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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Booth and Fish and Wildlife Committee Members

FROM: Tony Grover

SUBJECT: Discussion of programmatic issues associated with RM&E/AP review

No programmatic issues remain unresolved by the Committee after the May 24th Committee meeting concerning the research, monitoring and evaluation and artificial production projects.

The recommendation regarding the Upper Columbia water quality and water quantity gauges project, 201005100, remains unresolved, pending staff gathering more information and further discussion by the committee. Staff will present information from the sponsor's proposal. In staff's opinion, the request for BPA funding, if approved, may create a unique precedent of funding water flow gauging as a result of a state water management agency curtailing funding for the gauging. Redesign of the project may resolve these concerns.

No other projects or associated issues in the review remain unresolved by the Committee.