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To: Adaptive Management Work Group Members

Subject: Transmittal of Materials for Adaptive Management Work Group Meeting

Enclosed are the tabbed index pages and corresponding documents in preparation for the AMWG Meeting to be held in Phoenix, Arizona, on May 29, 2003

The meeting will be held at the following location:

Bureau of Indian Affairs
2 Arizona Center, 400 N. 5th Street
12 Floor, Conference Rooms A&B
Phoenix, Arizona

The meeting is devoted entirely to development of the comprehensive research and management program identified by the AMWG at the January 29, 2003 meeting. The HBC Ad Hoc Group has developed an interim report for your consideration and requests you provide feedback on completion of the report. The Ad Hoc Group will continue to work on the comprehensive program, including project proposals and projected budgets, and will have updated versions available for the AMWG on May 29. In addition to the report, background information on humpback chub and the recovery goals for that endangered species will be provided by Steve Gloss, Carl Walters, and Rich Valdez. The concept of a recovery implementation plan has been discussed previously by the AMWG, so Clayton Palmer will make a presentation relating his experiences with the Upper Colorado Recovery Implementation Program. No discussion or consideration of a recovery implementation plan has yet been had by the Technical Work Group, but it seemed appropriate for the AMWG to learn more about this concept. The final discussion of the day, at 4 p.m., is included for the AMWG to consider all aspects of the preceding discussions and to provide global feedback to the HBC Ad Hoc Group.

Sincerely,

Dennis Kubly
Chief, Adaptive Management Group
Environmental Resources Division

Enclosure

From: Linda Whetton
To: Albert, Steven; Barnard, Geoffrey; Bay, Don; Begay, Robert; Bills, Debra; Broscheid, Bob; Burton, Gary; carrillo, nick; Christensen, Kerry; Clarkson, Robert; Cook, Wayne; Cross, Jeff; Czapla, Tom; Davis, Bill; Drye, Brenda; Fitzpatrick, Lesley; Gabaldon, Michael; Gloss, Steve; Greiner, Lloyd; Harris, Chris; Henderson, Norm; Hyde, Pamela; Jacks, Stewart; James, Leslie; Johnson, Rick; Knowles, Glen; Kubly, Dennis; Kuharich, Rod; Marsh, Paul; Metz, Don; Palmer, S. Clayton; Persons, Bill; Peterson, Randy; Ralston, Barbara; Ramsey, Nikolai; Seaholm, Randolph; Shields, John; Simmonds, Rob; Spiller, Sam; Sponholtz, Pam; Steffen, Mark; Taubert, Bruce; Valdez, Rich; Van Haverbeke, Randy; Werner, Bill; Yard, Mike; Yeatts, Michael
Date: 3/25/03 11:23AM
Subject: Humpback Chub AHG Meeting

The following is being sent from Sam Spiller:

Our next meeting will be on April 01, 2003 in Phoenix at the Arizona Department of Water Resources Building, 3rd Floor, Room A, 500 N. 3rd Street from 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. We will see if we can order lunch in to maximize our time.

We will finish the remaining proposals for consideration to present to the AMWG and then if time allows, review the entirety of these proposals especially as to funding, timing, etc.

Also, please reserve April 21-22, 2003 to attend another Humpback Chub Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, including interested members. I believe we will need it in order to have a finished DRAFT to then go ahead and send out for review to the AMWG prior to a projected May 29, 2003 AMWG meeting.

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From: Randall Peterson
To: Alston, Joe; Anderson, D. Larry; Barnard, Geoffrey; Begay, Robert M.; Benemelis, Perri; Drye, Brenda; Gabaldon, Michael; Gold, Rick; Hyde, Pamela; Jackson, Loretta; James, Leslie; Kucate, Arden; Kuharich, Rod; Kuwanwisiwma, Leigh; Lehr, Phillip; Palmer, S. Clayton; Potochnik, Andre; Powell, Linda; Rampton, Ted; Shields, John; Steffen, Mark; Taubert, Bruce; Turney, Thomas; Zimmerman, Gerald
Date: 3/13/03 10:16AM
Subject: AMWG Meeting - March 28, 2003

On March 12, the AMWG humpback chub ad hoc group met in Phoenix to discuss the list of items designed to form a comprehensive strategy to protect the chub. At our February 12 meeting, we developed a list of 23 action items; yesterday, we reviewed and developed in more detail about half of these items. The remainder will be finalized over the course of the next few weeks, but significant work remains in terms of integrating, prioritizing and sequencing these efforts in order to truly produce a comprehensive strategy. The group does not believe that these tasks can be completed prior to the March 28 AMWG meeting; therefore, it recommends delaying the scheduled AMWG meeting until the ad hoc group completes its efforts. The group believes that in so doing, a much better product can be delivered to the AWMG.

Given this new information, please let us know via e-mail or phoning Linda Whetton at (801) 524-3880 with the comments on holding the March 28 AMWG meeting.

Thanks.

