

**Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee
Meeting Accomplishments – February 23-26, 2015 Meeting**

Substantive Recommendations

- Reached final consensus to recommend the Corps move expeditiously to enable funding for MRRIC member travel as considered by WRDA

Process Decisions

- Approved MRRIC Consent Agenda: November 2014 meeting summary; member disclosure; work group membership; 2015 MRRIC work plan
- Approved formation of the Adaptive Management Ad Hoc Group
- Approved existing Work Group tasks and new members to Work Groups

Learned About

- Effects Analysis Interim Final Reports (EA #6) and the Independent Science Advisory Panel (ISAP) evaluation
- Proposed framework for planning actions to address Missouri River pallid sturgeon hypotheses (within the draft adaptive management plan)
- MRRMP test alternatives for the birds and modeling results and the ISAP feedback
- Adaptive Management Plan Components and the ISAP and the Independent Social and Economic Technical Review (ISETR) feedback
- Update on and progress towards Human Considerations proxy metrics
- Overarching progress on the development of the USACE Missouri River Recovery Management Plan (MRRMP)
- Pre-meeting Agency Updates Webinar topics
- Status of the pallid sturgeon, least tern, piping plover, and long-eared bat

May 2015 Agenda

Agenda Work Group Appointments:

New:

- Doug Crow Ghost
- Dan Engemann
- Chris Longhenry
- Reno Red Cloud

Continuing:

- Mike Armstrong
- Bill Drummond
- Brad Walker

Potential Agenda Items:

- Description of bird test alternatives and application of human considerations proxies
- First round of consequences and trade-offs
- Pallid sturgeon framework decision criteria for the seven hypotheses and the associated level 3 implementation efforts
- Adaptive management governance and the AM implementation approach being developed
- Engagement with ISAP and TPSN
- Engagement with ISETR and TPSN
- Engagement with the EA Team
- Sharing of member interests
- Information sharing from Tribal Interests Work Group
- Chair's Hour (to include 10 minutes for members to raise issues)
- Work Group breakout sessions
- Discussion of agency updates (which will be provided via pre-meeting webinar)
- Operational activities

Anticipated Pre-meeting Agency Webinar Topics:

- MRRP update
- Water management
- Update on Yellowstone Intake Project, Record of Decision (ROD), and next steps
- Update on litigation

Possible Additional Webinar Topics:

- Discussion of degradation calculations and assumptions
- Discussion of modelling results using the human considerations proxy measures