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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Fish and Wildlife Committee members

**FROM:** Patty O'Toole and Mark Fritsch

**SUBJECT:** Update on Cost Savings allocation options

### BACKGROUND:

**Presenter:** Council staff will provide an update on the status of discussions since the March Fish and Wildlife Committee meeting regarding the options presented for the use of FY 2020 cost savings funds available.

**Summary:** At the March Fish and Wildlife Committee meeting the Council staff presented two options for the available funds associated with cost savings efforts for discussion. The options included Project #1998-014-00, *Ocean Survival Of Salmonids* and Project #2017-004-00, *Northern Pike Suppression and Monitoring*. Based on the questions and issues raised by the Committee in March, Council members and Council staff met with Bonneville on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. No resolution was reached at these meetings with regards to the short term use of FY 2020 funds, but there was agreement to work together to develop and establish a systematic approach and process for implementing Council recommendations, including project reviews and other annual processes and placeholders (i.e., BOG, Asset Management and Cost Savings). Council staff will regularly update the Committee on the status of cost savings and process.

**Relevance:** The 2014 Fish and Wildlife Program with support in Part II of the Program addendum, describes using program cost savings to fund program priorities recommended by the Council.

**Workplan:** Fish and Wildlife Division preliminary work plan 2020; Program Implementation (2014 Program and 2020 addendum); Other program implementation.

**More Info:** [Fish and Wildlife Committee packet memo March 2020.](#)