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BONNEVILLE LOCK AND DAM PROJECT  
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April 15, 2021

Eric Winther  
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Columbia River Predator Program  
5525 South 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ridgefield, WA 98642

Dear Mr. Winther:

This is in response to your March 2021 letter requesting approval for access to Bonneville Lock and Dam to conduct hook and line removals of predatory pikeminnow and sample other non-salmonids for Gas Bubble Trauma (GBT). The GBT sampling is occurring in conjunction with Northern Pike Minnow Angling activities as part of the ongoing Columbia River Predator Control Program funded by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). The COTR for this work is Eric McOmie at BPA (contract #DE-B179-90BP07084).

Please note that access is granted on the tailrace side of Bonneville only and subject to restrictions set by Bonneville Fisheries Branch or the Bonneville Safety Officer at any time. The work will continue through June 30, 2021, or until project objectives are met.

With respect to the objectives outlined above, your request is approved. Prior to beginning work, please arrange a meeting with Mr. Andrew Derugin, 503-278-2376. No work may begin until copies of all required permits are on file with Mr. Andrew Derugin, [Andrew.g.Derugin@usace.army.mil](mailto:Andrew.g.Derugin@usace.army.mil) and Mr. Nathan McClain, [Nathan.A.McClain@usace.army.mil](mailto:Nathan.A.McClain@usace.army.mil).

Please remain in contact with Mr. Derugin throughout your time at the dam. There are many researchers and contractors working at the facility. Please aim to ensure good communication and cooperation between all agencies and organizations on-site.

A copy of this letter has been provided on <http://pweb.crohms.org/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/NWP%20Research/Research.html>. If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Mr. Hausmann or Mr. Derugin via e-mail or by phone.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Adams, P.E.  
Operations Project Manager

CENWP STAFFING SHEET

Office Symbol: CENWP-ODB

DATE 13 April 2021

SUBJECT: Approval letter for Eric Winther (WDFW)

DESIRED ACTION: Requires OPM Signature

RETURN TO: Please send a copy of the scanned, signed letter to Erin.H.Kovalchuk@usace.army.mil and copy Andrew.G.Derugin@usace.army.mil. Call Mr. Derugin (541-374-7984) if there are questions.

- DETAILED SUMMARY:
1. Purpose: To allow researchers access to Bonneville Project.
  2. History: Reviewed by Bonneville Fisheries and the Bonneville Safety Officer.
  3. Reason: To permit research at Bonneville Project.

REMARKS:

	Initial/Date	Name/Office Symbol
Non-Concur/Concur Concur	Concur AGD 4/13/21	Derugin, Andrew CENWP-ODB
Non-Concur/Concur Concur	Concur JR 4/13/21	Rerecich, Jon CENWP-PM-E
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