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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fish and Wildlife Committee members

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: Discussion of the Program Implementation Assessment

BACKGROUND:

Presenter: Laura Robinson, Program Liaison Coordinator; Patty O'Toole, Program Implementation Manager

Summary: Fish and Wildlife staff are compiling information on the implementation of each of the Program's 22 strategies into Program implementation summaries. These summaries will update the Council and the region on the status of each strategy's measures. Being roughly half-way through the implementation phase of the 2014 Program, these summaries will both show the work that has been done over the last 3 years, and help tee up discussions and work needed in preparation for the next Program amendment process. The Program Implementation Assessment, which will be a package made up of all summaries, is planned to be complete and provided to the Council this summer. At the June committee meeting, staff will provide an update on the progress of the summaries.

Relevance: The Program Implementation Assessment will lay out significant developments on Program measures that have occurred since the adoption of the 2014 Program.

Workplan: 2014 Fish and Wildlife Program Implementation

Background: The 2014 Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program was adopted by the Council in October 2014. Staff is planning for the next Program amendment process, which will likely begin in November 2018 and conclude in August 2020. The Fish and Wildlife Committee saw an example summary, focusing on the Wildlife Mitigation Strategy, at the May committee meeting. Staff is planning for all other summaries to follow that model. These summaries are intended to be snapshots of the most recent work completed for each strategy. Staff is working to keep each summary to two pages in order to make these easily digestible.

More Info: Staff assignments for each Program Implementation Summary:

Program Implementation Assessment Assignments		
Program strategy/topic	Lead	Assist
Ecosystem function	Tony	many others
Habitat	Leslie	Nancy, Mark, Tony
Strongholds	Lynn	Karl, Mark
Non-native and invasive species	Stacy	Leslie
Predator management	Laura	Kendall, Stacy
Protected areas and hydroelectric development and licensing	Patty	John S, Karl
Water quality	Leslie	Patty
Climate change	Leslie	Lynn, Stacy
Mainstem hydrosystem flow and passage options	Leslie	John S, Lynn, Mark, Kerry
Estuary	Patty	Karl
Plume and nearshore ocean	Patty	Karl
Wildlife mitigation	Karl	Mark
Fish propagation including hatchery programs	Mark	Karl
Wild fish	Lynn	Mark
The use of hatcheries for reintroduction	Mark	Laura, Karl, Stacy
Anadromous fish mitigation in blocked areas	Laura	Stacy, Patty, Mark
Resident fish mitigation	Nancy	Kerry
Sturgeon	Lynn	Karl, Mark
Lamprey	Mark	Lynn
Eulachon	Lynn	Mark
Public engagement	Lynn	Laura
Investment	Lynn	Laura