

## Draft 18 Jul NECC Conference Call

### 1. Attendees:

Ken Barr	Joyce Collins
Sandra Brewer	Brian Johnson
Kelly De Grandchamp	Rich Worthington
Marsha Dolan	Al Fenedick
Jeff Dezellar	Butch Atwood
Rebecca Soileau	Mark Beorkrem
Rich Astrack	Rick Nelson
Holly Stoerker	John Brown
Catherine Mc Calvin	Bob Goodwin

### 2. Meeting Agenda and Results:

- Accept minutes from 24 May 07 NECC. Received comment from Gretchen change will be made. Meeting minutes were accepted and will be posted on the website.

- Status of Interim re-evaluation report. – ECC spent a couple of hours reviewing in a similar meeting last week. Current mile stone for the report:

- 15 Aug 07 Interim Report to be sent out to the NECC/ECC/UMRBA/Corps by digital copy. ~~Hard copies will be taken to the 22 Aug 07 NECC/ECC meeting in La Crosse and participate in discussion at the meeting.\*~~

~~- 7 Sep 07 Comments due on the Interim \*Report to be considered in preparing draft report to the Assistant Secretary~~

- 15 Sep 07 All/additional comments due – to be considered for final report.

- Dec 07 Final Report

**\* Note schedule has been modified on 14 Aug 07 per Chuck Spitzack email 15 Aug 07.**

3. NESP Authorization and FY 08 Budget Status: No change. FY08 not in President Budget. Senate side \$12 million, House side \$2.2 million. Work plan scenario for \$14M, \$10M, and \$18M and team leaders are providing work loads that can be completed with the different scenarios. First cut work plan in advance of the 22 Aug 07 meeting.

### 4. Upcoming meetings and milestone schedules:

-22 Aug 07 NECC/ECC Meeting in LaCrosse.

- 29 & 30 Aug 07 Workshop economic peer panel St Paul 1:00pm-5:30pm and 8:00am to noon.

- Repeated the dates for the Interim Report listed in 2 above.

5. FWS & COE Adaptive Management Communication: Looking for ways to improve communication and dialog between the service and COE RI & St Paul in support of the adaptive

management program. At this time we are sticking with what the stakeholders and the COE agreed to some time ago until authorization we are not going to fire-up institutional arrangements. We need to make sure that we have efficient communication and the adaptive management is an important part of this.

6. Agenda for 22 Aug 07: Better communication strategies with stakeholders before hand. We talk to the stakeholders and find out what they would like to see on the agenda also. Ken's thought for the agenda is 1) the Interim Report. NECC/ECC being combined instead of split for this meeting. Time frame from 8-12 would be going through the interim report and having strong dialog answering any questions and hearing comments with the anticipation of following it up with written comments by 7 Sep. 2) FY08 work plan 3) Adaptive Management Workshop series of 6-7 questions. Science Panel thought they could put the questions out.

- 1) Aren't we doing adaptive management and if not why is it important to do it now.
- 2) What new programs step and products will be required to successfully implement adaptive management?
- 3) How specifically will adaptive management change project restoration planning and design?
- 4) How specifically would adaptive management change monitoring?
- 5) How would adaptive management allow for stronger linkages between system status and trend type monitoring?
- 6) Why are there learning objectives, how do we integrate any objectives into adaptive management plan and examples?
- 7) What program elements are necessary for effective adaptive management approach?

Conference call in September to pick up on Adaptive Management. – Mark Beokrem wanted concrete walk through example on how it works. How much does this affect us on implementing institutional arrangement and how does it play out with authorization.

7. Partner Reports: What other items do we need to discuss.

- What other items is the science panel working on – Goals and Objectives report itself. Need to send these out. Have them sent out before August meeting. Definitely out before September conference call.
- Modeling Workshop for Pool 5 same time as ECC workshop 28-30 Aug 07.
- Fish entrainment – Mark Cornish

Meeting adjourned at 9:15.