

**Regional Management Committee Meeting
August 09, 2005**

Record of Decisions

Attendees:	Boland, J.; Craig, T.; Einarson, D.; Faust, R.; Hobbs, M.; Innell, D.; Kotyk, M.; Richards, L.; Radford, D.; Sprout, P.; Wild, J.;
Absent:	R. Kadowaki; S. Kriegl; J. Norris; B. Rosenberger; C. Webb;
Alternates:	G. McEachen (<i>for W. Luedke</i>); R. Nelson (<i>for G. Savard</i>); D. Lake (<i>for D. Phelan</i>); A. Laplante (<i>for S. Johal</i>); S. Steele/J. Rehal (<i>for T. Tebb</i>)
Guests:	Item # 1: M. Saunders

1. Wild Salmon Implementation - (Decision) – M. Hobbs/M. Saunders

Issue: To review and make recommendations on the general approach, Implementation Team structure and timeline, and internal challenges.

Recommendation(s):

- Implementation will be a phased approach:
 - Phase 1: Scoping – Completion of detailed Implementation Plan and Preliminary identification of CU's and their status: June – December 2005;
 - Phase 2: Interim – Provision of advice on CUs of concern for 2006 Fishery and programs for FY 06/07; Completion of Start-up Action Steps with functioning Interim planning process: Jan 06 – Mar 07;
 - Phase 3: Final – Completion of Action Step process: 2010

Action: Revisit September date with Science. Timing on consultations too early.

- Implementation Start Up Action Steps:
 1. Standardized monitoring of wild salmon status.
 2. Assessment of habitat status.
 3. Inclusion of ecosystem values and monitoring.
 4. Integrated strategic planning.
 5. Annual program delivery.
 6. Performance review.

- Budget Allocations
 - A total of \$1.1M announced on June 24, 2005.
 - 400K of this is allocated to Salmon Science related to Williams
 - The remaining 700K will be allocated to WSP implementation (Science 400K; FM 22K; Habitat 100K)
 - Projects will be developed to address tasks identified under the WSP Action Steps.
 - Resources will be tracked to ensure the allocations specifically address WSP implementation.
- Implementation Structure
 - WSP Implementation Steering Committee: RDG; RDs Science, OHEB, FM, Treaty and each Area;
 - Implementation Team: WSP Coordinator; Reps from Science, OHEB, FM, Treaty and each Area;
 - Project Teams: Project Leader, Staff, consultants, partners engaged in project.

Action: A Strategic Initiatives Steering Committee chaired by RDG will be established. Membership will consist of RD's Science, FAM, OHEB and TAP and ADs as required. Champions from key initiatives on-going in Pacific region ie: fisheries renewal, science renewal, oceans action plan, Williams Report and the Wild Salmon Policy will contact chair with requests for meetings.

- Consultation and Communication Strategy
- Internal Challenges:
 - Develop working linkages among watershed, marine and fisheries planning and operational programs;
 - Affect change through redirection of existing resources and expanding partnerships
 - Build and support an open, interest-based consultative processes;
 - Provide leadership to affect culture change.

Action: RMC supports this proposal, think about how to market this phased approach. September date is premature. Come back to RMC with project proposals and timelines.

Resubmit to RMC: The overall proposal was accepted. Come back to RMC with project workplans.

Responsibility: M. Hobbs to work with Mark Saunders.

Deadline: Mid-September, 2005

2. Science Business Planning (*Discussion/Presentation*) – L. Richards

Issue: Inform RMC about the need for science and the suite of programs within the science sector regionally, prepare RDG for the meeting of the Science Management Board (SMB), October 13-14, 2005, and seek RMC input on ten priority issues for consideration by SMB

Action: D. Radford and D. Innell to meet with L. Richards to prepare a joint list for further discussion at RMC. L. Richards has lead and will prepare a coordinated regional approach for RDG to speak to at SMB.

Responsibility: Laura Richards to work with Don Radford and Dave Innell

Resubmit to RMC for discussion

Deadline: September 6, 2005

3. RMAF/RBAF Update (*Discussion/Presentation*) – R. Faust

Issue: Provide an overview on Risk-Based Audit Framework (RBAF) and Results-based Management and Accountability Framework (RMAF).

