MEMORANDUM FOR CENWP-OP, ATTN: Operations Biologist

SUBJECT: Bonneville Lock and Dam, Fishway and Fish Activities for <u>Week 24</u> of 2013, which covers the period from 09 June through 15 June 2013.

1 OPERATION SUMMARY

- 1.1 Daily average river flows ranged from 222.4 to 258.0 kcfs. Daily average project tailwater ranged from 18.3' to 20.1' msl. Daily average powerhouse forebay elevation ranged from 73.5' to 74.3' msl. Daily average water temperatures ranged from 61°F to 63°F. Secchi disk measurements ranged from 5.5' to 7.0'+.
- 1.2 Spill Bays 1 and 18 provide attraction flow for Cascades Island and B-branch, respectively. Daily average spill ranged from 96.3 to 99.8 kcfs. Summer spill operations congruent with FPP section 2.2.3 will take effect on 16 June.
- 1.3 Unit Operation. Powerhouse Two is the priority powerhouse.
 - **1.3.1** Unit 03 went out of service at 0100 on 28 May for a five-year overhaul. The unit returned to service at 1411 on 13 June.
 - 1.3.2 Unit 04 was out of service from 0004 on 10 June until 1412 on 13 June for Bank 3/4 maintenance.
 - **1.3.3** Unit 11 went out of service at 0900 on 09 September 2012 for high thrust bearing temperatures.
 - 1.3.4 Unit 16 went out of service at 0748 on 29 April for digital governor install #1 / air gap install.
- 1.4 Fish Units. Second Powerhouse fish units provide attraction flow for the Washington Shore (WS) fish ladder. The units may be placed on standby, as necessary, during nighttime hours to float debris.
- 1.5 Gatewell drawdowns are measured on Tuesdays and more frequently as needed.

2 ACTIVITIES

- 2.1 Auxiliary Water System Closures. No AWS closures occurred this reporting week.
- 2.2 STS/VBS inspections.
 - 2.2.1 Table 3. STS and VBS inspection.

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Unit	Date	Run Hours	Comments	
11	N/A	oos	Unit 11 remains out of service.	
12-18	N/A	N/A	Inspection scheduled for 08 July.	

- 2.3 Dewatering and Fish Salvage. The following fish recovery occurred this reporting week.
 - 2.3.1 On 12 June, Project Biologists recovered 15 juvenile salmonids from the Unit 3 headgates. All fish were returned to the tailrace in good condition.

3 RESEARCH

- 3.1 CRITFC. Annual Chinook, Coho, sockeye, and steelhead sampling in the AFF continues.
- 3.2 CTUIR Lamprey. Collection of 238 lamprey for translocation studies began on 06 June.
- 3.3 NOAA Lamprey. LPS count network installed. HD-PIT tagging is currently being conducted by University of Idaho for NOAA until NOAA staff can be on site.
- 3.4 Normandeau Fish Counting. Visual counting continues. Nighttime video counts commenced on 15 June.
- 3.5 PSMFC Smolt Monitoring Program. Juvenile fish condition and index monitoring continues. Separation by Code is currently active for separate NOAA studies by D. Marsh. This week 151 yearling Chinook and steelhead were examined; no gas bubble trauma was observed. Fallbacks recorded crossing the separator bars this week: 9 steelhead, 3 salmon, and 2 unknown salmonids. Fallback observations are available at the FPC website: http://www.fpc.org/adultsalmon/bonkeltcounts.htm.
- 3.6 <u>University of Idaho AFF.</u> USACE funded adult salmonid sampling continues.

- 3.7 <u>University of Idaho Lamprey</u>. HD-PIT and JSATs tagging continues from the AFF traps. Trap and haul activities continue at the WA Shore LFS/LPS.
- 3.8 USDA Avian Hazing. Land-based hazing continues.
- 3.9 <u>USFWS National Fish Health Survey.</u> Adult shad collection will begin in June. Juvenile shad collection is scheduled to begin in September.
- 3.10 Yakama Nation Lamprey. Collection of 238 lamprey for translocation studies is scheduled to begin in June.
- 3.11 <u>Yakama Nation Shad.</u> Collection of adult shad from the AFF for the white sturgeon broodstock program is scheduled to begin in June.

