

Meeting Notes  
**Lewis River License Implementation**  
**Terrestrial Coordination Committee (TCC) Meeting**  
**December 8, 2010**

**TCC Participants Present: (12)**  
**CONFERENCE CALL**

Susan Cierebiej, WDFW  
 Ray Croswell, RMEF  
 LouEllyn Jones, USFWS  
 Kirk Naylor, PacifiCorp Energy  
 Bob Nelson, RMEF  
 Nathan Reynolds, Cowlitz Indian Tribe  
 Bill Richardson, RMEF  
 Cheri Kearney, Columbia Land Trust  
 Diana MacDonald, Cowlitz PUD  
 Mitch Wainwright, USFS  
 Eric Holman, WDFW  
 John Clapp, member of the public

**Calendar:**

January 12, 2011	TCC Meeting (likely a conference call)	Conference Call
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<b>Assignments from January 13, 2010 Meeting:</b>	<b>Status</b>
Naylor: Create a land acquisition spreadsheet to include type designations for the TCC review and approval as necessary.	<b>Pending</b>

<b>Parking lot items from February 10, 2006 Meeting:</b>	<b>Status</b>
Conservation Agreement – what is wanted?	<b>Ongoing – 4/28/06</b>

<b>Parking lot items from October 13, 2010 Meeting</b>	<b>Status</b>
Plan / discuss opportunities for future resource conference and field review of PacifiCorp WHMP implementation measures	<b>Pending</b>

**Review of Agenda and Finalize Meeting Notes**

Kirk Naylor (PacifiCorp Energy) called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Naylor asked if the TCC attendees had any additions or changes to the agenda. PacifiCorp added that there would be updates provided on the BPA power line studies and discussion regarding a tree issue at the Merwin HCC area. No other additions were requested.

Naylor reviewed the TCC Draft 11/10/10 meeting notes and asked for any comments and/or additional changes. The meeting notes were approved at 9:15 a.m. without change.

## **Bald Eagle Roost Surveys**

Naylor announced to the TCC that BPA had selected Mason, Bruce and Girard as the consulting firm to conduct the bald eagle winter roost surveys and to collect vegetation type data along a potential route of their proposed 500 kV transmission line where it intersects WHMP lands. The surveys include both the known winter roost near Yale and potential habitat near Merwin Dam. The TCC will receive an update in spring when the first year of the surveys is completed.

## **Trees and Merwin HCC**

Naylor described 8 big-leaf maple trees that are located adjacent and between the entry roads and service roads at the Merwin Hydro Control Center. The trees were identified by the area production manager as hazardous because 2 large limbs have come down out of the trees in recent storms. Additionally they were identified as a maintenance issue due to all the leaves and he had requested the trees to be removed. Naylor identified that the trees were technically in the boundary of the WHMP (based on Settlement Agreement maps). Naylor told the TCC that it was likely an error that this administrative area was included in the WHMP area because it is typed as a riparian mixed habitat and it is clearly unassociated with the riparian area located on the other side of a cyclone security fence. The TCC discussed the issue and it was concluded that only trees determined to be a safety risk should be removed. Removing trees to reduce maintenance costs was not considered an appropriate reason to remove the trees. The boundary of the WHMP cannot be moved by authority of the TCC, even if it is likely an error.

## **Columbia Land Trust Update (CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION EXCLUDED)**

Cheri Kearny (Columbia Land Trust) communicated to the TCC attendees the current status of interests in certain Swift lands. A Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) has been signed that includes both fee simple purchase and development easements for properties in the vicinity of Swift Reservoir. The Phase I conservation easement using Forest Legacy Grants has been approved by both the seller and buyer and is scheduled to close in December. The Phase II area is still in the due diligence process and if all parties come to agreement it is scheduled to close by April 30, 2011. Phase III is contingent on additional funding and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Forest Legacy Grant has been applied for. The detailed content of this portion of the meeting is considered confidential and proprietary and not for public viewing.

## **Yale Lands Update (CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION EXCLUDED)**

Bill Richardson (RMEF) updated the TCC attendees that the PSA due diligence phases for the Yale parcel of interest had been completed and the seller has submitted their response to the appraisal. The TCC discussed all aspects of the survey, appraisal and counter offer in detail as well as the merit of the habitat in respect to the Settlement Agreement requirements. Naylor identified the accounting from the Yale Land Acquisition and Habitat Protection Fund and the Lewis River Land Acquisition and Habitat Protection Fund. Following discussion, a vote was requested to see if any TCC member was not in favor of continuing with a purchase of the property. No TCC members were opposed. Secondly, all TCC members were poled individually with respect to their organization to identify if they supported acquisition of the property at the value identified by the

selling party. All representatives supported proceeding with the acquisition. The detailed content of this portion of the meeting is considered confidential and proprietary and not for public viewing.

**THE TCC VOTED TO APPROVE AND PROCEED WITH CLOSING ON THE YALE PARCEL OF INTEREST BASED ON THE COUNTER OFFER OF THE SELLER**

**Swift Land Updates (CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION EXCLUDED)**

Bill Richardson (RMEF) updated the TCC attendees that the PSA due diligence phases for the Swift parcel of interest had been completed. The TCC discussed all aspects of the survey and appraisal in detail as well as the merit of the habitat to the intent of the Settlement Agreement. Naylor identified the accounting from the Swift No.1 and Swift No. 2 Land Acquisition and Habitat Protection Fund. Following discussion, a vote was requested to see if any TCC member was not in favor of continuing with a purchase of the property. No TCC members were opposed. Secondly, all TCC members were poled individually with respect to their organization to identify if they supported acquisition of the property at the value identified by the PSA. All representatives supported proceeding with the acquisition. The detailed content of this portion of the meeting is considered confidential and proprietary and not for public viewing.

**THE TCC VOTED TO PROCEED WITH CLOSING ON THE PSA PRICE WITH RESPECT TO THE SWIFT PARCEL OF INTEREST**

**Next Meeting's Agenda**

- Review of 12/08/10 Meeting Notes
- Lands Update

**Public Comment Opportunity**

No public comment was provided.

**Next Scheduled Meetings**

TCC attendees agreed that the November 2010 meeting would likely be a conference call.

January 12, 2011	February 9, 2011 (TBD)
Merwin Hydro Control Center	Merwin Hydro Control Center
Ariel, WA	Ariel, WA
9:00am – 3:00pm	9:00am – 3:00pm

Adjourn 11:00 a.m.