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Subject: DRAFT TWG motions for consideration next week
Attachments: RJ Motion for March 2010 meeting.docx; FY 2011-12 Budget and Hydrograph Initial.docx; FSF MOTION.docx; TCD motion.docx

TWG,

Attached are a series of motions that we will consider at the upcoming TWG meeting:

1. DRAFT TCD motion as described on the agenda. attached.
2. DRAFT of 3 motions from Rick Johnson related to the hydrograph
3. DRAFT Recommendation to AMWG on the Fall Steady Flow Plan - we will consider whether the TWG can approve this document
4. DRAFT FY 2011-2012 budget motion; I used last years motion as a template to get us started.

I am free to use these word files to modify text, make additions etc and provide them to me at the meeting if you would like to offer up one of these motions or a modification of them. In drafting these motions my intent is to provide you with a starting point for your consideration. For example, if you have specific issue of concern you would like highlighted in the budget motion I suggest you utilize the budget motion file and add those on the electronic file so that I can easily include them on my computer using the overhead projector. I'll have these files ready as a starting point for our discussions.

Thanks,
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Motion #1. To assist in the development of a technically sound 2011 hydrograph recommendation to the AMWG that is likely to conserve sediment while having the most beneficial (or least detrimental) impact on other resources, the TWG requests that GCMRC provide sediment mass balance model results for the following eight scenarios:

Annual release	Monthly pattern	Daily fluctuation
Equalization	Current	Typical MLFF
Equalization	Current	Steady
Equalization	Equalized Monthly Volume	Typical MLFF
Equalization	Equalized Monthly Volume	Steady
8.23 maf	Current	Typical MLFF
8.23 maf	Current	Steady
8.23 maf	Equalized Monthly Volume	Typical MLFF
8.23 maf	Equalized Monthly Volume	Steady

The TWG requests this information by the end of May, 2010. The TWG will then discuss the implications for different releases and make a hydrograph recommendation at its June 2010 meeting. The AMWG will consider the recommendation at its August 2010 meeting for incorporation into the 2011/12 AMP workplan/budget/hydrograph development process as well as the 2011 AOP.

Motion #2. If the TWG does not request the mass balance model results from GCMRC, or if GCMRC declines to provide the model results, then the TWG recommends that the AMWG rely on the model results in the 2008 Wright paper ("Is there enough sand?") to implement Equalized Monthly Volumes and steady daily releases in WY 2011.

Motion #3. The TWG recommends to the AMWG that if sediment inputs exceed the current BHBF trigger before March 2011, then dam operations will immediately switch to equalized monthly volumes and steady flows (if this is not already the operating scenario), and a BHBF will be implemented in March 2011.