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RE: NMFS Access to Bonneville Project

The purpose of this letter is to request access to the Bonneville Project in 2014, specifically the Juvenile Fish Monitoring Facility (JFMF) and the Second Powerhouse intake deck. Access is needed to conduct two activities:

- 1) A BPA-funded evaluation of PIT-tag detection equipment upgrades and evaluation of a new prototype PIT tag at the Second Powerhouse Corner Collector, NMFS contact Sandy Downing (206) 860-5604).
- 2) Separation-by-code recapture and collection of biological data from juvenile salmonids PIT-tagged at Lower Granite Dam. This activity is part of research investigating seasonal effects of transporting fish, funded by the USACE Walla Walla District. The NMFS contact for this activity is Tiffani Marsh (206) 860-3235.

Our Bonneville Project POC is expected to be Andrew Traylor (541) 374-4020. We are aware of the pre-project documentation required of researchers working at Bonneville Project. This documentation will be provided to Tammy Mackey and Andrew Traylor prior to initiating research activities. Thank you for considering our request for project access.

Sincerely,

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