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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 2010. 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 principle 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, reschedule, and new request) and to place the within-year requests into one or more of the sorting categories (1-5). 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.

Of the nine requests reviewed by the BOG during the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2010, four requests will need a decision in February. As outlined in the attached table (see Attachment 1), three requests were withdrawn by the Bonneville, one request was approved by the BOG

Management Group, and one request triggered the threshold adjustment as part of the budget-tracking process.

The requests are categorized by category (1 - 5) 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 2010.**

Category	Project #	Project Title	Sponsor	FY 2010 Budget (BPA)	Request 2010	Status
<b>3a</b>						
	2007-332-00	Mitigation of Marine-Derived Nutrient Loss in Central Idaho	IDFG	\$317,509	\$120,500	February Decision
<b>3b1</b>						
	2000-027-00	Malheur River Wildlife Mitigation	Burns-Paiute Tribe	\$332,722	\$195,845	February Decision
<b>4</b>						
	1999-015-00	Big Canyon Fish Habitat	Nez Perce Soil and Water Conservation District	\$0	\$65,000	February Decision
	1999-016-00	Protect and Restore the Big Canyon Creek Watershed	Nez Perce Tribe	\$0	\$107,500	February Decision
<b>5</b>						
	1996-077-05	Meadow Creek Watershed Restoration (1996-077-05); Mill Creek Watershed Restoration (2000-036-00)	Nez Perce Tribe	\$544,540	\$0 (Scope)	BOG Management, Approved 11-6-09
<b>Threshold</b>						
	199107800	John R. Palensky Wildlife Area	ODFW	\$135,086	\$7,358	Threshold, Approved 11-15-09 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Withdrawn</b>						
	1992-061-03	Albeni Falls Wildlife Mitigation-Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG)	IDFG	\$657,487	\$65,000	Withdrawn by Bonneville <sup>2</sup>
	1992-061-02	Albeni Falls Wildlife Mitigation-Kalispel Tribe	Kalispel Tribe	\$665,356	\$66,000	Withdrawn by Bonneville <sup>3</sup>
	1994-047-00	Lake Pend Oreille Kokanee Mitigation	IDFG	\$944,262	\$94,000	Withdrawn by Bonneville <sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This request is linked to the projects contractual period as it relates to their FY '09 budget of \$135,086.

<sup>2</sup> This request was for FY '09 funds

<sup>3</sup> This request was for FY '09 funds

<sup>4</sup> This request was for FY '09 funds