# 2010 FCRPS Biological Opinion Tributary Habitat Improvement Upper Grande Ronde/Catherine Creek Expert Panel Workshop

## Agricultural Services Conference Center 10507 N McAlister Road, La Grande, OR June 18-20, 2012

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#### **Purpose**

Convene a local expert panel to estimate changes in limiting factors from the implementation of Action Agency habitat actions for the 2010 FCRPS Biological Opinion. Workshop participants include a range of experienced professionals who are knowledgeable of local conditions, including current and potential condition of limiting factors.

### <u>Goals</u>

- Focus on Action Agencies' priority populations listed in Table 5 of RPA 35 (Upper Grande Ronde Chinook, Catherine Creek Chinook, and Upper Grande Ronde steelhead)
- "Look Back" to confirm or revise estimated changes in habitat function for relevant limiting factors and assessment units for actions completed since the last expert panel workshop conducted April 2009.
- "Look Forward" to estimate changes in habitat function in relevant limiting factors and assessment units for actions and metrics identified for 2013-18 (May 2012 – Dec 2018) implementation (with funding and/or technical assistance from BPA or Reclamation).

### **Expert Panel Website**

Updated tributary habitat scientific information required by the 2010 FCRPS Biological Opinion to be made available to the expert panels for their consideration and other related information has been assembled at <a href="http://www.usbr.gov/pn/fcrps/habitat/panels/reference/index.html">http://www.usbr.gov/pn/fcrps/habitat/panels/reference/index.html</a>.

#### Workshop Agenda

When	What	Who
Monday, June 18	Sign-in and introductions	All
(1 - 5 PM)	Overview of methodology	Hillman
	Fish requirements and habitat use	Beechie
	Expectations and approach	Fisher/Spinazola
Tuesday, June 19	Overview of the day (8:00 AM)	Fisher/Spinazola
(8:00 AM – 5 PM)	"Look Back" Catherine Creek chinook (8:15 AM - noon)	Group
	Lunch (noon – 1 PM)	On your own
	"Look Back" Upper Grande Ronde chinook and steelhead (1)	Group
	PM - 4:45 PM)	
	• Tie up loose ends, if needed (4:45 – 5 PM)	Fisher/Spinazola
Wednesday, June 20	Overview of the day (8:00 AM)	Fisher/Spinazola
(8:00 AM - 5 PM)	• "Look Forward" Catherine Creek chinook (8:15 AM – noon)	Group
	Lunch (noon – 1 PM)	On your own
	"Look Forward" Upper Grande Ronde chinook and	Group
	steelhead (1 PM - 4:45 PM)	
	Review next steps & adjourn workshop (4:45 PM- 5 PM)	Fisher/Spinazola