



Snake River Salmon Recovery Board

Meeting Minutes April 26, 2005

Board Members Present: Doug Mattoon, Dick Isaac, Jay Holzmilller, Dick Jones, Eric Myers, Butch Klaveano, Yancey Reser, Stuart Durfee, Ed Schultz

Board Members Present By Phone: Cathy LaRoque, Gary James, Del Groat

Others: Chris Hoffman (Norton Arnold), Don Jackson, Terry Bruegman (CCD), Bradley Johnson (ACCD), Steve Martin, Juli Post

Steve verified the quorum, 12 members present at the time the quorum was reviewed.

Welcome

Steve opened the meeting by welcoming the Board members and others present.

Approval of March 22nd Meeting Minutes

Steve requested the board review the meeting minutes and asked if there were any changes or corrections.

Action 1: Steve asked for a motion to approve the March 22nd board meeting minutes. Ed Schultz made a motion and Dick Isaac seconded. The board approved the motion by consensus.

Public Involvement Workshop and Public Comments

Steve presented the same information that was presented last week at the public involvement workshops for a final time to board members and guests. Butch Klaveano wondered how realistic the numbers sited in the viability curves of the public draft summary were compared to empirical knowledge.

Comments received tonight's workshop will be addressed in the June document, and include:

- ❖ It was mentioned that nowhere in the plan do we inventory the things we've already done in the region.
- ❖ The Pataha is an MSA but not critical habitat – how can this be?
- ❖ Ed wanted to know why Palouse was a different color on the map.
- ❖ Table 14 seems to capture the majority of actions but is there consistency in the cost-estimates and confidence that the costs reported are real? We understand NOAA wants to see costs associated with recovery to know that this can be implemented but we do not want to be constrained by the exact costs or held liable if we don't accomplish these voluntary actions.

Discussion Items

1. Schedule and events in May and June including May 5th Quarterly review and May 10th special meeting of the Board at 2PM. Final draft plan that includes public and agency comments will be available by May 23rd.

The following is the list of upcoming events:

- May 5, 2005 9AM agency review, board members welcome to attend.
- May 10, 2005 2PM board meets to review all comments from public on the draft plan summary.
- May 23, 2005 Final draft plan released.
- Move May 24th meeting to June 7th.

2. Synopsis of March 28 Gathering.

Steve let board members know that a DVD of the event is in the office. Eighty people attended that meeting and the general view was that the meeting went very well. Jay Holzmilller commented that he appreciated the speaker's viewpoints. Perception of the meeting was that we provided a clear message to the speakers who attended the meeting and we showcased all the projects that have been done in the region. Steve also expressed his appreciation for the help the board provided for the meeting.

3. Public workshops update

Chris Hoffman gave a short presentation focused on the draft plan. Chris talked about the previous set of workshops last September. He stated that he would have liked more people to show up but that the people who came provided good commentary. These workshops were mainly for the Public Summary but also for the entire version that was released on April 19th. One meeting was held in Clarkston, Washington and the other in Walla Walla. The meetings were advertised in a variety of ways, newspaper ads, articles in conservation district newsletters and press releases.

Chris described the table he is building that will be provided to the board. This table will have all the commentary from the public meetings and write in comments with recommendations (from Steve and Parametrix) on the action that should be taken with the comment.

A question was asked about implementation phase, which agency would be responsible for the implementation and how much would it cost.

Another question was how many people have responded to date to the plan and provided commentary. Twenty people have responded and made comments on the 80 page summary.

4. 2005-2007 proposed budget update; transition budget approach

Steve reminded the board that they preliminarily approved a budget in the February board meeting. Steve explained that because the budgets from all of the regional entities were larger than expected, those entities were requested to trim their budgets to a six month transition period. The budget was also to have listed specific tasks which included; EDT for Bull Trout, more specificity to the plan, incorporates more commentary that came after the cut-off, and better maps. In this six month transitional budget the Governor's Salmon Recovery Office wanted it very focused work that would make the plan more adoptable.

Jay Holzmillier wanted to know what the future looks like, he stated that we are all in this together. Steve commented that if we finish the plan it will give us more clout. Another comment was that Idaho is planning to copy are plan for their recovery principles in Idaho.

