2010 FCRPS Biological Opinion Tributary Habitat Improvement Upper Salmon Expert Panel Workshop May 22, 23, and 24, 2012

Idaho Department of Fish and Game Regional Office Main Conference Room Salmon, Idaho

<u>Purpose</u>

• To 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 and other populations listed in Table 5 of RPA 35 in the Upper Salmon River basin upstream from the North Fork.
- Confirm or revise estimated changes in habitat function for relevant limiting factors and assessment units for actions completed since the last expert panel workshop (June 2009 – April 2012).
- 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:

http://www.usbr.gov/pn/fcrps/habitat/panels/reference/index.html

When	What	Who
Tuesday, May 22	• Sign-in and introductions	All
(8:30 – 11:30 AM)	Overview of methodology	Kozakiewicz
	• Fish requirements and habitat use	Pess
	• Expectations and approach	Spinazola/Fisher
11:30 – 1:00 PM	• Lunch (on your own)	
Tuesday, May 22	• Upper Salmon basin (upstream from the	Expert Panel
(1 – 4:30 PM)	Lemhi R) chinook salmon and steelhead	
Wednesday, May 23	• Overview of the day (8:30 AM)	Spinazola/Fisher
(8:30 AM – 4:30	• Lemhi R chinook (8:45 AM to ~12:00 PM)	Expert Panel
PM)	• Lunch (on your own)	
	• Lemhi R steelhead (1 PM to 4:30 PM)	
	Adjourn workshop (5 PM)	
Thursday, May 31	• Overview of the day (8:30 AM)	Spinazola/Fisher
(8:30 – 12:00 PM, if	Continuation from Wednesday	Expert Panels

Workshop Agenda

needed)	•	Review next steps	
	•	Adjourn workshop	

A couple of short breaks will be provided throughout the day by the facilitators, Joe Spinazola (USBR) and Kathy Fisher (BPA).