

ROC on LTO meeting
September 19, 2017

Attendees: Katrina, Janice, Luke, Ben, Kim S., Jana, Cathy, Melanie, Harry, Maryanne, Mike, Michelle, Carl, Garwin, Gardner

Secretarial order issued within the last month or so and applies to all EISs (need to be 150 pages and completed in 1 year).

- NEPA scoping FRN not started because of this requirement
- May be work on the process, but not officially NEPA
- Reclamation is considering pursuing a waiver

PMP:

- Reclamation will revise the PMP to sync up with the MOU
- An expectation in the MOU is that the agencies develop and implement a PMP
- Hold off signing PMP until at least the October 2 meeting with the PWAs

Trinity River Division:

- Reclamation met with the Hoopa Valley Tribe on 9/14 and Yurok Tribe
- Hoopa concerned with including the TRD with ROC on LTO and more water going to the Central Valley
- Hoopa concerned about staff turnover
- Not a G-to-G meeting, but staff to staff
- Reclamation-NCAO suggests a meeting in Arcata

CWF vs. Programmatic Components

- CWF construction effects go to the environmental baseline for the ROC on LTO. Transparency regarding project-specific operations for NMFS and programmatic operations for USFWS.
- CWF operations would be included in the ROC on LTO proposed action and analyzed as a phased approach, the first 15 years without CWF operations and remainder with CWF operations.
- Reclamation will take a shot at developing a briefing paper for the solicitors to weigh in on.

Friant Division:

- Reclamation, USFWS, and NMFS met last Friday
- Table of Friant activities OK except for how Exchange Contractors would be made whole
- Reclamation will clean up the table

Indefinite/no sunset date

- Has to do with supporting long-term contracts
- Include climate change scenarios and phased implementation
- Could have climate check ins
- Reclamation suggests no sunset date, but OK with NMFS/USFWS imposes one.

