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Subject: Bighorn River Dam and Reservoir Working Group Meeting

On January 17, 2008, the Bureau of Reclamation will be hosting the Bighorn River System, Long-Term Issues Working Group (Group) meeting at the Montana State University – Downtown Campus in Billings, Montana. A draft meeting agenda is included at the end of this message. Your participation is welcome and would be greatly appreciated.

Topics will include:

- Discussion on the Group's Scope of Work
- Presentation on Bighorn River Fisheries
- Presentation on Managing Conflict
- Updates on Technical Team Activities

Information pertaining to previous meeting discussions and topics is available on our Website at <http://www.usbr.gov/gp/mtao/> for your review.

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Sincerely,

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Big Horn River System
Long-Term Issues Group
Meeting Agenda - January 17, 2008
Montana State University – Downtown Campus
214 N. Broadway
Billings, MT

Meeting Outcomes

- 1) Discussion/decision on inclusion of short-term issues
- 2) Increase knowledge of river fishery resources
- 3) Insights into multi-stakeholder problem solving processes
- 4) Information exchange on technical activities

9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

9:10 Overview (Barb Beck)

- Review agenda, desired outcomes, process, ground rules
- Brief summary of previous meetings and agreements

9:30 Discussion on Scope of Work for this Group (Reclamation / All)

- Adding short-term issues to the Scope of the Group
- Name change to reflect incorporation of short-term issues
- Documenting this change in scope through a Charter

10:00 Bighorn River Fisheries (Ken Frazer, Montana FWP)

10:30 BREAK

10:45 Building Institutional Capacity to Address Conflict (Matthew McKinney, Director, Public Policy Research Institute, University of Montana)

11:30 Lunch (on your own)

12:15 Building Institutional Capacity to Address Conflict (Matthew McKinney, Director, Public Policy Research Institute, University of Montana)

1:00 Technical Team Reports/Status

- Sedimentation (Dan Pridal, USACE)
- River Side Channel Mitigation (Hellekson, Reclamation)
- Flood Pool Modifications (Doug Clemetson, USACE)
- Others?

2:15 Proposed Activities, Products and Schedule (Duberstein / Jewell)

2:50 Wrap Up

- Meeting review - Are we on the right track?
- Next meeting

3:00 Adjourn

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Location Map

