

Rocky Reach Meeting Minutes

To: Distribution List
From: Gene Yow
Subject: Erosion Working Group Issues
Date: November 30, 2001
Location: Energy Services Library, Chelan PUD Headquarters, Wenatchee, Washington
Attendees: Joe Kastenholz, US Forest Service (USFS)
Joe Rumble, Monitor Community Council (Monitor)
Gene Yow, Chelan PUD (PUD)

Erosion Control Plan

The meeting started at 8:45 a.m. with a discussion of the need for an erosion control plan for the Project. No erosion sites were noted on federal lands within the project boundary. There is a site in the inventory, which is on BLM land, but it was found to be within the Wells Project boundary. Other sites are on private property for which Chelan PUD holds easements. Individual property owners will be responsible to plan and carry out any erosion control work on those sites.

Joe K. (USFS) pointed out that, since the reservoir started out as a river it would have exhibited shoreline erosion prior to Project development. The reservoir retains some of the characteristics of a river and the same or similar erosion continues. There are some species that benefit from the erosion, so it should not be assumed that all erosion should be stopped. Erosion should be treated only where it needs to be controlled for some specific reason, and it should be treated minimally where it needs to be controlled.

The consensus of the group was that no erosion control plan is needed, so that part of the study plan will not be carried out.

Erosion Control Methods Notebook

The group then discussed the preparation of an erosion control methods notebook. Gene pointed out that the notebook of techniques from the Lake Chelan is available, and some of the methods are applicable. Also, the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) is a few years into the process of preparing *Integrated Streambank Protection Guidelines*, which contains very similar information.

The consensus of the group was that people could be referred to the two documents mentioned and that there is no need to prepare a separate erosion control methods notebook for the Rocky Reach Project. As a result, this part of the study plan will not be carried out.

Next Meeting

Joe R. asked whether any more meetings of the erosion group are planned. Gene did not expect to hold any more meetings unless something unforeseen comes up that would require a meeting. Gene thanked the group members for their participation. The meeting ended at 9:45 a.m.