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Subject: Columbia River White Sturgeon Program Employee Access

Dear Mr. Twiner,

The intent of this letter is to request access to The Dalles Dam to carry out opportunistic sampling of White Sturgeon encountered during routine and ad hoc maintenance outages. I will be the primary contact and project lead for this effort though it may include staff from Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, the Columbia River Inter-tribal Fish Commission and the Northwest Power and Conservation Council.

I am requesting access to The Dalles Dam deck for myself, Phil Simpson, Matthew Sturza, Colin Chapman, Kevin Rybacki, Mike Lovejoy, Brad Cady, Shaffryn Schade, and Laurie Lloyd from December 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021. Our samplers will coordinate closely with Jeff Randall (Research Coordinator -USA.CE) in order to collect basic morphometric data and to PIT-tag any sturgeon found during de-watering.

I will provide all necessary pre-project documentation required of researchers working at The Dalles Dam as specified by yourself or Jeff Randall. Should staffing change during the course of the year, I will provide you with all necessary contact information so that security clearance and access badges can be issued. We will adhere to current Covid-19 safety standards.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me directly (Cell: 360-719-0677; Laura.Heironimus@dfw.wa.gov), Thank you for considering our request for project access.

Sincerely,

Laura Heironimus (Electronic Signature)
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