



## **UCSRB CONFERENCE CALL**

UCSRB Building  
415 King Street  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Wednesday, February 13, 2008  
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:** Keith Kutchins for Bill Towey, Colville Confederated Tribes  
Paul Ward, Yakama Nation  
Chuck Jones for Mary Hunt, Douglas County  
Ron Walter, Chelan County  
Bud Hover, Okanogan County

Julie Morgan, UCSRB Executive Director  
Derek Van Marter, UCSRB Associate Director  
James R. White, UCSRB Data Steward  
Barbara Carrillo, UCSRB Administrative Assistant

**Others Present:** Dennis Beich, WDFW; Lee Carlson, Yakama Nation; Mike Rickel, Cascadia Conservation District; Phil Miller, GSRO; Pamela Nelle, Terraqua, Inc.; Ken Sletten, Okanogan County Salmon Recovery Steering Committee

### Action Items :

1. UCSRB staff will contact key legislators regarding funding for the Upper Columbia selective fisheries.
2. Questions to Bob Lohn will be modified to include recovery plan implementation and the role of local buy-in.
3. Keith Kutchins will further refine his H-Integration presentation for a future UCSRB meeting.

**The meeting was called to order at 1:06 PM by Chair, Paul Ward.**

### **Welcome and Introductions (Paul Ward).**

Paul Ward welcomed the group and introductions were made around the room.

#### **1. Revised agenda approval.**

Paul asked for approval of the revised agenda and all approved.

#### **2. DC Coordination Briefing and Schedule (Carlson and Carrillo)**

- Lee Carlson gave an overview of the most recent updates to the DC briefing document. He also reviewed the major points of discussion and asked for

comments. Ron recommended enlarging the bullet points on the front page and increasing the font size.

- Barbara Carrillo gave an overview of the DC meeting schedule. Ron Walter mentioned that he, Mary Hunt and Bud Hover will be in DC for the National Association of Counties legislative conference. Ron also noted that a DC Board debriefing session will need to take place at the March 27<sup>th</sup> Board meeting as well as when the legislators are here in August for the Tour.

### **3. UC Selective Fisheries Funding Coordination (Ward)**

- Paul Ward reviewed the response letter the UCSRB recently received from Governor Gregoire regarding the Upper Columbia selective fisheries funding request. He also mentioned that we need to continue to pursue funding with Olympia on the issue. Mike Rickel from the Cascadia Conservation District mentioned that he will contact the Entiat Landowners and recommend they contact legislators regarding funding. Dennis Beich also reviewed that WDFW has had this item in their supplemental budget to the Governor for some time but a recommendation was not forwarded to the legislature. Paul Ward mentioned he will follow up with Julie Morgan on this item so she can contact the appropriate people in the legislature.

### **4. H-Integration (OoSE) – Trains that are Leaving the Station (Kutchins)**

- Keith Kutchins gave a presentation to the Board regarding H-integration. A list of questions were also reviewed to present to Bob Lohn, Regional Administrator of NOAA Fisheries, who will be attending the March 27th Board meeting to address the Board's concerns regarding H-integration. Keith outlined various elements of the presentation and questions and asked for comments. Lee Carlson commented that talking with Bob Lohn, NOAA Fisheries, at the March 27th Board meeting will give us a starting point to address all organizations involved and to begin to ask the right questions. Ron Walter mentioned the cultural differences of various organizations and entities and the values that various organizations bring to the table. He also mentioned that public buy-in is critical. Bud Hover mentioned that we need to keep a good rapport with citizens as well. Dennis Beich mentioned that section 10 permits are an issue and he would like to have that discussed next month with Bob as well. Ron Walter noted that in addition to the other questions currently slated for Bob Lohn regarding H-integration, he would like to see a third question regarding public buy-in. Keith will further refine his presentation and bring it back to the Board.

### **5. ISEMP BPA Amendment Request (Nelle)**

- Pamela Nelle presented a request to the Board for approval of a part-time, temporary, data entry technician to update the historical 2003-2006 data that has been collected into the ATM's. The BPA has already paid for this and the proposal is only for an amendment between the UCSRB and the BPA in the current contract. The amount is for \$5,000 for April through June for 25 hours a week to update the database.

*Bud Hover made a motion to approve the request to make a contract amendment between the UCSRB and the BPA for a temporary data entry position. Ron Walter seconded the motion and all approved.*

**Public Comment**

Ken Sletten of the Okanogan County Salmon Recovery Steering Committee called in and briefed the Board regarding a recommendation for an Aquifer Recharge Notice for the Methow Valley for the next state budget cycle.

**Adjourn Meeting**

Paul Ward adjourned the conference call at 2:35 PM.

**Summary of Motions**

*Bud Hover made a motion to approve the request to make a contract amendment between the UCSRB and the BPA for a temporary data entry position. Ron Walter seconded the motion and all approved.*

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