4 FISHWAYS

- **4.1** Project biologists inspected 09 through 15 June.
- 4.2 Fish Passage Plan Observations.
 - **4.2.1** Table 4. FPP Out of Criteria items.

Date Location		FPP Items	Cause	Response			
	BRADFORD ISLAND (BI)						
All Week	WG-64	Submergence <8.0'	Malfunctioning A-branch diffusers	N/A			
	CASCADES ISLAND (CI) – Nothing to report WASHINGTON SHORE (WS)						
6/11-15	DSM2	Channel elevation < 64.2'	N/A	None			
6/11	6/11 NDE Diff		Unknown	None			

- 4.2.2 A-branch diffuser FG3-3 is partially open and FG3-6 is closed. Repairs will occur when the Bradford Island ladder is dewatered. The next possible time period will be 2013/14 winter maintenance.
- **4.2.3** PH1CC diffuser FG2-19 is partially open. Repairs will occur when the PH1CC is dewatered. The next possible time period will be 2013/14 winter maintenance.
- **4.3** Fishway Temperatures. Temperatures are normally taken from 01 March through 30 November. New temperature probes have been ordered and will be installed upon delivery.
- 4.4 Zebra Mussel Monitoring. No signs of colonization were observed this reporting week.
- **4.5** Adult Fishways.
 - 4.5.1 Calibration was checked on 15 June.
 - **4.5.2** 10 of 12 floating orifice gates (FOGs) are installed. Two gates remain out for maintenance. Sea lion barriers are in place on all installed FOGs.
 - 4.5.3 All SLEDs were removed from fishway entrances by 13 June.
 - **4.5.4** All ladders remain in service.
 - **4.5.4.1** All ladders were switched to Shad Mode on 22 May, congruous with FPP 2.5.1.2.a
 - **4.5.4.2** On 01 June nighttime lamprey operations commenced at PH2 fishway entrances.
 - 4.5.5 The AFF remained in service until 15 June. Due to the high number of mortalities observed this season, Project Biologists in consultation with NOAA Fisheries decided to discontinue lab operations until further investigations could be conducted to discover the cause of these mortalities.

4.6 Juvenile Fishways.

- **4.6.1** Manual chaingates 1A and 1B remain open and are both set to 70' msl. Automated chaingates 3B, 6C and 10B are open and functioning in auto.
- **4.6.2** DSM2 remains in service.
- **4.6.3** The hydrocannon remains in service.
- **4.6.4** The B2CC remains open.
- **4.6.5** All avian arrays are installed.
- 4.7 Lamprey Fishways.
 - **4.7.1** The Bradford Island LPS was watered up on 17 April.
 - **4.7.2** The WA shore AWS LPS was watered up on 06 May.
 - **4.7.3** The new WA shore LPS/LFS was watered up on 4 June.

4.7.4 Cascades Island LPS remains out of service until connection to forebay is complete.

5 CONSTRUCTION

- 5.1 <u>Cascades Island LPS Continuation.</u> This expansion will remove the evaluation trap box and continue the LPS flume to a volitional exit near the CI fishway exit.
- 5.2 <u>WA Shore LPS/LFS Installation.</u> Flume construction is complete. Pumps were installed on 30 May and punch list items are being addressed.
- 5.3 HAZMAT, SPILLS AND CLEANUP Nothing to report.

6 TELETYPES CURRENTLY IN EFFECT

- **6.1** A teletype sent on 09 April provides the 2013 spill schedule for fish passage, effective from 0001 on April 10 through 2400 on August 31. Operations for the B2CC and turbine units, as well as lamprey operations, are also provided for this period.
- **6.2** A teletype sent on 10 June updates the spill priority list and spill caps for fish passage season starting 15 May until further notice based on observed TDG data.
- 6.3 A teletype sent on 31 May updates a previous teletype that states effective immediately and until further notice, for the purposes of flood control operate Grand Coulee and the Columbia River system to meet Corps of Engineers flood risk requirements. Operating criteria for upriver dams are provided. Additional coordination and guidance is possible in the future if deemed necessary.
- 6.4 A teletype sent on 12 June requests that the BON pool operate within a 1.5' band, hard constraint from 0600 on 17 June until 1800 on 21 June, and from 0600 on 24 June until 1800 on 27 June for treaty fishing operations to reduce rapid water level drops that create issues for fishermen.

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