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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fish and Wildlife Committee Members

FROM: Mark Fritsch, project implementation manager

SUBJECT: Quarterly Review of Within-year Project Funding Adjustments for Implementation

PROPOSED ACTION

At your meeting in January, Council staff will review the schedule and timeframe associated with the funding adjustment requests for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2011. This agenda item will be for review and discussion only and no Committee action is requested. After an opportunity for comment, these requests will come back to the Committee and Council for a decision at the February meeting.

BACKGROUND

In 2004, Bonneville and the Council formed a budget oversight group (BOG) to conduct a budget tracking process. A principal role of the BOG is to validate whether the requests are a reschedule or within-year request (i.e., scope change, budget change, scope/budget change, and new request). Reschedules are forwarded to Bonneville for assessment and funding as funds become available, and within-year requests are also forwarded to Bonneville for recommendation on the availability of funds as identified at the quarterly reviews.

The BOG uses the quarterly reviews to initiate a prioritization process to establish which budget adjustment requests can be met with the available funding in the current fiscal year project budget. This process also includes a public comment period.

Two requests were reviewed by the BOG during the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2011. These two requests are seeking a decision in February. As outlined in the attached table (see Attachment 1) the requests are categorized by category (Emergency, Urgent, Threshold, Categorical Review, and Quarterly) per the BOG review. Based on staff review and comment received, the staff will bring to the Committee and the Council a recommendation at the February meeting.

Attachment 1: Within-year project funding adjustments received as part of the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2011.

Category	Project #	Project Title	Sponsor	FY 2011 Budget (BPA)	Request	Status
Quarterly						
	1995-057-00	Southern Idaho Wildlife Mitigation	IDFG	\$440,148	\$457,576	February Decision
	2008-003-00	Removal of Sea Lions at Bonneville Dam	ODFW, WDFW, PSFMC	NA	\$75,857	February Decision