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U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PORTLAND DISTRICT  
JOHN DAY/WILLOW CREEK PROJECT  
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May 12, 2020

Ralph Lampman  
Lamprey Research Biologist  
Yakama Nation  
PO Box 151, Fort Road  
Toppenish, WA 98948

Dear Mr. Lampman:

This letter is in response to your 11 May, 2020 letter requesting access to the John Day Project, for the purpose of collecting adult Pacific lamprey for translocation and research.

With respect to the work outlined above, your request is generally approved, provided you are able to obtain all necessary ESA and state permits.

**No work may begin until valid and current permits, or an explanation as to why permits are not required are on file with Michael Lotspeich and Erin Kovalchuk.**

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, access to the John Day Lock and Dam may be limited. Additionally, there might be a delay in responding to your requests. Please contact Michael Lotspeich at least twenty four hours prior to your arrival at 541-506-7861. You will need to provide a project impact statement, job hazard analysis, copies of permits, and a personnel list. Please send electronic copies of the documents to Michael Lotspeich, [Michael.D.Lotspeich@usace.army.mil](mailto:Michael.D.Lotspeich@usace.army.mil) and Erin Kovalchuk, [Erin.H.Kovalchuk@usace.army.mil](mailto:Erin.H.Kovalchuk@usace.army.mil).

Please remain in contact with Michael Lotspeich throughout your time at the dam. There are many researchers and contractors working in the area, please work to ensure good communication and cooperation between agencies and organizations.

A copy of this letter has been posted to NWP 2020 Access Responses found at: <http://pweb.crohms.org/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/NWP%20Research/2020%20NWP%20Access/>

If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Michael Lotspeich via e-mail or by office phone, at 514-506-7861.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Twiner".

Ron D. Twiner  
Operations Project Manager

CENWP STAFFING SHEET

RTAO: Michael Lotspeich, CENWP-OD-J

DATE: 13 May 2020

SUBJECT: Approval letter for CRITFC to access the John Day Project in order to collect tissue samples for genetic analysis.

DESIRED ACTION: Requires OPM Signature

RETURN TO: [Michael.D.Lotspeich@usace.army.mil](mailto:Michael.D.Lotspeich@usace.army.mil)

MFR: Please send a copy of the scanned, signed letter to [Erin.H.Kovalchuk@usace.army.mil](mailto:Erin.H.Kovalchuk@usace.army.mil)

REMARKS:	Name of author	CENWP-OD-J
	Non-concur/concur	Project Fisheries CENWP-OD-J
	<b>Concur</b>	<i>Grosvenor, Eric</i>
	Non-Concur/Concur	NWP Fish Passage PM-E
	<b>Concur</b>	<i>Rerecich, Jon</i>
	Non-Concur/Concur	NWP FFU { <i>lamprey/pinnipeds</i> } CENWP-OD-TF
	<b>Concur</b>	<i>Wertheimer, Robert</i>
	Non-concur/concur	NWP Fish Section CENWP-OD-TF
	<b>Concur</b>	<i>Kovalchuk, Erin</i>
	Non-Concur/Concur	Operations Project Manager CENWP-OD-J
	<b>Concur</b>	Twiner, Ron
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