

Agenda and Notes

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Water Quality
 - a. Centennial grant for long-term water quality monitoring program (Paul Cross)
 - Summarized a history of the Lake Chelan Water Quality Committee
 - The LCWQC relied upon Centennial Grant Funding to identify and assess potential water quality issues and local government matching funds. Members included City of Chelan, Chelan County, Chelan PUD, Lake Chelan Reclamation District, Lake Chelan Sewer and Water District, and US Forest Service
 - Summarized history of TMDL development for Lake Chelan.
 - Described several public forums on Lake Chelan conditions, in particular a forum including limnologist (Dr. Goldman, UC Davis), who described the interaction between nitrogen and phosphorous in lake water.
 - THE LCWQC concluded with a recommendation to develop a long term monitoring plan to move from sporadic and scattered data collection to a deliberate monitoring approach that would assess trends of constituents over time, with a goal to manage what could be measured.
 - Mike Kaputa described the Keep it Blue campaign and an interest to reinvigorate the campaign with a kickoff meeting and event, to invite the Lake Chelan community to participate, and to develop programmatic approaches towards Lake Chelan water quality protection.
 - b. Next steps (Kaputa)
 - Described the funding sources, timing, and schedule to implement the long term monitoring plan
3. Water Supply
 - a. Update on Chelan PUD and Department of Ecology discussions re: water supply agreement
 - Dave Holland (Ecology) and Waikele Franz (Chelan PUD) described the ongoing discussions between their respective agencies regarding the availability and status of water rights that could be issued from the “unallocated” portion of the PUD Lake Chelan water rights. Ecology has some concerns with the interruptibility of the rights and described how this years’ drought management efforts were diverting most of the staffing resources.
 - b. Status report on coordinated cost reimbursement process (Nelson)
 - Summarized the completed tasks and the scheduled actions that will depend on the updated Ecology and Chelan PUD agreement
4. Habitat

- a. Lake Chelan Fishery Forum (Osborn – Chelan PUD)
 - Described activities related to the Lake Chelan Fish Forum which developed from the FERC relicensing of the Lake Chelan Dam. The primary goals include developing and implementing annual work plans that monitor fishery activities, which is funded by the PUD. Focus has included managing lake levels to hydrate tributaries during critical periods, potential bioaccumulation of DDT, and management of native vs. introduced fish
 - b. Holden Mine Natural Resources Damage Assessment (NRDA) (Grover-Wier - USFS)
 - Described the Holden Mine Damage Resource Assessment and cleanup actions, which include storm water and groundwater cutoff walls, minewater collection and treatment, and compensation actions for loss of environmental services. The Trustee Group (USFS, USFW, Ecology, Yakama Nation,) is negotiating a settlement with Intalco/Rio Tinto to fund compensation actions that could include restoration/construction of wetland, riparian, shoreline, upland areas. Several entities have proposed 19 possible projects for evaluation and selection by the Trustee Group.
5. Other
- a. Lake Chelan In-Lieu Fee Program (Knaub)
 - Still a work in progress...
 - b. Approval of detailed implementation plan
 - Dave Holland described Ecology's review and recommendations to finalize the Detailed Implementation Plan. Mike Kaputa indicated that the final would be produced within a week. Dave Holland confirmed that drought management funding was available for Chelan County.
 - c. Meeting schedule
 - Mike Kaputa concluded with a recommendation for a subcommittee to meet and discuss developing a public awareness campaign and then schedule the next planning unit meeting on or around July 29.