CENWP-ODB 13 October 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR Biologist, Operations Division (CENWP-OD)

SUBJECT: Bonneville Project, Fishway and Fish Activities for <u>Week 41</u> of 2020, which covers the period from <u>04</u> <u>- 10 October.</u>

1. OPERATION SUMMARY:

- **a.** Daily average river flows ranged from 83.5 to 118.0 kcfs. Daily average powerhouse forebay elevation ranged from 75.4' to 75.8' msl. Daily average project tailwater ranged from 8.1' to 10.7' msl. Secchi disk measurements remained 7.0'. Daily average water temperature ranged from 64 to 65°F.
- b. Daily average spill ranged from 1.2 to 1.3 kcfs.
- **C.** Unit Operation. <u>PH2 remains the priority powerhouse.</u> Main unit drawdowns are measured every Monday and more frequently as needed.
- Table 1. Main Unit Outages. Nothing to report.
- **d.** Fish Units. Second Powerhouse fish units provide attraction flow for the Washington Shore (WS) fish ladder.

<u>Fish Unit Outages.</u> Fish Units are periodically placed into reserve service (RS) to float trash when debris differentials become excessive and trash raking is not possible.

- <u>Table 2. Fish Unit Outages.</u> Nothing to report.
- Table 3. Fish Unit Drawdowns, in Feet.

| Date | F1 | F2 |
|-------|------|------|
| 10/4 | 0.8' | 0.3' |
| 10/5 | 0.1' | 0.1' |
| 10/6 | 0.3 | 0.3' |
| 10/7 | 0.1' | 0.1' |
| 10/8 | 0.2 | 0.2' |
| 10/9 | 0.1' | 0.1' |
| 10/10 | 0.3 | 0.3' |

2. MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES:

- a. Auxiliary Water System Closures. Nothing to report.
- b. <u>STS/VBS Inspections</u>. Nothing to report.
- C. <u>Dewatering and Fish Salvages.</u> Nothing to report.

3. RESEARCH:

a. <u>Four Peaks Environmental - Fish counting contract</u>: Daytime visual counting (0500 to 2100) began on 01 April. Nightime video counting (2100-0500) began on 15 May. Fish counts can be viewed here.

- b. <u>PSMFC Smolt Monitoring</u>: Debris at the PDS and fish/debris separator ranged from light to light-moderate consisting mostly of aquatic macrophytes, sticks and dead adult American Shad. GBT sampling concluded for the season as of 31 August. Truck releases of summer/fall out-migrants originating from the Snake River dams began 03 August and occur every other day. Two steelhead and six salmon fallbacks were observed this week. No fish collections for research purposes were conducted this week. More details can be found on the **FPC web page**.
- C. <u>USDA Pinniped hazing</u>: Hazing started 17 August.
- d. <u>CRITFC Adult Salmonid Sampling</u>: Adult Salmonid sampling in the AFF began on 25 May and typically occurs 5 days per week.
- **e.** <u>ODFW Steelhead Sampling</u>: Steelhead sampling in the AFF began on 13 July and occurs in conjunction with CRITFC Adult Salmonid Sampling.

4. FISHWAYS:

- **a.** Project biologists inspected 04 September 10 October.
- b. Fish passage plan observations.

• Table 5. FPP Items Out of Criteria.

| Date | Location | FPP Violation | Cause | Response | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|----------|--|--|
| Bradford Island | | | | | | |
| 10/4-10 | B-Branch | FG 3-26,27 open | Mechanically Bound | NA | | |
| 10/4-6,8-10 | PH1CC | Ent. Diff. < 1.0' | Unknown | NA | | |
| 10/4-8 | A-Branch | Weir Diff > 1.1' | Unknown | NA | | |
| Cascades Island – Nothing to report. | | | | | | |
| 10/4-10 | Entrance | Ent. Diff. < 1.0' | Unknown | NA | | |
| Washington Shore – Nothing to report. | | | | | | |

- FG6-11 (Cascades Island) is broken in the partially open position. The diffuser shaft broke away from the motor. Due to the subsidence issues at Cascades Island, repairs cannot occur until crane support is allowed in the vicinity. FG6-11 should be open at tailwaters ≥ 14.0'.
- FG6-12 (Cascades Island) is mechanically bound in the open position. The diffuser should only be open with tailwaters ranging from 11.0'-33.0'. Due to the subsidence issues at Cascades Island, repairs cannot occur until crane support is allowed in the vicinity.

