DRAFT AGENDA

Ecology and EPA Meeting on NPDES permits for federal dams on the Lower Columbia River and Lower Snake River

Date: October 18, 2018
Time: 2:30-4:30pm
Location: Ecology HQ, Lacey; Phone TBD

Attendees: Melissa Gildersleeve, Vince McGowan, (others from Ecology?), Susan Poulsom (phone), Mary Lou Soscia (phone), Jenny Wu (in person);[Optional from EPA: Courtney Weber (phone), Jennifer Byrne (phone), John Palmer (in person), Martin Merz (in person)]

Goals:
[Ecology, insert goals.]

- To have EPA provide information on the permit and the draft 401 certification request
- To discuss how other Columbia River activities may or may not affect the scope of the NPDES permits
- To clearly understand factors affecting draft 401 certification issuance
- To lay out options for moving forward on permits and 401 certification
- To discuss timing and next steps for making a decision to move forward

Agenda Items

- **Introductions (All)** – 5 minutes
- **Background – Why are we meeting?/Meeting Goals (Ecology/EPA) –** 10 minutes
- **Permit Description (Jenny, EPA) –** 10 minutes
- **Other Activities in Columbia River and Interplay with Permits (Mary Lou, Jenny, Ecology) –** 25 minutes
    1. Columbia River Temperature TMDL
    2. NOAA BiOp
    3. US Army Corps/BOR/BPA EIS
    4. Other [Mary Lou, Ecology, insert]
- **Draft 401 Certification Considerations -** 30 minutes
    1. Scope
    2. Timing
    3. Legal considerations
    4. Policy considerations
- **Potential Options for Moving Forward –** 25 minutes
- **Next Steps –** 5 minutes

(Internal to EPA – not sharing with Ecology – This is my evaluation and not based on any conversations with Ecology.)

Potential Options

1. Option 1: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Pros:

- Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Cons:

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2. Option 2: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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3. Option 3: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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4. Option 4: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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