

## Meeting Notes

**11 Feb 2009**

**Location:** Douglas County Land and Transportation Services Building,  
140 19<sup>th</sup> St NW, East Wenatchee

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**Attendees:** Cameron Thomas, Tom Kahler, John Arterburn, Russell Langshaw, Tracy Hillman, Carmen Andonaegui, Chuck Peven, Kate Terrell, Casey Baldwin, Joe Lange, Keely Murdoch, Karl Polivka, James White, John Crandall, Tom Gibbons, Rich Malinowski, Pamela Nelle, Ken Bevis, Jennifer Molesworth, Steve Kolk,

**1) Updates:** James White gave the update for the UCSRB. One of the upcoming activities is the Community Salmon Fund, and applications are due March 4th. Casey said he had been in contact with the CSF organizer and that the RTT technical review needs to take place between March 9<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup>. Tracy suggested that Casey help out with the scoring of projects this year, if not enough other RTT members were available for the review. Cameron and Kate volunteered to help with the review. Casey will try to recruit one more person, or participate himself if no one else is available.

**MaDMC:** Keely and James said the monitoring coordination meeting in Chelan (Feb 9) was well attended and productive. Pamela and James will be circulating the notes from that meeting. Casey and John Crandall discussed the Methow monitoring inventory that John and the MRC had prepared and circulated for review. Keely suggested that reviewing it should be a topic for the MaDMC at their next meeting, which should occur on or around the March RTT meeting.

Tracy mentioned that a BiOp technical group that he is involved with could use some input with respect to RPA 56. RPA 56 is for a pilot study in the Upper Columbia that is to conduct research to help update habitat-fish survival models. Tracy said the habitat requirements and the metrics for measuring those requirements need to be better defined and linked to the actions that are supposed to be reducing limiting factors. Tracy will circulate a document for unofficial review and comments.

Casey described the recent workshop that brought together the Entiat implementers with ISEMP and the RTT to discuss the monitoring design and implementation plan. He said they made progress in answering the questions Chris Jordan had posed in his presentation to the RTT at the January RTT meeting. The dialogue between the 3 groups will continue this spring during the WAT meetings and additional meetings with ISEMP.

### **RTT biological priority reaches and actions:**

Casey handed out and projected the spreadsheet that the workgroup had created. The RTT worked through the priorities and edited the language and text with input from others until everyone agreed, or were too tired to discuss it any further. Casey said he

would be preparing a memo to go with the spreadsheet to help explain what it was, why we created it, and how it was related to other documents and products.

Casey handed out the schedule of WAT meetings from February to May and said he needed help presenting the work product and working with the WAT to use it to help them update their implementation schedules and mid-range work plans (see funding coordination memo). Casey agreed to follow up with e-mails and phone calls to try and get people signed up to attend the meetings.

A request was made to finish the meeting in closed session. Modifications of the memo to Washington Rivers Conservancy regarding the Pioneer Water Users product review were made and membership issues were discussed. Casey will further edit the memo to Washington Rivers Conservancy and circulate it for one more quick review.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50.