Technical Feedback Group Involvement Process

Purpose

Technical Feedback Meetings are to gather technical information and viewpoints from technical experts and other Stakeholders.

Work Groups

- Fishery Management
- Water Management
- Environmental Compliance and Permitting
- Engineering and Design

Benefit of Technical Feedback Group

- Present Program Work before the Final Draft
- Gather information and viewpoints early in the development of the Technical Memos and other Program documents
- Help the Program address conflicts early

Technical Feedback Group

- Third Parties
- Landowners
- Facility Owners
- Cooperating Agencies
- Settling Parties
- Academics
- Other Interested Stakeholders
- * There is no set attendees or membership

Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA)

FACA applies when:

The committee is established by an agency head (the Administrator) to obtain advice or recommendations for himself or other federal officers in the executive branch

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FACA does not apply when:

■ The intent of a meeting is to obtain information or viewpoints from individual attendees as opposed to advice, opinions or recommendations from the group acting in a collective mode.

Why TFG Meetings Do Not Apply to FACA

- This is not a committee
- There is no set attendee list
- There will be no agreement, decisionmaking, consensus, or recommendations made during the meeting

Documents

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- Program Management Plan
- Technical Memorandum
- Maps
- Pictures