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FRAFS Executive Committee

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Conference Call

1:00 p.m

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AGENDA

1. Roll call, review, adjust, and accept the agenda
2. Old business:
 - Notes from the previous meeting
 - Action items from the previous meeting
3. Finance Report:
 - a. May budget update
 - b. PICFI: FSMC, CSPI, AREA29
4. FNFC update (Tier 1 to start)
5. FRAFS Area 29 meeting update and discussion (Tier 1 to start)
6. Area 29 discussion (Tier 2)
7. FRAFS Bio2 update
8. CSPI quick update and First Nation workshop scheduling
9. 2016/2017 Forum meeting dates
10. FRAFS staff time off, Next FRAFS EC meeting-set date, time, location

1. Roll call, review, adjust, and accept the agenda

2. Old business:

- Notes from the previous meeting were drafted, circulated for revision, finalized and sent to the EC.
- Action items from the previous meeting: completed or in-progress.

PST renegotiations

There's an increase in the number of meetings between the coho, Chinook and chum technical groups. Funding has been received for the First Nation caucuses to attend PSC meetings.

Massey Tunnel letter

Operations Manager to respond to Mr. Massey via re the Massey Tunnel Removal Project .

Pacific Salmon Treaty negotiations

Manager, Consultations Secretariat (DFO) is contacting BCI First Nations.

FN rep: On previous round, these are lengthy technical discussions and there was extra funding available. So far there has been no indication of extra funding for technical work and meetings. Don't piggyback PST consultations onto the Forum.

FN rep: Manager, Consultations Secretariat has spoken with TNG ... UFFCA has said that extra funding for technical work is required.

DFO rep: Manager, Consultations Secretariat has contacted the lower Fraser and she's heard concerns about building this into existing processes.

FN rep: A series of multi-First Nation meetings with technical support is required.

FN rep: I agree. DFO has to find the resources to support consultation.

3. Finance Report:

A) May budget update

Operations Manager presented the budget update and asked the EC for input.

B) PICFI: FSMC, CSPI, Area 29

- DFO meeting re: PICFI funding to be held on June 24th.

4. FNFC update (Tier 1 to start)

This agenda item was postponed to a future FRAFS EC meeting.

5. FRAFS Area 29 meeting update and discussion (Tier 1 to start)

Members of the First Nations caucus discussed this issue.

6. Area 29 discussion (Tier 2)

- DFO staff were asked for feedback on their impressions about how the Area 29 June 8th consultation meeting went. DFO staff attended as 'observers' and suggested follow up with PICFI Salmon Operations rep take place.
- Next steps for the FRAFS First Nation caucus will be guided by recommendations in the Area 29 Facilitators report (currently in prep) as well as the Tier 1 FRAFS caucus discussion.

7. FRAFS Bio2 update (FRAFS Bio)

Re: Spring and Summer 5/2 Chinook

- Pre-season consultation: First Nations were asked in a time-sensitive manner for a detailed response. There was a Tier 1 teleconference hosted by FRAFS, followed by responses from various First Nation organizations; none agreed with the DFO proposal.

No First Nations saw the current regulations until they came out. The DFO decision is "disappointing, to the say the least. A lot of effort was put in to this."

DFO rep: A response letter is coming out shortly. Response was extremely high.

FRAFS Bio: Any changes made to communal licenses to First Nations?
DFO rep: First Nations have submitted plans.

FRAFS Bio/EC rep: We look forward to the DFO responses.

8. CSPI quick update and First Nation workshop scheduling

The workshop will be held in the fall.

9. 2016/2017 Forum meeting dates

Communications Manager proposed that they go with the same schedule for 2017 as those dates are open on the FNFC calendar. EC agreed provided that the dates didn't conflict with meetings:

- January 24-26
- March 7-9
- April 4-6

10. FRAFS staff time off, Next FRAFS EC meeting-set date, time, location