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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fish and Wildlife Committee

FROM: John Ogan

SUBJECT: Mainstem/Systemwide Project Selection

The staff have developed a process and schedule aimed at yielding Council funding recommendations for Mainstem/Systemwide projects at its May meeting (see attached). The primary point for this agenda item is to discuss this process with the Committee.

Additionally, we illustrate for the Committee how the funding allocation for this project group was established, and provide a brief overview of the programmatic issues that the staff has identified for treatment in the Council funding decision on these projects. The staff is meeting later this week (but in advance of the Committee meeting of course) to sharpen the budget allocation matter and scope and define the programmatic issues, so we do not have additional materials to provide on those as of this writing.

**Critical Path
for
Mainstem/Systemwide Project Recommendations**

1. Produce a workbook sorted by ISRP rating **Nov 8-20**
 - *Schrepel and Merrill***COMPLETED**
2. Identify programmatic issues raised by ISRP and CBFWA **Nov 8 - 21**
 - *Ogan and Marker lead, everyone back-up***COMPLETED**
3. SPOT meeting to review worksheets and programmatic issues **November 21**
 - *State and Central*
 - *BPA and CBFWA invited***COMPLETED**
4. NPPC staff meet with ESA agencies for input regarding BiOp **December 5**
 - *Need to settle on facilitator and invite list***COMPLETED**
5. Public comment on ISRP report closes **January 15**
COMPLETED
6. Comment from NOAA and BPA due **January 15**
 - *Make contact with NOAA and BPA to advise of this date***COMPLETED**
7. ISRP report on proposals submitted in solicitation meeting gaps” due **March 25**
8. Staff develop “workbook” options of project packages (Erik S. help) **April 3**
 - *CBFWA “core” package option*
 - *BPA/NOAA “critical” package option*
 - *Other packages?*
9. SPOT meeting - frame budget and programmatic issues **April 3**
{O’toole make agency contacts to invite}
 - *BPA and CBFWA invited*
 - *O’toole and Ogan develop agenda for this meeting*
10. NPPC staff present to F&W Committee on budget, major issues, process and timeline for decision-making **April 8**

11. Second NPPC staff meeting with ESA agencies and CBFWA **April 10 (p.m.)**
{tentative} {O'toole and Fritsch make agency contacts to invite}
 - *Present options workbooks and issues document*
 - *Present process and timeline for Council decision*
 - *Discuss projects*
12. Refine workbooks as needed in light of meeting **April 11-25**
13. ISRP report on projects responding to “gaps RFS” is due **April 25**
14. Develop draft staff project funding recommendations **April 28**
 - *O'toole/Ogan document org, Fritsch issues, workbooks (Erik and Eric)*
15. Meet with project sponsors and ESA agencies to review recommendations **April 29 {tentative} {O'toole to make agency contacts to invite}**
 - *This will yield at least a staff recommendation and define points of disagreement on project recommendations*
16. Draft recommendations revised in light of meeting with sponsors **April 30**
 - *O'toole and Ogan with SPOT help*
17. Notice of draft funding recommendations available **April 30**
 - *Will be in the packet and at the meeting*
18. Present draft recommendations to Fish and Wildlife Committee **May 6**
19. Present staff recommendations for Council decision **May 7**