

## **COLUMBIA RIVER TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT TEAM**

June 2, 2021

DRAFT Facilitator's Summary

Facilitator: Emily Stranz; Notes: Colby Mills

*The following Facilitator's Summary is intended to capture basic discussion, decisions, and actions, as well as point out future actions or issues that may need further discussion at upcoming meetings. These notes are not intended to be the "record" of the meeting, only a reminder for TMT members. Official minutes can be found on the TMT website: <http://pweb.crohms.org/tmt/agendas/2021/>.*

### **Review Meeting Summaries & Minutes**

TMT members approved the official minutes and summaries for the May 19 and May 26 meetings.

### **Gas Bubble Trauma Reporting**

Julie Amman, Corps, informed the group that the salmonid and native non-salmonid GBT reports (May 24-28, 2021) are posted on the TMT website. This information is provided for information sharing and transparency purposes during the spring spill season as AAs work to manage within state water quality requirements. Julie noted that last week, the State of Oregon confirmed that the current GBT should be utilized, there are no changes to the criteria at this time. Per request, Julie committed to checking internally to see if the Corps can post the data as a CSV or Excel file instead of a PDF. Charles Morrill, WA, noted that WA Ecology has been in touch with DEQ regarding the criteria.

### **Little Goose Dam**

Charles provided an update on current adult fish passage data at Little Goose Dam (posted to the TMT website), specifically 3 days showing potential delay between Lower Monumental and Little Goose. WA and FPAC do not recommend taking any action at this point, only that the TMT should be aware of these passage indicator observations and continue to monitor the situation. Charles also provided preliminary WDFW catch data from the sport fishery that occurred below Little Goose concurrent with the observed slowdown in adult fish passage. Claire McGrath, NOAA, noted that the presence of the black dots on the DART tool is an early indicator and something to keep an eye on moving forward. NOAA does not have concerns about delays at this time.

**Questions or comments from members of the public:** There were no questions or comments from members of the public.

**The next scheduled TMT meeting is a conference call on June 9, 2021 at 9:00 AM.**

*This summary is respectfully submitted by the DS Consulting Facilitation Team. Suggested edits are welcome and can be sent to Colby at [colby@dsconsult.co](mailto:colby@dsconsult.co).*

## **Columbia River Regional Forum**

### **Technical Management Team DRAFT OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 2, 2021**

**Minutes: Melissa Haskin, BPA (contractor, FLUX Resources)**

Today’s TMT meeting was held via conference call and webinar, chaired by Doug Baus, Corps, and facilitated by Emily Stranz, DS Consulting. See the end of these minutes for a list of attendees.

#### **1. Review of 5/19 & 5/26 Official Minutes and Summaries**

The May 19 and May 26 official minutes and summaries were approved with no additional edits.

#### **2. Weekly Native Non-Salmonids GBT Report**

Julie Ammann, Corps, directed the TMT to a Weekly Native Non-Salmonids GBT Report for May 24-28, available on the TMT website. The data are posted for transparency as the Action Agencies coordinate with states of Oregon and Washington to manage within state water quality standards. OR confirmed last week that they do not recommend changing any of the GBT monitoring criteria as of now. Jonathan Ebel, ID, requested the data be made available in a spreadsheet format. Ammann will look into if that is possible.

#### **3. Little Goose Dam**

Charles Morrill, WA, updated the TMT on adult fish passage at Little Goose. Morrill directed the TMT to the DART tool (PIT Tag Adult Ladders - Reach Distribution and Delay) that shows black dots on three days, indicating potential delay. Morrill also presented the latest data from the FPC Passage Indicator tool that showed the conversion rate between Lower Monumental and Little Goose dropped below expected values when fishing occurred. He provided preliminary WDFW catch data from the sport fishery below Little Goose during those days. At this time, FPAC is not recommending any action. NOAA has no concerns at this time but will continue to monitor the situation, as will fish managers.

#### **Today’s Attendees:**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>TMT Representative</b>
Army Corps of Engineers	Julie Ammann (Chair), Lisa Wright
Bonneville Power Administration	Tony Norris, Scott Bettin
Bureau of Reclamation	Joel Fenolio
NOAA Fisheries	Claire McGrath
US Fish & Wildlife Service	Dave Swank
Washington	Charles Morrill
Oregon	Erick Van Dyke
Idaho	Jonathan Ebel
Montana	Brian Marotz
Nez Perce Tribe	Jay Hesse

<b>Agency</b>	<b>TMT Representative</b>
Umatilla Tribe/CRITFC	Absent
Colville Tribe	Absent
Warm Springs Tribe	Jen Graham
Kootenai Tribe	Absent
Spokane Tribe	Absent

**Other Attendees (non-TMT members):**

Corps – Alexis Mills, Chris Peery  
DS Consulting – Emily Stranz (Facilitator), Colby Mills  
BPA – Melissa Haskin (contractor, Notetaker)  
Snohomish PUD – Mike Shapley and Scott Richards