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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Council Members

**FROM:** Lynn Palensky

**SUBJECT:** Update on Coordination Contracts

**BACKGROUND:** At the April meeting in Libby, Montana, staff provided an update to the Fish and Wildlife Committee on the status of the progress to define and describe regional coordination needs and activities. Representatives from the five regional coordination sponsor organizations, Council, Bonneville and the Upper Snake River Tribes have been meeting to develop a longer-term proposal for the Council that describes appropriate regional coordination activities, and needs. Activities and needs will likely be described at a regional level as well as individual entity level. This will help with FY2008-09 funding decisions as well as to help inform the future amendment process with regard to coordination. Since our last update, the group met in Libby, and will meet again on May10th. At the Committee meeting I will invite participating sponsors to provide an update on progress.

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