5. Legislative update

The legislation 5610 passed from both the house and the senate and is now being sent to the Governor for signing, partial veto or veto.

6. 6th Round Lead Entity Grant Cycle and relationship to Salmon Recovery Plan

Bradley Johnson presented information on the upcoming 6th Salmon Recovery Funding process from the Lead Entity program. The kick-off planning meeting will occur this coming Friday morning at the Snake River Salmon Recovery board office. Brad also gave information on the Salmon Recovery Funding Board’s grant cycle, who the lead entity group consists of. The project application process opens on May 2nd, 2005. During the scheduled planning meeting we will set up for the review panel to get organized and continue work on the scorecards. Use the website as much as possible for the announcement of project application process.

A question was raised about the status of the Lead Entity program. Steve explained that all counties have given there approval for the transfer, 5 of the 8 cities, and at this time neither tribe.

7. Date for Governor’s gathering to endorse Recovery Plan.

Suggestions included June 30th in our region, or sometime later this summer, Sacagawea Park. Steve will advance the question to the Governor’s Salmon Recovery Office.


8. Board member biographies

Juli handed out two sheets, one listing the items that needed update on the website, second a request for biographies from certain members of the board.

Action Items

1. Payment of \$212.06 for ACCD to cover unanticipated costs in assisting with recovery plan.

Cathy as a member of the budget committee provided background on the overage of \$212.06 from the Asotin County Conservation District. Cathy’s recommendation was to go ahead and pay the amount.

 Cathy requested that Juli convene the budget committee for a meeting in early May.

Action 1: Steve asked for a motion to approve the additional funds to be provided to the Asotin County Conservation District for payment on the regional coordination work. Yancey Reser made a motion and Dick Isaac seconded. The board approved the motion by consensus.

2. Transition budget approval.

The question was asked by Steve whether the Budget Committee had any comments on the Transition budget. The budget committee had no comment.

Action 2: Steve asked for a motion to approve 6 month transition budget. Yancey Reser made a motion and Stuart Durfee seconded. The board approved the motion by consensus.

3. Moving May 24 Board meeting to June 7 to provide final recommendations to contractors.

Steve made a request to move the May 24th board meeting to June 7th.

Action 3: Steve asked for a motion to move the May 24th board meeting to June 7th. Stuart Durfee made a motion and Ed Schultz seconded. The board approved the motion by consensus.


④ Steve will send by May 5th send an email containing the public comments list to the board.


④ Steve needs to present the current set of by-laws to the Board at its next meeting for review and later discussion/action.


Developing a letter of support for the draft Recovery Plan was identified as an action item but required no action because the decision to develop a letter support for the plan is up to the planning unit, not the recovery board.

Review of Tasks

Task Title

-  Cathy requested that Juli convene the budget committee for a meeting in early May.

-  Steve will send by May 5th send an email containing the public comments list to the board.

-  Steve needs to work on the update of the by-laws.

Review of Actions

Action Title	Motion	Second	Consensus	Vote	Pass
Meeting Minutes	Ed Schultz	Dick Isaac	Yes		Yes
1. Approve the additional funds to be provided to the Asotin County Conservation District for payment on the regional coordination work.	Yancey Reser	Dick Isaac	Yes		Yes
2. Approve 6 month transition budget.	Yancey Reser	Stuart Durfee	Yes		Yes
3. Move the May 24 th board meeting to June 7 th .	Stuart Durfee	Ed Schultz	Yes		Yes

Name	Attendance for 2005											
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Doug Mattoon	Yes		Yes	Yes								
Dick Isaac	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Jay Holzmiller	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Dick Ducharme		Yes	Yes									
Dick Jones	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Eric Myers	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Gary James	Yes		Yes	Yes								
Butch Klaveano	Yes	Yes		Yes								
Del Groat	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Gary Cole		Yes	Yes									
Cathy LaRoque	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Yancey Reser	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes								
Stuart Durfee	Yes	Yes		Yes								
Les Wigen	Yes	Yes	Yes									
Ed Schultz	Yes		Yes	Yes								