NOTE: Policy caucuses approved this proposal on 7/9/15, contingent upon the vote from the eastside tribal caucus (hopefully delivered the week of July 13).

Convene a group of practitioners with representation from caucuses to identify best practices regarding electrofishing within the context of protocol surveys (including a literature synthesis of some sort), including:

- How to reduce site-specific impacts of practices of protocol survey electrofishing, and
- How to reduce overall extent of the surveys’ use.

Any policy issues identified during the technical group’s work will be recorded and forwarded to Policy, not addressed by the technical group.

Timeframe:

1. The AMPA will convene a technical group by the August Board meeting. Policy asks the technical group: “What can the technical group identify to inform Policy’s recommendations on how to reduce site-specific impacts of electrofishing and the overall extent of the protocol surveys’ use?”

2. At the August Policy meeting, Policy will generate a full list of all things the technical group should consider (including implementation issues and other relevant documents and questions previously raised – for example: memo from UCUT to AMPA (Dec 2013), Tech/Op memo, FFR sections, draft water typing Charter documents (2013), comments to the draft electrofishing literature review (May/June 2015), comments to the electrofishing workshop summary (Feb 2015), etc.). Hans will pass that complete list to the technical group.

3. At the September Policy meeting, Policy will review a draft workplan for what the technical group will do to meet the Board motion. The workplan will also include a list of the documents from Policy’s list that the technical group will review/consider and also those that they consider irrelevant so Policy knows where to review/consider those documents in another venue. Policy will approve the technical group’s workplan with any edits necessary.