

FABEC Minutes April 26, 2023

Present

Derek Sparkes

Harvey Garrett

Shawn Rowe

Kevin Stroud

John Baird

John Lane

Curtis Pennell (v)

Paul Stewart (v)

Agenda

Public consultations on proposed regulation changes

Temperature profile study

Catch and release study

DFO meeting debriefing

WSW launch

Beaver dam project

FABEC building

Student jobs

Moved by Kevon Stroud, seconded by Harvey Garrett to adopt agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Harvey Garrett, seconded by Derek Sparkes to adopt the minutes of March 30

Temperature Profile Project Update

- Funds from ASCF for 2022 is being clued up with a cheque for \$24,000 arriving soon.
- Another cheque for approximately \$19,000 for 2023 phase also arriving soon
- Remainder will be forthcoming after final project report is submitted
- Curtis hoping to come out to place additional loggers with John Lane by late May
- Curtis received additional research funding, some of which should be available later this summer, hopefully to cover some helicopter time.]
- Curtis feels there is no need to collect data from the remote loggers until helicopter time is ready

Catch and Release Study Update

- No change to what Curtis presented previously
- Curtis and John will install telemetry stations in late May / early June

Salmon Tracking Proposal

- Kris Hunter says funding will be forthcoming. ASF has to decide from which pot of money funding will be provided.
- Tags need to be ordered asap in order to be received in time. Curtis said he may be able to take temporarily from DFO inventory and we can replace when we get our tags

Beaver dam project

- John B has applied for DFO permits for general areas of Butts Brook and Northwest Brook
- Devon has explored video surveillance equipment we will need to recording fish movement through fish flow devices
- Some discussion regarding dimensions of fish flow pipe. Some concern raised that pipe may drain water levels above dam especially if water levels are low'

Summer Job Program

- CSJ has cut our grant in half from previous years. Only one job funded instead of two.
- Shawn will call Churence Rogers office to see if we can get that changed.
- We will make up the shortfall of funds from the catch and release study??

Follow-up on Meeting with DFO Resource Management

- No info back from DFO
- Derek will contact Curtis Gillingham re: signage at Grant Falls area
- We will propose to DFO a public meeting on June 6 or 13
- Need to be diligent in temperature and closure protocols especially for Northwest Brook

WSW Launch

- Still waiting for ASF feedback on proposed date
- Launch committee will meet very soon

FABEC Building

- Water infeed pipe is broken from freezing and needs to be repaired

Liability Insurance

- Kevin will check on status of directors liability insurance