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MEMORANDUM

TO: Council members

FROM: Tony Grover and Bryan Mercier

SUBJECT: Update on implementation of 2014 Fish and Wildlife Program cost-savings language

Presenters: Tony Grover and Bryan Mercier, Executive Manager, Fish and Wildlife, Bonneville Power Administration

Summary: Staff discussed implementation [alternatives](#), history and background information for the Program's cost savings language with the Fish and Wildlife Committee in February, 2018. Following that discussion, staff proposes to integrate the best practices and the lessons learned from the Cost Savings Workgroup (CSW) into Council and BPA staff interactions. The accounting tool (see Table 1, below) will be retained to track identified cost savings and Council decisions about the use of cost savings

Relevance: The proposed staff activity will implement the language on page 116 of the 2014 Fish and Wildlife Program: '*Bonneville should fund any new fish and wildlife obligations from identifying savings within the current program...*' Working with Bonneville staff and others, and with guidance from Council member Anders, staff will continue to identify opportunities for cost savings in the fish and wildlife program and when appropriate make recommendations to the Committee and Council for how to allocate identified cost savings to other fish and wildlife needs.

Table 1. Current status of Cost Savings identified by source and allocations to new work.

		Cost Savings Budget Tracking				updated 1/8/2018
Credit		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020
2007-404-00	Captive Brood		\$355,007	\$355,007	\$355,007	\$355,007
2007-404-00	Captive Brood			\$77,773	\$77,773	\$77,773
1982-013-03	CWT-USFWS		\$29,162	\$29,162	\$29,162	\$29,162
2006-006-00	HEP	\$90,502	\$90,502	\$90,502	\$90,502	\$90,502
2010-076-00	Snake River	\$92,244	\$92,244	\$92,244	\$92,244	\$92,244
2010-033-00	RRS-Methow		\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
2003-063-00	RRS-Abernathy			\$196,670	\$393,340	\$590,010
2007-299-00	RRS-Deschutes			\$110,000	\$220,000	\$330,000
2010-034-00	WDFW - LCM			\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
Total savings found		\$182,746	\$651,915	\$1,111,358	\$1,343,028	\$1,649,698
Debit		FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020
2016-003-00	Blocked area		\$100,000			
1994-043-00	N. Pike		\$40,000			
	Sturgeon RFI			\$283,000	\$233,000	
	O&M - Hatcheries		\$115,000	\$238,000		
	O&M - Fish screens			\$236,000		
Total savings utilized		\$182,746	\$255,000	\$757,000	\$233,000	\$0
Unspent savings		\$182,746	\$396,915	\$354,358	\$1,110,028	\$1,649,698

* Unspent funds will be moved to BPA reserves at the end of each fiscal year.