## OFFICIAL COORDINATION REQUEST FOR NON-ROUTINE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

COORDINATION TITLE- 17 LMN 12 - Unit Priority after Return of Unit 2 COORDINATION DATE- 26 September 2017 PROJECT- Lower Monumental Dam RESPONSE DATE- October 10, 2017

### **Description of the problem**

At Lower Monumental, Unit 1 continues to be out of service for restoration as a Kaplan Unit and is not expected to return to service before spring of 2018. Unit 5 was forced out of service in January of 2017 and remains out of service. Unit 2 and 3 were forced out of service in August and September of this year, and have only recently returned to service. Both Units 2 and 3 have had the blades hydraulically blocked, leaving Units 4 and 6 as fully functioning Kaplan Units. Unit 3 was recently brought back online with the blades hydraulically fixed at the upper end of the 1% peak efficiency (~136 MW). Unit 2 went through a similar process but the blades were blocked at the lower end of 1% peak efficiency (~86 MW). According to the FPP, Unit 2 becomes the priority adult attraction unit when it returns to service. With Unit 2 running as the first priority unit, Unit 3 would be second according to the current plan. However, decreasing the amount of times Unit 3 is started and stopped is necessary to protect the temporary repair. Also, using a working Kaplan for the second priority unit would provide greater flexibility when it comes to matching required project output. The project is temporarily proposing the following unit priority until the end of adult passage season, 2017:

Unit 2, Unit 4, Unit 6, Unit 3\*

\*Last on, second to last off – If it is necessary to bring Unit 3 online, it would be beneficial to leave it on until flows drop low enough that only Unit 2 is needed.

Season	Duration	Unit Priority
Sept 26 – Nov 30	Start Units	2, 4, then 6, then 3 <sup>a</sup>
Fish Passage Season	Stop Units <sup>b</sup>	4-6 any order, then 3, 2 <sup>b</sup>
December 1 – end of February	Stop/Start Units	Any Order

**a.** Unit 3 has fixed Kaplan blades (non-adjustable) and operates in the upper 1% range. The priority order minimizes Unit 3 starts/stops and allows for the longest runtime once Unit 3 is started.

**b.** Stop units in reverse Start order, except run Unit 3 as long as BPA load request and required spill can be met.

### Type of outage required

#### Impact on facility operation/ Impact on unit priority

Unit priority will be slightly different, shifting Unit 3 from second in priority to last on, last off. However, higher priority, Unit 2 is returning to service to aid adult passage.

## Impact on forebay/tailwater operation

N/A

**Impact on spill** 

N/A

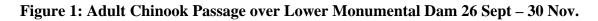
# **Dates of impacts/repairs**

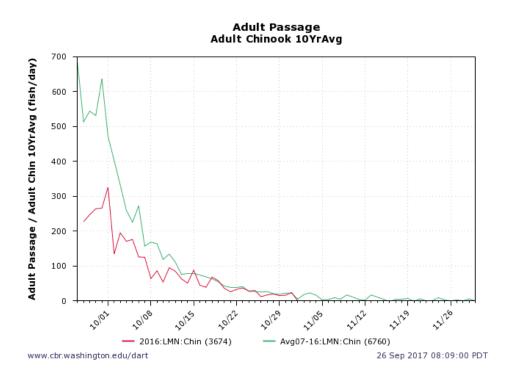
Impacts would last from 26 September until the end of Fish Passage season on 30 November, 2017

# Analysis of potential impacts to fish

Juvenile outmigration numbers are historically very low during this time period.

The 10 year average for adult fall Chinook passing Lower Monumental Dam from 26 September to 30 November is 6,760 (Figure 1). Fall Chinook numbers are expected to be lower than the 10 year average for 2017.





The 10 year average for adult steelhead passing Lower Monumental Dam from 26 September to 30 November is 79,290 (Figure 2). Steelhead numbers are expected to be much lower than the 10 year average for 2017.

