National Fish Habitat Board Meeting

March 9-10 2014 Draft Agenda and Board Book Tabs

Downtown Sheraton (Room: Governors Square 10)

Denver, Colorado

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Sunday, March 9

1:00-1:15	Welcome and Introductions		Bob Broscheid *(Director, Colorado Parks and Wildlife)*
1:15-1:30	Housekeeping *Desired outcomes:* • **Board action** to approve draft agenda and draft January meeting minutes. • **Board review** of future meeting schedules and format. - Summer Board call / video conference - November Board meeting in conjunction with the Restore Americas Estuaries / The Coastal Society Conference	Tab 1	Kelly Hepler (*Board Chair-AK Dept. of Fish and Game)*
1:30-1:45	Chair Updates *Desired outcome:* • **Discussion** on NFHP Budget - USFWS update on cooperative agreements. • **Discussion** on process for appointing a new Chair.		Kelly Hepler (*Board Chair-AK Dept. of Fish and Game)*
1:45-2:30	Report on the Performance Evaluation of the Board *Desired outcome:* • **Board** awareness of results. • **Board** discussion on next steps for action.	Tab 2	Cecilia Lewis *(Board Staff, FWS)* & Ryan Roberts *(Board Staff, AFWA)*
2:30-3:30	Corporate Engagement Strategy Update *Desired outcome:* • **Board action** to approve the corporate engagement strategy. • **Board action** to approve draft NFHP core values. • **Overview of** crowdsourcing mechanism to raise funds.	Tab 3	Tom Champeau *(Board member, SEAFWA)*, Joe Starinchak (FWS), Chris Horton *(Board member*, CSA) & Ryan Roberts *(Board Staff, AFWA),* John LeCoq (Fishpond)

3:30-3:45	Break		
3:45-4:15	Communications Committee Update *Desired outcome*: • **Informational update** on NFHP awards. • **Informational update** on 10 Waters to Watch.	Tab 4	Ryan Roberts *(Board Staff, AFWA)*
4:15-4:45	Science and Data Committee Update *Desired outcomes*: • **Informational update** on 2015 assessment • **Informational update** on project effectiveness • **Informational update** on Committee business	Tab 5	Gary Whelan (*Board Staff, MI Dept. of Natural Resources)* & Andrea Ostroff *(Board Staff, USGS)*
4:45-5:15	Assessment of Habitat in the Great Plains *Desired outcome*: • **Informational update**		Steve Krentz *(Great Plains FHP Coordinator)*
5:30-7:30	Board Reception, Denver Sheraton – Sponsored by Western Native Trout Initiative and Fishpond		
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8:30-9:15	Consideration of the Southeast Alaska Candidate FHP for Formal Recognition *Desired outcome*: • **Board action** to approve or disapprove	Tab 6	Debbie Hart *(Coordinator)*
9:15-9:45	Proposal: Federal Agency Fish and Fish-habitat Related Grant Program Review *Desired outcomes*: • **Informational update** on draft proposal • **Discussion on** next steps for requesting a federal grant program review	Tab 7	Stan Allen *(Board member, PSMFC)*
9:45-10:00	Break		
10:00-12:00	Joint Session with FWS Fisheries Assistant Regional Directors *Desired outcome:*	Tab 8	Kelly Hepler (*Board Chair, AK Dept. of Fish*

	• **Informational update** on FWS funding allocation. • **Discussion on** NFHP's role in the FWS strategic plan. • **Discussion on** strengthening FWS NFHP communications. • **Discussion on broadening** NFHP support beyond FWS funds • **Discussion on** future group engagement with federal agency regional leadership.		*and Game) &* David Hoskins *(FWS Asst. Director, Fish and Aquatic Conservation)*
12:00-1:30	Lunch		
1:30-2:00	501(c) 3 Update *Desired outcome:* • **Informational update** on documents in support of the formulation of a 501(c)3.	Tab 9	Matt Menashes *(Board Staff, AFWA),* Steve Moyer *(Board Member, TU) &* Mike Andrews *(TNC, Board Vice-chair)*
2:00-2:15	Landscape Conservation Cooperatives National Council Meeting *Desired outcome:* • **Informational update** on the inaugural LCC National Council meeting that occurred on February 4th and 5th.	Tab 10	Mike Andrews *(TNC, Board Vice-chair)*
2:15- 2:30	Regional Fishery Management Council Coordination Committee Update *Desired outcome:* • **Informational update on** the February Council Coordination Committee meeting.	Tab 11	Chris Moore *(Board member, MAFMC)*
2:30-3:00	Legislation Update *Desired outcome* • **Informational update** on the status of NFHP legislation.	Tab 12	Gordon Robertson *(Board member, ASA)*
3:00-3:15	Break		
3:15-4:45	Joint Session with State Fisheries Administrators *Desired outcome:* • **Discussion on** State fish habitat activities. • **Discussion on** how NFHP supports State needs. • **Discussion on** NFHP strengthens and concerns from a State perspective. • **Discussion on** ways to strengthen relationships between state programs and NFHP.	Tab 13	Kelly Helper (*Board Chair-AK Dept. of Fish and Game),* Mike Stone (WAFWA)

4:45-5:00	Meeting wrap up	Kelly Hepler (*Board Chair-AK Dept. of Fish and Game)*