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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: McNary Emergency Full Opening of Bay 7.

**Narrative:** Part of the forebay debris alongside the spillway was reported on fire on June 17 at 1458 hours. The local fire department tried to extinguish the fire, but the wind prevented the water stream from contacting the flames. The next best alternate was to spill the fire and allow the spill flow to extinguish it. The cause of the fire remains unknown. Approximately half of the debris along the spillway was passed downriver.

Location: McNary spillway.

**Method**: Bay 7 was at 2 stops per current flow volume. Since the fire was just upstream of this bay, the bay was full opened from 1532 to 1632 hours, allowing the fire to be spilled and extinguished. Bay 7 was returned to 2 stops.

**Timeline - Duration**: Bay 7 was opened to a setting outside the spill pattern for approximately one hour.

A. Species: NA

B. Origin: NA

C. Length: NA

D. Marks and Tags: NA

E. Marks and Injuries Found on the Carcasses: NA

**F. Future and Preventative Measures:** Try to determine the cause of the fire. Spill the remaining debris in the very near future.

G. Photos Taken: No

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