

**CUWA Integrated Modeling Framework Meeting
January 8, 2004**

Notes, Actions

Here are abbreviated notes and action items from the meeting on January 8, 2004:

1. There was continued concern by participants about broadening the group who participates in these meetings. Funding entities (CUWA and SWC) will come back to the next meeting with suggestions about how to get others involved.
2. There was a concern about the name of the meetings (subsequently changed to “CUWA Integrated Modeling Framework Meeting” as indicated above).
3. CUWA has completed its Acoustic Tracking Technology report, which will be distributed by mail to the group (also available as a PDF document for anyone who would like it electronically).
4. It was requested that Steve Cramer post current versions of the IMF and its documentation on an appropriate web site so that reviewers/participants were aware of current status. Steve agreed this could be done within the next 1-2 weeks.
5. Steve Cramer said he planned to prepare weekly emails on model development (this is being considered in the context of the web posting recommendation above).
6. There was substantial discussion of various factors used in the simulation of historic conditions, including the weighted useable area for juvenile rearing, historic stream temperatures, passage through the Delta, and variation in ocean survival. Dan Odenweller suggested the issues of concern be considered as two separate categories: (1) data to be used, and (2) algorithms (math functions) to be used. All of these were recognized as areas for continued improvement.
(Following the meeting there were several sidebar discussions in person and by phone, resulting in a commitment for greater contact between meetings)
7. There was much discussion of what process we should use to obtain peer review of the IMF. It was agreed following the suggestion of Alice Low that the Winter-run PWT is the appropriate forum to review freshwater issues, and the CDFG Ocean Salmon Program would be a good place to start for ocean issues.
8. Zach Hymanson indicated that the BDA Science Program will pursue three paths: (1) develop a research strategy, (2) develop a more clear implementation plan, and (3) develop the next PSP for target priority efforts. Zach said the PSP will target priority areas, and is likely to come out in the April – June time frame. There was

also discussion about the availability of Proposition 50 bond funding, and bond sales may be significantly delayed due to the current State financial situation.

9. The next meeting to discuss the CUWA IMF has been scheduled for Friday, February 20, 2004, 9:00 a.m. – noon at MWD's office in Sacramento. A suggested agenda will be sent out a week prior to the meeting.