

BOG Meeting Summary

November 9, 2010

In attendance: Bob Brodberg, Terry Fleming, Jennifer Doherty, Mark Stephenson, Autumn Bonnema, Karen Taberski, Jay Davis, Gary Ichikawa, Michael Lyons, Jon Marshack, Cassandra Lamerdin, Eric von der Geest, Dylan Service, Ken Schiff, Gail Cho, Karen Worcester, Michelle Wood

Item 1: Roll Call and General Updates

Item 2: Presentation of Coast Year 1 Data

Key Points

1. Various options for displaying the data for each zone on a map were discussed:
 - shade the whole zone,
 - use a shaded symbol placed at the location where the most fish were caught,
 - use a shaded symbol placed at the centroid of the zone,
 - use a shaded circle encompassing all of the spots in a zone where the fish were caught.

The group agreed that we should use the second option to draft some figures, and see how these look.

Action Items

- Draft figures using this approach and distribute them to the group.
- Ken will coordinate with Jay on drafting figures.

Item 3: Sampling Design for Rivers and Streams

A preliminary outline of a sampling plan was presented and discussed. Revisions were made and are captured in the version dated 11-10-10.

Key Points

- We should shoot for having the sampling plan and QAPP completed by the end of February to allow for the possibility of sampling spring run species.
- We may also want to collect later run fish, such as steelhead on the Klamath and Trinity.
- Management Questions: The group decided to focus on the statewide condition question and the “is further sampling needed for development of safe eating guidelines?” question. The budget is too limited to address the 303(d) question for rivers and streams, and the need for these data for listing purposes is not great.
- The group agreed that this survey should be limited to one year.
- We should try to get other programs to pitch in – possibilities include the regions with a lot of popular fishing sites (regions 1, 5, and 6).
- Michelle provided Region 5 input on sampling sites (and also sent this to Jay and Gary in a followup email.
- Karen W and Karen T expressed support for the idea of moving on to aquatic life monitoring in 2012.

Action Items

- Gary to get moving on obtaining the necessary permits.
- Plan and prepare for collection of early and late run fish if necessary.
- Jay and Autumn and Gary, with help from the group, should develop a strawman plan given the better defined scope resulting from the meeting. The plan should:
 - Be limited to one year
 - Aim to sample the whole population of interest if possible, or consider a probability sampling approach if necessary (e.g., perhaps for trout streams)
 - Be developed with more input from regions 1, 5, and 6; and keep the BOG in the loop.
 - Be based on a better idea of the population to be sampled (especially needed for trout streams)
 - Check with fishing groups to see if they are interested in collaborating: California Sportfishing Alliance, Cal Trout, fly fishing groups

Item 4: Next Meeting

- Tentatively set for Nov 30
- Agenda Items
 - Discussion of straw design for rivers and streams
 - Prioritization of portal tasks
- Next meeting after that tentatively set for Dec 21