

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PORTLAND DISTRICT BONNEVILLE PROJECT PO BOX 150 CASCADE LOCKS, OR 97014-0150

August 25, 2017

Tom Wadsworth District 10 Fish Biologist Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, Region 5 Natural Resources Building 1111 Washington Street SE Olympia, WA 98501

Dear Mr. Wadsworth:

This is in response to your June 20, 2017, letter requesting approval for access to Bonneville Dam and the Adult Fish Facility (AFF) to capture adult Chinook and Coho salmon. These fish will be used as control fish in a study designed to evaluate post-release mortality rates associated with salmon caught in purse seines. Approximately 960 fish will be taken, at a rate of approximately 40 per day, three days per week, between August 28 and October 27. The fish will be PIT tagged and transported to net pens in the Columbia River near Skamania landing, where they will be held for 48 hours before release back to the river. All WDFW members shall be required to follow all protocols found in the current Fish Passage Plan (FPP), including Appendix G- AFF, for Bonneville Dam.

With respect to the work outlined in your research packet, your request is generally approved, provided you are able to obtain all necessary permits. No work may begin until valid and current permits, or an explanation as to why permits are not required, are on file with Mr. Andrew Derugin and Ms. Erin Kovalchuk.

Prior to beginning work, please arrange a meeting with Mr. Andrew Derugin, 541-374-4020. Please remain in contact with Mr. Derugin throughout your time at the dam. There are many researchers and contractors working at the dam; please work to ensure good communication and cooperation between agencies and organizations. In addition to coordinating with Project Fisheries, you will also coordinate collection activities with Mr. Jon Whiteaker, CRITFC, at whij@critfc.org.

A copy of this letter has been posted to NWP Access Responses found at: http://www.nwdwc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/NWP%20Research/2014%20N WP%20Access/

If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Mr. Derugin via e-mail, <u>andrew.g.derugin@usace.army.mil</u> or by phone.

Sincerely,

Patrick L. Duyck Operations Project Manager Bonneville Project

## **CENWP STAFFING SHEET**

RTAO: Andrew Derugin, CENWP-OD-B

DATE: 25 August 2017

SUBJECT: Approval letter for Tom Wadsworth- WDFW

DESIRED ACTION: Requires OPM Signature

RETURN TO: Andrew Derugin or call 541-374-4020 if there are questions

MFR: Please send a copy of the scanned, signed letter to Andrew.g.derugin@usace.army.mil and copy Erin.H.Kovalchuk@usace.army.mil.

REMARKS:	Name of author	CENWP-OD-B
	Non-concur/Concur Concur 8/9/17	Project Fisheries CENWP-OD-B Derugin, Andrew
	Non-Concur/Concur Concur JR 8/15/17	NWP Fish Passage PM-E Rerecich, Jon
	Non-concur/Concur Concur TMM 8/14/17	NWP Fish Section CENWP-OD-TF Kovalchuk, Erin
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