

FISH.NET POLICY ACCESS NETWORK WITH NW FISHLETTER

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SHORT DESCRIPTION:

Continue to develop, publicize and maintain a Fish.NET web page project on Internet which gathers and organizes policy and scientific information and which hosts and publishes the fortnightly NW Fishletter periodical, which reports objective policy and scientific news supported by hyperlinked documents. The audience for the newsletter includes fish management professionals, fish scientists, commissions & associations, river users, environmentalists, fish activists, power utility staff, consultants, engineers, news media, business & industry, the general public and federal, state & tribal governments.

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SUB-CONTRACTORS:

NA

GOALS

GENERAL:

Program coordination or planning

NPPC PROGRAM MEASURE:

No response

RELATION TO MEASURE:

NA

BACKGROUND

HISTORY:

Fish.NET was designed as a demonstration project developing a page on the World Wide Web of Internet. This page hosts a Web Detector section which lists, links and describes useful regional fish & wildlife information available on the Internet. The page also hosts NW Fishletter, a fortnightly periodical with summary policy/scientific news stories containing hyperlinks to documents which provide details of the story subject. The demonstration runs from September 1995 through May 1996 and was funded by BPA (\$24,600); the Montana office of the Power Council (\$20,000); the Idaho office (\$10,000); the National Marine Fisheries Service (\$2,500); the DSIs (\$9,000) and the Mid-Columbia PUDs (14,000). Continued funding for the balance of FY 1996 was provided by BPA; extension funding for FY 1997 was approved by the Council and includes support from the Mid-Columbias, DSIs and NMFS.

BIOLOGICAL RESULTS ACHIEVED:

N/A

PROJECT REPORTS AND PAPERS:

The most recent issue of NW Fishletter can be seen at <http://www.newsdata.com/enernet/fishnet/fishletter/fishletter.html>

ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS:

It is assumed that this project could enhance adaptive program management and related processes by providing a common frame of policy and scientific information over time. Timely identification of and access to documents would be enhanced.

PURPOSE AND METHODS

SPECIFIC MEASUREABLE OBJECTIVES:

N/A

CRITICAL UNCERTAINTIES:

N/A

BIOLOGICAL NEED:

N/A

HYPOTHESIS TO BE TESTED:

N/A

METHODS:

N/A

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

SCHEDULE:

PROJECT COMPLETION DATE:

1997

CONSTRAINTS OR FACTORS THAT MAY CAUSE SCHEDULE OR BUDGET CHANGES:

N/A

OUTCOMES, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

SUMMARY OF EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Expected performance of target population or quality change in land area affected:

It is expected that the project will make fish and wildlife policy development at the regional level more intelligible to those concerned because the NW Fishletter periodical will report news in a sustained, comprehensive and objective manner. No such service is now available. The project can also provide a medium for policy players to present information to a general peer group in an effective and economical way---to become a recognized and reliable information channel that in energy parlance is used and useful.

MONITORING APPROACH

N/A

RELATIONSHIPS

OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION:

N/A

COSTS AND FTE

1997 Planned: \$63,000

FUTURE FUNDING NEEDS:

<u>FY</u>	<u>\$ NEED</u>	<u>% PLAN</u>	<u>% IMPLEMENT</u>	<u>% O AND M</u>
1998	\$97,925	5%	95%	
1999	\$102,821	5%	95%	

PAST OBLIGATIONS (incl. 1997 if done):

<u>FY</u>	<u>OBLIGATED</u>
1996	\$59,600
TOTAL:	\$59,600

Note: Data are past obligations, or amounts committed by year, not amounts billed. Does not include data for related projects.

<u>FY</u>	<u>OTHER FUNDING SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>IN-KIND VALUE</u>
1998	Mid-Cols, DSIs, NMFS, BOR	\$56,000	
1999	Mid-Cols, DSIs, NMFS, BOR	\$59,000	

HOW DOES PERCENTAGE APPLY TO DIRECT COSTS:

[Overhead % not provided so BPA appended older data.]