RMAF – Results for Canadians:

- the management framework for the government of Canada is the basis for the environment under which RMAF exists;
- modernizing government in order to respond to Canadians' changing expectations and priorities;
- articulates the Government of Canada's commitment to excellence in four areas critical to a well-performing public sector:
 - focusing on citizens;
 - embracing a clear set of public service values
 - managing for results
 - ensuring responsible spending
- a key tool in implementing these values;
- aims to establish a management culture based on ongoing learning, and results;
- key parts of RMAF is the logic model which depicts the linkages between activities and the expected sequence of outcomes over the life of a policy, program or initiative with the building blocks being the "Results Chain".

RBAF

- a document that explains how risk concepts are integrated into the strategies and approaches for managing programs that are funded through transfer payments;
- a government policy to manage transfer payments in a manner sensitive to risks, complexity, accountability for results and economical use of resources;

- Departments must develop a risk-based audit framework for the audit of contributions;
- Departments must actively monitor their management practices and controls using a risk-based approach;

Action:

- This is a philosophy that will stay with the Department. The idea is relevant to how we approach our activities on a daily basis. Those leading important initiatives should understand concept and start reflecting on an approach and bring RMAF/FBAF perspective to respective Steering Committees.
- RD's to inform Ron Kadowaki, Mark Saunders, and Greg Savard to consider developing an RMAF based work plan for their special funding as we may be required to do an RMAF/RBAF process for those special funds in the near future i.e. WSP implementation, Fisheries Renewal, Williams implementation.

Responsibility: R. Faust

Deadline: n/a

4. Standing Items

- ***Record of Decisions and Action Log of July 19th: Approved.***
- ***Review of Planning Agenda – RMC & SDC:*** Reviewed and additions noted.
- ***Regional & International Calendars:*** No new update.
- ***High Profile Litigation:*** No new update.
- ***Area Directors' Minutes of Meeting:*** No new update.
- ***RMEC:***
- ***DMC Debrief:***
 - SARA – 12 species populations identified by COSEWIC, 2 are in Pacific Region: Interior Fraser River Coho and Bocaccio – there is a need to look at COSEWIC in response to our department's strategic direction.
- ***Regional Issues:***
 - DM planning to meet with the BC DM's Ministries of Environment and Agriculture and Lands late September.
 - Status of Fraser River Sockeye – James Boland to lead working group that will report to RDG. Core team to include RDs of Communication, Science and FAM.
- ***Roundtable:***
 - **Communications** – D. Lake reported that there was an opportunity for the region to participate in an Omnibus Survey which is a public opinion research survey. Deadline is September 12. **Action:** Region should consider this opportunity as the public has an appetite for the direction Department is moving in regarding Fisheries Reform.

- **South Coast** – G. McEachen reported that they were meeting with FNs regarding L98.
- **TAP** – Mel Kotyk reported that the next Policy Dialogue Forum will be held on December 12-13, 2005.
- **FAM** – reported that he is anticipating significant rewrites of the FA, the process has begun, will be meeting with the Province in August and September there will be discussion with key client groups, very high level, Minister would like to table new Act in November. RDs should bring to the attention of areas; lead will be in the region.

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Regional Management Committee (RMC)
Action Log

Tuesday August 9, 2005

Item	Action Required	Responsibility/Deadline	Status
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Science Business Planning	D. Radford and D. Innell to meet with L. Richards to prepare a joint list for further discussion at RMC. L. Richards has lead and will prepare a coordinated regional approach for RDG to speak to at SMB.	<p>L. Richards; D. Radford; D. Innell</p> <p>September 6, 2005</p>	
RMAF/RBAF	RD's to inform R. Kadowaki, M. Saunders, and G. Savard to consider developing an RMAF based work plan for their special funding as we may be required to do an RMAF/RBAF process for WSP implementation, Fisheries Renewal and Williams Implementation.	Ron Faust	
Regional Issues	J. Boland assigned to lead new committee with RD's FAM, Science and Communications as members. Focus of the committee is Fraser River sockeye and its purpose is to co-ordinate and lead on our overall response on this issue with respect to public and other government departments.	James Boland	

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