

FRAFS Executive Committee Meeting – September 18, 2012

Conference Call
9:30am – 10:30am

A. PARTICIPANTS

Meeting Chair: Ken Malloway

Adrian Wall, Gord Sterritt, Terri Bonnet, Murray Ross, Howie Wright, Neil Todd, Pete Nicklin, Jamie Scroggie, Ernie Victor, Ernie Crey, Thomas Alexis

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B. AGENDA

Agenda items

1. Roll call
2. Review and accept agenda
3. Southern BC Chinook Strategic Planning Initiative (CSPI) Update
4. JTWG: a) TORs as brought forward to the EC by the co-chairs; and b) chum salmon management issue
5. Forum Planning Committee – membership, discussion re Forum
6. Letter from FNFC/FN_ISH to FRAFS EC
7. Other

C. DISCUSSION

1. Roll Call

2. Review and accept agenda

- The agenda was accepted as presented.

3. Southern BC Chinook Strategic Planning Initiative (CSPI) Update

- Currently bringing together information on 35-36 southern BC Chinook CUs, and preparing a template.
- Planning a status workshop in February, and a Chinook science workshop to be funded by the PSC Southern Endowment Fund.
- Planning a CSAP process review for pre-COSEWIC status assessment of Chinook
- Considering a new tool for Chinook management (similar to FRSSI process).
- Working on an RFP for a process facilitator.
- Need to clarify role of FRAFS in the CSPI process.

4. JTWG: a) TORs as brought forward to the EC by the co-chairs; and b) chum salmon management issue

- The JTWG Co-Chairs presented a new JTWG TOR at the last EC meeting. The EC agreed to accept the new TOR.

MOTION #1 – To accept the new Terms of Reference for the Joint Technical Working Group.
Moved by: Thomas Alexis. Seconded by: Murray Ross. ***Motion carried.***

- Discussed JTWG involvement in chum management issues. There is interest in the Lower Fraser in getting the JTWG more involved, but time and human/financial resources are limited. The LFFA and JTWG co-chairs will work on some options for chum discussions, to be presented to the EC at the next meeting.

ACTION #1: *Work with the LFFA on some options for discussing chum salmon management issues; recommendations to be presented to the FRAFS EC at the next meeting.*

5. Forum Planning Committee – membership, discussion re: Forum

- Currently working on planning an FPC meeting in the coming weeks.
- Need to contact LFFA and IMAWG regarding FPC membership.

ACTION #2: *Draft letters from FRAFS to IMAWG and LFFA about Island and Lower Fraser membership on the Forum Planning Committee. Include FPC TORs with letters.*

ACTION #3: *Re-send the email re: the next Forum Planning Committee meeting to the FPC members to follow up.*

- Tentative Forum dates for 2013 – January 23-25; February 26-28; March 19-21; May TBD.
- Will continue to have Marcel Shepert as the facilitator for the Forum process, and will ask him to produce a snapshot report on the Forum process.

ACTION #4: *Draft a letter to Marcel Shepert requesting his facilitation services for the Forum in 2013. Request that he produce a snapshot of the Forum process (where we've been and where we're going), and provide him with a copy of the Forum TOR as a refresher. Send the letter to the FRAFS EC for review prior to sending it to Marcel.*

6. Letter from FNFC/FN_ISH to FRAFS EC

- There has been an exchange of correspondence between FRAFS and the FNFC/FN_ISH regarding the FN_ISH and Forum/Roadmap, which highlights a need for clarification about the roles of these initiatives.
- The FRAFS EC has been invited to attend the FN_ISH meeting on October 15th (will attend for the morning).

ACTION #5: *Check with the FNFC about a meeting between the FRAFS EC and the FN_ISH group on the morning of October 15th.*

D. NEXT EC MEETING

- October 15, 2012 – with FNFC/FN_ISH in the morning; FRAFS EC in the afternoon

E. SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

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