapters for, per Brock Applegate’s request.	Complete – 11/14/07
McCune: Mail hard copies or an electronic version of the WHMP Draft Raptor and Wetland chapters to all TCC participants not in attendance who have requested the documents.	Complete – 11/14/07

Assignments from October 10th Meeting:	Status
Emmerson: Revise the Classification of Vegetation Cover Types as Suitable Northern Spotted Owl Habitat - Lewis River Wildlife Habitat Management Area Memorandum and redistribute to the TCC as the final approved version.	Complete – 10/10/07
Emmerson: Revise Mink Habitat Suitability Index Memorandum and redistribute to the TCC as the final approved version.	Complete – 10/10/07

Assignments from September 12th Meeting:	Status
Naylor/Emmerson: Incorporate the following text into the Forest Management chapter of the WHMP, " <i>Prior to any harvest, the areas will be evaluated (ground truth) to determine whether or not the area qualifies as NSO habitat.</i> "	In process
McCune: Email Attachment C, Management Alternatives relating to HEP assumptions to the TCC for their review.	Complete – 9/14/07
Emmerson: Revise the NSO memorandum, distribute to the TCC and request final approval at the October 10, 2007 TCC meeting.	Complete – 9/20/07

Parking lot items from February 10th Meeting:	Status
PacifiCorp Wildlife Habitat Management Plan (WHMP) Budget (annual)	
Conservation Agreement – what is wanted?	Ongoing – 4/28/06

Review of Agenda

Todd Olson (PacifiCorp Energy) called the meeting to order at 9:10am. Kendel Emmerson (PacifiCorp Energy) conducted a review of the agenda for the day and requested if the TCC had any additions to the agenda.

Diana Gritten-MacDonald (Cowlitz PUD) requested one addition to the agenda relating to the PUD's repair of the Dry Creek culvert.

Finalize Meeting Notes

Emmerson reviewed the TCC Draft 10/10/07 meeting notes with the TCC attendees and asked for any comments and/or additional changes other than those submitted via email by WDFW. The TCC agreed to modify the third sentence in the second paragraph of new text provided by WDFW, which shall read as follows:

PacifiCorp, although not required, should not reduce their SI data collection to WHMP lands until the TCC runs the HEP in Year 17, after the completion of purchase of all the WHMP lands.

In addition, Gritten-MacDonald requested a change on page 2, first sentence in the first paragraph to read as follows:

Gritten-MacDonald informed the TCC attendees that the Dry Creek culvert immediately upstream of State Hwy 503 Spur is failing.

The meeting notes were approved with requested changes at 9:30am.

Lands Update Discussion

Olson and Kimberly McCune (PacifiCorp Energy) provided an update relating to interests in certain lands, however, this discussion is considered confidential and proprietary and not for public viewing.

Eric Holman (WDFW) asked for the current balance in the Yale Fund. McCune will email the Lewis River Yale Land Fund financial spreadsheet (**Attachment A**) as of 10/31/07 to all TCC participants.

Dry Creek Culvert Repair

Gritten-MacDonald informed the TCC attendees that the repair of the Dry Creek culvert immediately upstream of State Hwy 503 Spur is complete. The steel plate has been installed and 3-4 trees have been cut down which were at risk of falling. In addition, the PUD has requested contractor bids for the removal of rock and their engineering staff will have a plan ready soon for the future removal of the culvert.

Public Meeting (10/17/07) Update and Discussion

Olson provided an update of the Lewis River Public Meeting - Implementation of Settlement Agreement which took place on 10/17/07. Olson informed the TCC attendees that approximately 45 attendees were at the meeting and a PowerPoint was presented to provide details regarding the efforts thus far. The PowerPoint can be located on the Lewis River website at the following location: <http://www.pacificorp.com/Article/Article76313.html>

Olson further expressed that PacifiCorp received good feedback from the attendees and that ATV (motorized vehicle) enthusiasts were predominately represented. Certain members of the Cougar Area Trail Seekers (CATS) asked questions about how they might obtain approval for ATV trails and why motorized trails are not allowed on PacifiCorp lands. Many attendees asked how they could write to the FERC and work with the settlement agreement parties to change the decision on ATV use on wildlife lands. Olson communicated that he made it clear at the public meeting that lands were set aside for wildlife and limited non-motorized vehicle use.

In the past month, PacifiCorp has installed 16 new gates and posted more signs to take measures to protect wildlife habitat.

