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Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2005 10:38 AM
To: Susan France (sfrance@dnr.state.ne.us); Roger Patterson (rpatterson@dnr.state.ne.us); Ann Bleed (ableed@dnr.state.ne.us)
Subject: FW: Surface Water Transfers Subcommittee

FYI:
email thread re: legislative fixes information I sent to WPTF Subcommittee. Ann

-----Original Message-----

From: Chad Smith [mailto:csmith@americanrivers.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2005 8:45 AM
To: Larry Hutchinson; dnrDiers, Ann
Cc: ngpcadmNelson, Kirk
Subject: RE: Surface Water Transfers Subcommittee

I concur with Hutch that this would set up a bad precedent and would seem to place an undue burden on instream flow appropriations. Given that I am not on the WPTF (though I would like to be!) and have not been invited to the May 24th meeting, maybe I should talk with Dave Sands about bringing up our concerns about this matter.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Larry Hutchinson [mailto:lhutch@ngpc.state.ne.us]
Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2005 9:37 AM
To: dnrDiers, Ann; Chad Smith
Cc: ngpcadmNelson, Kirk
Subject: Re: Surface Water Transfers Subcommittee

I wouldn't want to see such a change. For one thing it would probably force us to have legal counsel to help us present a case for continuing the permit. I expect for the Platte River instream flow appropriations they may be contested (maybe for CPNRD as well as NGPC) anyway. However there may be future isf appropriations that would be as easily handled as it was for Long Pine where no one contested the appropriation. We need to discuss this some more before the May 24 SWT Subcommittee meeting.

Hutch

----- Original Message -----

From: "Chad Smith" <csmith@americanrivers.org>
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Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2005 11:38 AM
Subject: RE: Surface Water Transfers Subcommittee

> What are your thoughts on the proposed changes to instream flow reviews? Seems like requiring a hearing no matter what might not be necessary. Anything here that we need to make sure is properly addressed through the WPTF?

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> -----Original Message-----

> **From:** Larry Hutchinson [mailto:lhutch@ngpc.state.ne.us]
> **Sent:** Mon 5/2/2005 1:47 PM
> **To:** Chad Smith

> Cc:
> Subject: Fw: Surface Water Transfers Subcommittee
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> Hi Chad,
> You might be interested in this info. NOTE the proposed amendments to instream flow appropriation reviews.
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> Hutch
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> Sent: Monday, May 02, 2005 12:22 PM
> Subject: Surface Water Transfers Subcommittee
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> Good afternoon:
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> Pursuant to the discussion at the March 2nd Water Policy Task Force meeting, and Brian
Barels' email dated April 15th, attached are a letter, my earlier memo relating to
proposed LB 962 revisions, and a document showing the proposed changes to the statutes.
(Note that the memo was redlined to show changes from a January version of the memo that
was also circulated).
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> As the letter states, these are intended to be a starting point for our meeting on May
24th in Brian Barels' office.
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> Let me know if you have any questions.
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