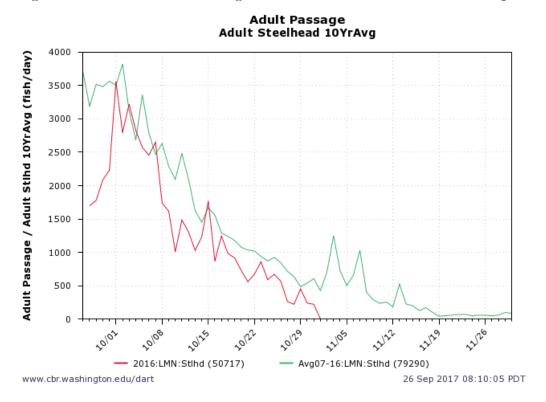


Figure 2: Adult Steelhead Passage over Lower Monumental Dam 26 Sept – 30 Nov.

The 10 year average for adult Coho passing Lower Monumental Dam from 26 September to 30 November is 3,318 (Figure 3).

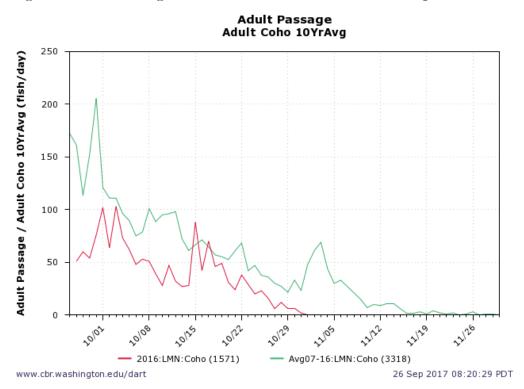


Figure 3: Coho Passage over Lower Monumental Dam 26 Sept – 30 Nov.

#### Summary statement - expected impacts on:

#### **Downstream migrants**

This change is expected to have very little impact on juvenile salmonids, as fish numbers are very low and the turbines will remain operating within 1% peak efficiency.

#### **Upstream migrants (including Bull Trout)**

This change will potentially benefit the adult fall Chinook and steelhead currently passing the project by moving the constant attraction flow closer to the north fish ladder entrance.

### **Comments from agencies**

#### **Final coordination results**

From: Tom Lorz To: Setter, Ann L CIV USARMY CENWW (US) Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: 17 LMN 12 unit priority coordination (UNCLASSIFIED) Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 4:22:25 PM I am fine with the shift for the rest of September and through the rest of adult passage season for 2017. We might want to discuss unit 2 and 3 ops for 2018 at the next FPOM given that a few of us reviewed the project ops last week at ERDC. Thanks Tom

From: Trevor Conder - NOAA Federal
To: Setter, Ann L CIV USARMY CENWW (US)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: 17 LMN 12 unit priority coordination (UNCLASSIFIED)
Date: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 11:42:58 AM
Ann,
How long would it take and what are the considerations for making an in season change to the blade angle of units
two or three should a change be needed? For example, if unit 2 developed a leakage problem and had to be shutdown, would it be possible to change unit 3 to the lower end of 1% for adult attraction and to maintain

spill during flows around 50K?

-Trevor

From: Erick VanDyke

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: 17 LMN 12 unit priority coordination (UNCLASSIFIED) Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 2:38:44 PM Not facing the pagesity to support degrading Unit 2 priority September to December of

Not feeling the necessity to support degrading Unit 2 priority September to December, especially given unit 2's adult passage connection. Perhaps more discussion could help.

Does the table intend to have both Sep-Dec and the fish passage season use the priority described for the row?. In addition should "and" or "&" be added to the first season description?

When is unit 2 schedule to return to service?

When will unit 1 be back? It may be more influential for adult passage and attraction at Lower Monumental dam?

Does Lower Monumental Hydraulic locking procedure differ from other projects that used this technique? Erick S. Van Dyke

Oregon Dept of Fish & Wildlife Fish Passage/Mitigation Technical Analyst

# After Action update

MOC Approved

Please email or call with questions or concerns. Thank you, Chuck

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