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ATTENTION OF

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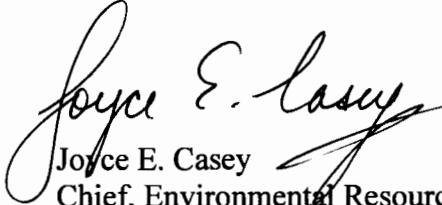
Dear Interested Reviewer:

Enclosed is a final copy of the Engineering Design Report, THE DALLES EAST FISH LADDER AUXILIARY WATER BACKUP SYSTEM. The purpose of the Engineering Design Report, drafted by HDR, is to recommend an alternative that will provide an emergency backup water supply in the event that the current AWS is rendered inoperable. Several previous efforts have addressed this need, however, a significant change in the design criteria (namely a reduction in the required AWS discharge) necessitated a complete reassessment of alternatives.

Providing an emergency water supply for the East Fish Ladder is specifically identified as an important passage improvement need under RPA 28 of the 2010 FCRPS Biological Opinion.

The review period for this report is closed, but if you have any comments or questions, please contact Sean Tackley at [sean.c.tackley@usace.army.mil](mailto:sean.c.tackley@usace.army.mil) or 503-808-4751. Thank you for your continued participation in the design review process.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure