

## **Highlights, Decisions and Tasks**

### **LTMS Science Group Meeting 10/20/08**

#### **Future Meeting Dates**

Science Group: Nov 18, 1:00 – 3:30

Fish Tacking Study: Stakeholder Meeting

Herring Study: Stakeholder Meeting: Nov 20

Science Group: Dec 18, 9:30-12:00

#### **Revamping the Science Group Meetings**

1. The LTMS Long Term Group suggested that the Science Group convene a symposium on Green Sturgeon which would involve local and national scientists and managers. The symposium would be used as a venue to identify possible technical studies on green sturgeon which would result in possible management actions. The Science group will proceed with this recommendation once funding is available.
2. Other suggested potential symposia topics include: longfin smelt; EFH; follow-up on water quality; critical habitat; ecosystem-based management; and sediment budget.
3. There was discussion of whether to retrospectively look at completed LTMS-funded studies for a retrospective analysis.

#### **Update on Work Products**

1. A request was made to ask SFEI to present a follow-up to the document on Water Quality at a Science Group or LTMS Managers meeting.
2. The contract for the Fish Tracking Study was awarded to UC Davis, a stakeholders meeting will be arranged for November
3. The contract for the Herring Study was awarded to Bodega Bay Marine Laboratory, a stakeholders meeting will be arranged for November.

#### **Fish Tracking Update**

1. UC Davis is continuing to analyze data from 2007 and 2008; the first draft report should be available at the end of October.
2. Comments on the three-year study plan have been submitted by the Corps; we are waiting for responses to those comments.

#### **Action Items**

1. Post Herring paper and Water Quality paper on LTMS website (Brostoff).
2. Contact SFEI regarding presentation on Water Quality (Brostoff).

#### **Attendees**

Bill Brostoff (USACE), Jessica Hamburger (BCDC), Tom Keegan (ECORP), George Isaac (DFG), Carolyn Box (BCDC), Rob Lawrence (USACE), Jim Hausner (CMANC), Brenda Goeden (BCDC), Allison Bremner (USACE), Jessica Burton Evans (USACE), Andrew Martin (Westin Solutions) (phone in), David Woodbury (NMFS) (phone in).