Olson also informed the TCC attendees that an article recently published in the Daily News, which the TCC may find of interest. McCune will email the following link to the TCC for their review. http://www.tdn.com/articles/2007/11/09/this_day/doc473480cb7ee9c095933957.txt

Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) Update and Discussion

Olson informed the TCC attendees that a large majority of the public comments received thus far are in regards to private property owners wanting the allowance to build docks on their property. PacifiCorp is responding to each public correspondence that their comments will be included in the SMP consultation record. In addition, PacifiCorp is developing draft shoreline categories in light of resource locations (i.e., sensitive/critical areas, cultural areas, wildlife resource areas, hydro lands and integrated lands [private ownership with no resource value]). The team is using known GIS overlays for each reservoir. In addition, PacifiCorp is working on identifying what might be allowed within each category of shoreline.

General discussion took place regarding engineered requirements of allowable docks, dock standards available on the NOAA Fisheries website for viewing, approvals from all applicable agencies (city, county, state) remain unchanged, no provision that water is guaranteed under the docks as this is a working reservoir, suggest renewable permits, shared docks systems, fish cleaning area, houseboats not permitted and speed limits/no wake zones.

PacifiCorp plans to submit draft shoreline categories and allowable uses to the TCC and ACC for review and comment at the December 2007 meetings.

<Break 10:20am>

<Reconvene 10:30am>

Overview of Draft Wildlife Habitat Management Plan (WHMP) Chapters

McCune provided hard copies to each TCC attendee of the WHMP Draft Raptor Site Management and Wetland Habitat Management for their review. McCune will promptly mail hard copies or an electronic version to all TCC participants not in attendance who have requested the documents.

Raptor – Emmerson provided a quick overview of the draft raptor chapter to include *Appendix X-1 – Vegetation cover types that provide suitable habitat for potentially breeding raptors on WHMP lands*. Components of the chapter include: raptor management area, monitoring, management actions, protocol surveys (Northern Goshawk, Northern Spotted Owl (NSO), Peregrine Falcon, Bald eagle nest productivity aerial), bald eagle roost monitoring, habitat enhancement, best management practices, specific NSO best management practices, federal listed species, conservation measures and schedule & estimated effort.

Wetlands – Emmerson provided a quick review of the draft chapter *Appendix X-1 Wetlands on WHMP Lands*. Components of the chapter include: water control structure, wetland habitat management areas, managed and unmanaged wetlands, initial evaluation, annual inspections, management actions, habitat enhancement for yellow warbler, mink, waterfowl and bat, management for bull frog and great blue heron colony and schedule & effort.

Emmerson requested the TCC comment on the draft raptor and wetland chapters preferably **on or before Wednesday, December 5, 2007** and to focus on whether or not the chapters meet the needs of the *Lewis River Wildlife Habitat Management Plan Standards & Guidelines Document – July 2006*.

Brock Applegate (WDFW) requested a Word version of both draft chapters which McCune will email to his attention.

In addition, the TCC was notified that these draft chapters contain certain sensitive information not intended for the general public and ask that if they share this information please do so with other TCC or ACC participants only at this time.

Schedule 2008 Meetings

The TCC agreed that the 2008 meetings will be scheduled on the second Wednesday of every month to be conducted and alternated at the Merwin Hydro Facility (Ariel, WA), Cowlitz PUD (Longview, WA) and USFWS's Lacey Office (Lacey, WA) unless agreed otherwise. The 2008 Meeting Calendar can be located on the Lewis River website at:

<http://www.pacificorp.com/File/File77568>

New Topics/Issues

Olson informed that the FERC is non-committal with regard to the expected date of license issuance. However, the FERC did say they are working on the licenses. Based on the conversation Olson had with FERC, we are anticipating license issuance the end of 1st quarter 2008 or early 2nd quarter 2008.

Next Meeting's Agenda

- Lands Update Discussion
- Review of TCC comments: WHMP Draft Chapters (Raptor and Wetland)
- Review and discussion of 2 examples relating to Mink HSI values
- SMP Draft Categories and Allowable Uses – Review and discussion

Meeting adjourned at 11:50am.

Next Scheduled Meetings

December 12, 2007	January 9, 2008
Merwin Hydro Facility	Cowlitz PUD
Ariel, WA	Longview, WA
9:00am – 3:00pm	9:00am – 3:00pm

Handouts

1. Agenda
2. Draft meeting notes from 10/10/07
3. Lewis River Yale Land Fund financial spreadsheet as of 10/31/07, **Attachment A**

Lewis River License Implementation
Lewis River Yale Land Fund
Section 10.1 - 10.1.1

Funding Start Date: 4/1/05

Release Date	Funds Received	Expense	Interest	Balance	Notes
12/31/05				\$ 1,573,922.62	Contributions in 2003 dollars, adjusted for inflation Fixed prime rate nearest April 1 of each year
4/30/06	\$ 1,081,853.45				
12/31/06			\$ 90,500.56	\$ 2,746,276.63	
10/31/07			\$ 212,836.46	\$ 2,959,113.09	
Total Spent to Date:			\$ -		
Running Total:			\$ 2,959,113.09		