CC: Christensen, Kerry; Cook, Wayne; Crocker-Bedford, Cole; Cross, Jeffrey; Damp, Jonathan; Davis, William E.; Dongoske, Kurt; Fenn, Denny; Foster, Dave; Gloss, Steve; Greiner, Lloyd; Harris, Christopher; Henderson, Norm; Hornewer, Nancy; Kaplinski, Matt; Kaplinski, Matt; King, Robert; Knowles, Glen W.; Kubly, Dennis; Liszewski, Mike; Mankiller, Serena; Melis, Ted; Metz, Don; Persons, Bill; Ramsey, Nikolai; Seaholm, Randy; Spiller, Sam; Wyaco Sr., David; Yeatts, Michael

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Date: 3/11/03 12:42PM
Subject: AMWG River Trip

The April AMWG river trip was originally planned as an opportunity for AMWG members to see firsthand the effects of the current experimental treatment and to interact with upper level Department of the Interior management on AMP issues. Because of significant scheduling, security, and budget concerns, Tom Weimer, Chip Groat, Fran Mainella, and Steve Williams can no longer attend. Washington DC participants will now be John Keys and Mike Gabaldon.

We have also received several concerns from AMWG members regarding the rescheduling of the AMWG meeting for March 28. The date for the meeting was changed after we originally received commitments to the river trip.

An additional factor to be considered is the progress of the AMWG humpback chub ad hoc group's work, the completion of which is the impetus for the AMWG meeting. While the group has compiled a list of potential actions, significant work remains to evaluate, prioritize, and sequence these actions. After the ad hoc group's meeting on March 12, we will update you on this progress via email on Thursday morning.

Please let us know your preference for participation on the AMWG river trip and the March 28 AMWG meeting by close of business Thursday. Please respond to this email message and/or call Linda Whetton at (801)524-3880.

Thanks

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Date: 3/14/03 2:26PM
Subject: Cancellation of AMWG Mtg. & River Trip

After careful deliberation, we have decided to postpone both the AMWG meeting scheduled for March 28, 2003, and the AMWG river trip scheduled for March 29-April 5, 2003.

The one day AMWG meeting was being convened to review the comprehensive strategy to reverse the decline of humpback chub. The AMWG ad hoc group tasked with development of the strategy determined at their last meeting on March 12 that the plan could not be finished in time for the March 28 meeting. They are making good progress, however, and believe that the plan can be finished by mid to late April. We intend to reschedule the AMWG meeting with sufficient time for the AMWG to review the comprehensive strategy prior to meeting.

Regarding the AMWG river trip, a large number of AMWG members and representatives from the Washington office of the Department of the Interior found that they could not participate at this time. Therefore, the AMWG river trip is being postponed. We continue to believe that such a river trip would be very valuable to AMWG members and are considering this fall as a potential timeframe for the trip.

Please make sure to cancel any airline and hotel reservations. For those individuals who had a reservation under the Bureau of Reclamation room block at the Radisson Woodlands Hotel in Flagstaff, those were cancelled by Linda Whetton in conversation with Tami Schultheis at the hotel earlier this afternoon.

We apologize for any inconvenience you may have incurred in conjunction with cancelling the meeting and river trip. We will look at potential dates for the next AMWG meeting and will send a message on Monday, March 17 asking for your availability.

Thanks.

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3/14/03, 12:30 p.m.

Spoke with Tami Schultheis at Radisson Woodlands Hotel in Flagstaff, Arizona informing her that I had sent a fax indicating we would be canceling the room block for the Bureau of Reclamation for March 27-28. She said she would cancel the following reservations from the room block:

D. Larry Anderson
Brenda Drye
Michael Gabaldon
Dennis Kubly
Phillip Lehr
Rob Simmonds
Sam Spiller
Richard Valdez
John Keys

Linda Whetton, UC-703

TO: Amy Heustein
@ 602-379-3833 @ 2:30

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Amy,

I spoke w/ Bruce and reserved Conf. Room B on April 1 for the HBG AHG mtg.

-Linda

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Date: 5/2/03 3:18PM
Subject: AMWG Meeting - May 29, 2003

As requested, this one-day meeting deals exclusively with the development of a comprehensive research and monitoring plan for the endangered humpback chub. We are including background information on the Grand Canyon population, on other populations in the upper basin, and on the concept of a recovery implementation plan for Grand Canyon. The report from the HBC AHG is an interim report and the AHG will be seeking feedback and direction from the AMWG on the completion of this assignment.

We have determined that an autumn river trip is possible for the dates of August 31 - Sept 8. More information including logistics and purposes of the trip will be forthcoming from GCMRC. Please advise of your availability by COB Wednesday, May 7. If enough AMWG members cannot participate in this river trip, we will reschedule for spring 2004.

Attached is the draft agenda for the meeting on May 29, 2003. Meeting packets will be mailed on Thursday, May 8 and the information will also be posted to the AMP web page. We apologize for the delay in not meeting the 30-day mailout period but we want to incorporate any last minute changes to their report made by the HBC AHG at their May 6 meeting.