CENWP-OD-B 25 January 2016

MEMORANDUM FOR Biologist, Operations Division (CENWP-OD)

SUBJECT: Bonneville Project, Fishway and Fish Activities for <u>Week 05</u> of 2016, which covers the period from 24-30 January 2016.

## 1. OPERATION SUMMARY:

- a. Daily average river flows ranged from 151.6 to 181.8 kcfs. Daily average powerhouse forebay elevation ranged from 73.3' to 74.7' msl. Daily average project tailwater ranged from 15.2' to 16.9' msl. Secchi disk measurements ranged from 6.0' to 7.0'. Daily average water temperature ranged from 40° to 42° F.
- b. Spill bay 1 is open 0.5' during daytime hours to provide attraction flow to the Cascades Island fish ladder. Daily average spill was 0.5 kcfs.
  - (1) Spill bay 18 was closed at 1830 on 04 December for the Bradford Island (B-Branch) winter maintenance dewatering.
- c. Unit Operation. Powerhouse two remains the priority powerhouse. Main unit draw downs are measured every Monday and more frequently as needed.
  - (1) Table 1. Unit Outages.

| Unit | OOS Date       | RTS Date | Reason                           |
|------|----------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 9    | 1053 on 17 Nov |          | 5 year overhaul, bank 9/10 maint |
| 10   | 1015 on 16 Nov |          | Annual maintenance and air gap   |
| F2   | 0001 on 15 Dec |          | 2 year overhaul                  |

- d. Fish Units. Second Powerhouse fish units provide attraction flow for the Washington Shore (WS) fish ladder.
  - (1) F2 was taken out of service for a 2 year overhaul at 0001on 15 Dec. At 0707 Powerhouse 2 went to single fish unit ops, and the NUE gate was closed.
  - (2) The fish units were placed on standby to float trash, or to allow trash to be raked on units 17 and 18 without causing debris to be pulled to the fish units, during the following times:

F1: - F2: N/A

(3) Table 2. Fish unit drawdowns, in feet.

| Doto  | F1   | Γĵ |  |
|-------|------|----|--|
| Date  | FI   | F2 |  |
| 01/24 | 0.5' |    |  |
| 01/25 | 0.7' |    |  |
| 01/26 | 0.9' |    |  |
| 01/27 | 0.2' |    |  |
| 01/28 | 0.5' |    |  |
| 01/29 | 0.5' | -  |  |
| 01/30 | 0.3' |    |  |

## 2. ACTIVITIES:

- a. <u>Auxiliary Water System Closures</u> None.
- b. <u>STS/VBS inspections</u> All STS/VBS are removed.
- c. <u>Dewatering and Fish Salvages</u> None.
- d. Project biologists conducted ROV inspections of fishway structures at both powerhouses on 27 and 28 January.

## 3. RESEARCH:

- a. Normandeau Fish Counting
  Visual counting ended and video counting began on 01 December.
- b. USFWS biologists conducted a Lamprey survey in the Powerhouse 1 forebay on 27 January.

## 4. FISHWAYS:

- a. Project biologists inspected 25,26,28 January.
- b. Fish passage plan observations.
  - (1) Table 3. FPP out of criteria items.

| Date                         | Location | FF        | PP Items        |    | Cause   | Response |  |  |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|----|---------|----------|--|--|
| BRADFORD ISLAND – Dewatered. |          |           |                 |    |         |          |  |  |
| CASCADES ISLAND              |          |           |                 |    |         |          |  |  |
| 1/25                         | UMT sta  | aff gauge | Water level <.9 | )' | unknown | none     |  |  |
| WASHINGTON SHORE             |          |           |                 |    |         |          |  |  |
| 1/25                         | We       | ir 37     | Water level <.9 | )' | unknown | none     |  |  |

- (2) WG-1, one of the south PH1CC entrances, experienced a gate failure on 17 November 2014. Divers recovered the gate's picking beam on 04 August 2015. Repairs are ongoing. The gate is estimated to return to service during the 2015/16 winter maint.
- (3) A-branch diffuser FG3-3 is mechanically bound. Repairs are not possible until A-branch is dewatered below tailwater during the 2015/16 winter maintenance period.
- (4) B-branch gate 4N, adjacent to the fish entrance, had a bad motor. It was removed on 27 July and has been repaired. It's waiting reinstallation during the 2015/16 winter maintenance. 4N is closed and 4S is open in its place. Both gates should be open below tailwaters of 9.0 msl.
- (5) PH2CC diffuser A2 was unable to be repaired during winter maintenance 2014/15 and remains closed. It should be open when tailwater is above 13.0 msl. The gate for diffuser B5 was removed for repairs and therefore cannot be closed. It should be closed below tailwaters of 12.0 msl.
- c. <u>Fishway Temperatures</u>. Temperatures are taken from 01 March through 30 November. Forebay temperatures can be found <u>online</u>.
- d. <u>Zebra Mussel Monitoring</u>. No signs of colonization were observed this reporting week.
  - e. Avian Monitoring. Bird counts are made between 01 April and 31 October.
  - f. Adult Fishways.
    - (1) Fishway instrument calibration was checked on 21 January.
    - (2) 11 of 12 floating orifice gates (FOGs) are installed; one gate is out for maintenance. FOG Stab plates are installed. Powerhouse 2 adult fishway is currently configured for a single fish unit operation in accordance with Table BON 12 in the FPP.
    - (3) SLEDs were installed in the PH2 entrances on 26 October 2015.

The PH1 SLEDs are removed.

- g. <u>Juvenile Fishways.</u>
  - (1) The ITS remains open.
  - (2) The hydro-cannon remains off.
  - (3) The B2CC was opened 0850-0911 on 27 January for maintenance.
  - (4) The DSM remains in service.
- h. Lamprey Fishways.
  - (1) All LPSs remain out of service.
- **5. CONSTRUCTION:** Nothing to report.
- **6. HAZMAT, SPILLS AND CLEANUP:** Nothing to report.
- 7. TELETYPES CURRENTLY IN EFFECT:
- a. A teletype sent on 30 March updates the spill caps and lack of load conditions to be used from 0000 on 01 April until further notice.
- b. A teletype sent on 06 January updated previous Chum tailwater operations. Effective immediately until further notice operate BON tailwater at a minimum of 12.5' for all hours. This operation is to protect Chum Redds below BON at the Ives/Pierce Island complex.
- c. A teletype sent on 29 January states that all 18 spillbays at Bonneville Dam will be out of service from 0600 to 1700 daily from 17 February through 25 February. These daily outages facilitate inspection of the gates.

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