C. Adult Fishways.

- (1) The AFF remains in service.
- (2) Sensor calibration occurred on 06 Oct.
- (3) SLEDs are installed at all locations.

d. Juvenile Fishways.

- (1) The ITS remains in service (auto-chain gates 3B, 6C, & 10B only).
- (2) The hydro-cannon remains in service.
- (3) The B2CC remains out of service.

- (4) The DSM remains in service.
- (5) STSs are installed.

e. Lamprey Fishways.

- (1) LPSs remain in service.
- (2) The Bradford Island Wetted Wall (BIWW) remains out of service.
- (3) The PH2 Lamprey Flume Structure (LFS) remains out of service.
- (4) The AFF lamprey trap remains out of service.
- (5) The CI Lamprey trap remains out of service.
- f. Avian Monitoring. Avian counts are recorded 01 April 31 October.

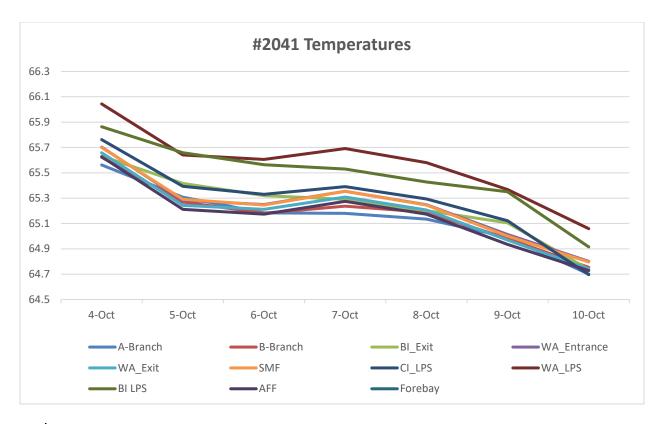
(1) Table 5. Avian Counts.

| Date | Gulls | Cormorants | Terns | Wh. Pelicans | Grebes | |
|-------|-------|------------|-------|--------------|--------|--|
| 10/4 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 10/5 | 19 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 10/6 | 7 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 10/7 | | | | | | |
| 10/8 | 15 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 10/9 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 10/10 | 9 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

5. WATER QUALITY MONITORING:

a. <u>Fishway Temperatures.</u> Temperatures are taken from 01 March - 30 November.

| Date | A-Branch | B-Branch | BI_Exit | WA_Entrance | WA_Exit | SMF | CI_LPS | WA_LPS | BI LPS | AFF | Forebay |
|--------|----------|----------|---------|-------------|---------|------|--------|--------|--------|------|---------|
| 4-Oct | 65.6 | 65.6 | 65.6 | 65.7 | 65.7 | 65.7 | 65.8 | 66.0 | 65.9 | 65.6 | |
| 5-Oct | 65.3 | 65.3 | 65.4 | 65.3 | 65.2 | 65.3 | 65.4 | 65.6 | 65.7 | 65.2 | |
| 6-Oct | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.3 | 65.3 | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.3 | 65.6 | 65.6 | 65.2 | |
| 7-Oct | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.3 | 65.4 | 65.3 | 65.4 | 65.4 | 65.7 | 65.5 | 65.3 | |
| 8-Oct | 65.1 | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.2 | 65.3 | 65.6 | 65.4 | 65.2 | |
| 9-Oct | 65.0 | 65.0 | 65.1 | 65.0 | 65.0 | 65.0 | 65.1 | 65.4 | 65.4 | 64.9 | |
| 10-Oct | 64.7 | 64.8 | 64.7 | 64.8 | 64.7 | 64.8 | 64.7 | 65.1 | 64.9 | 64.7 | |



- b. Zebra Mussel Monitoring. No signs of colonization were observed this reporting week.
- **6.** CONSTRUCTION: Nothing to report.
- **7.** HAZMAT, SPILLS AND CLEANUP: Nothing to report.
- **8.** TELETYPES CURRENTLY IN EFFECT:
 - A teletype sent on 02 September states that effective immediately through 31 October, the Bonneville dam spillway will be tagged out and unavailable for spill intermittently throughout this period to support a USGS fish tissue sampling crew. See teletype for details
 - A teletype sent on 30 September requests that Bonneville pool operate within a 1.5' band, hard constraint, from 0600 on 05 October through 1800 on 07 October to facilitate treaty fishing.

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