

BOARDMAN II - STURGEON STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP AGENDA

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January 26, 10 AM – 5 PM (Wednesday)

Welcome – Ray Beamesderfer

Introduction, Process & Schedule – Alison Squier

Strategic Planning Progress

Conservation Plan & BPA 86-50 activities – Christine Mallette (15 min)

Lower Columbia sturgeon status & management (state & joint) – Brad James (15 min)

Upper mid-Columbia mitigation planning updates – Open mike – (30 min)

Summary of Boardman I results: vision, goals, objectives, strategies – Ray Beamesderfer (30 min)

Lunch buffet (1 hour)

Facilitated Work Session: Factors limiting natural recruitment & prospects for improvement

- Why is recruitment inconsistent or failing among most inland populations?
- Why is recruitment much greater in some areas than others?
- What opportunities or remedies might reasonably be pursued?
- What is the likelihood for increasing natural recruitment?
- What do we know, what don't we know, how certain are we?

Introduction – Ray Beamesderfer

Lower Mid-Columbia recruitment indexing – Tucker Jones (30 min)

Upper Mid-Columbia assessments & limiting factors – Larry Hildebrand (30 min)

Facilitated discussion/exercise – Alison Squier

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January 27, 8 AM – 4 PM (Thursday)

Definition of genetic management units for Columbia River sturgeon

- What do we know about current genetics?
- What does it tell us about historical patterns and future objectives?
- How do we use this information to identify appropriate genetic management units?

Introduction to why GMU's & distinguishing current, historical & future – Paul Anders (30 min)

Current genetic results – Andrea Drausch Schreier (30 min)

Genetic assessments (inbreeding, outbreeding, bottlenecks, selection, etc.) – Jim Powell (30 min)

Facilitated discussion/exercise, range of recommendations – Alison Squier (30 min)

Lunch buffet (1 hour)

Sturgeon Population Objectives & Capacity

- How many sturgeon do we want, do we need, and can we support?
- How do we identify and choose numerical objectives?

Introduction – Ray Beamesderfer (10 min)

Analytical example – Larry Hildebrand (30 min)

Empirical example – Ray Beamesderfer

Facilitated discussion/exercise – Alison Squier

Wrap-up, next steps (15 min)