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From: Howard Brown - NOAA Federal
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2019 7:00 AM
To: Cathy Marcinkevage - NOAA Federal
Cc: Garwin Yip; Maria Rea
Subject: Re: ROC LTO Analytical Approach Walk-Through Slides

Thanks for sending this out, Cathy.

My first take-away is that there a lot of slides to work with. I'm assuming you will walk through many of them quickly.

I have a few comments, but considering the turnaround time, I wouldn't expect you to crank out major changes.

1. Page 1 is titled "Objectives" and describes the regulatory definition of Jeopardy and Adverse Mod. I am assuming that you will use this slide to explain that the objective is to evaluate whether or not the PA will result in J or Adverse Mod and not walk through the definition itself.
2. Slide 13: This uses steelhead rearing below Keswick as an example. I am thinking that Reclamation might read something into this or want to start talking about details of our effects analysis. I am wondering if we could develop a slide that uses a different example; perhaps a hypothetical situation or an example that looks at a species response to something non-operational, such as construction.
3. Reference Condition? This terminology could open up a WOA discussion. I know this has been discussed internally, but just want to flag it.
4. Environmental Baseline and WOA. I am sure this will come up today, so I will develop some basic talking points to help us manage any questions. The important part is to mention that we do no compare the effects of the action to the baseline (or the WOA) but that our analysis is additive. We might even want to go so far as to use some of the FWS language from their baseline section and acknowledge that it is layered into the baseline but not the only piece and that we are still working on it in coordination with FWS (only for talking points though, so no changes to the slides)

That's it for now. Happy to discuss in person.

Howard

On Sun, Apr 14, 2019 at 11:37 PM Cathy Marcinkevage - NOAA Federal <cathy.marcinkevage@noaa.gov> wrote:

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Attached are the slides for the subject walk-through with Reclamation on Monday afternoon.

Please let me know by noon Monday if you'd like to see any revisions.

Thanks,
Cathy

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