

Please find attached a response from The Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon (CTWSRO) for Project # **2008-301-00**, *Habitat Restoration Planning, Design and Implementation within the boundaries of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, lower Deschutes River, Oregon.*

This response is intended to address a condition placed on this project, for the Beaver Creek work area, as part of the Council decision made on February 7, 2012.

Following is a summary of the Council decision and condition placed on the three work areas. Please note that this decision was based on the three qualifications identified in the ISRP's last review (ISRP document 2011-27).

1. The CTWSRO will submit further detail as requested by the ISRP for each work area as detailed in the following.
  - a) Beaver Creek: Upper Beaver, Coyote, and Quartz creeks enhancement will be made available for review during Spring/Summer 2012;
  - b) Mill Creek: Potters Pond to Boulder Creek restoration available Spring/Summer 2012; and
  - c) Warm Springs River: Large woody debris additions/placements available for review in late 2012/early 2013 or reviewed during the Geographical Review.

Bonneville will include as part of contracting specific deliverable of the details for the three proposed project work areas that can be used as the basis to evaluate project merit and action effectiveness. In response to the ISRP request, at a minimum the deliverables will include site-specific detail defining baseline habitat condition; expected improved condition post implementation; a description of how restoration will contribute to improved parameters of focal species for each site; and a description of project evaluation criteria and monitoring to determine action effectiveness. Site-specific monitoring and results will be included in annual reporting requirements for the project. Implementation of the three work areas will be based on a favorable review by the ISRP.

2. The goal of this CTWSRO habitat project is to protect, manage, and restore aquatic habitats in Reservation watersheds, given the Council's understanding of the focus of this project, the Council expects adequate monitoring of physical aspects of restoration actions to detect whether the desired physical change is achieved. The Council understands the difficulty of detecting a fish population response at a local project scale. The Council therefore anticipates regional status and trend and watershed effectiveness programs, such as IMWs, to provide within the appropriate timeframe the evidence that these type of habitat restoration actions do contribute to improved fish condition and productivity.
3. The qualification raised by the ISRP is addressed in #2 above and in the work area submittal and review by the ISRP as addressed in #1.

Based on the ISRP review the Council **supports continued planning and design** associated with projects in Beaver Creek, Mill Creek and Warm Springs River. Implementation of the plans in Beaver Creek, Mill Creek and the Warm Springs are conditioned on favorable review from the ISRP.

The response received on October 26, 2012 is for the Mill Creek: Potters Pond to Boulder Creek restoration work area and included the following.

- A memorandum for the Mill Creek: Potters Pond to Boulder Creek restoration
- A hyperlink to the [Mill Creek at Potter's Pond](#) – Stream Enhancement Designs, Final Design Plans (link is also in memorandum)

If you have any questions please give me a call. Mark