U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
WALLA WALLA DISTRICT
FISH FACILITIES WEEKLY REPORT
#38-2017

Project: McNary
Biologist: Bobby Johnson and Denise Griffith
Dates: November 10 – 16, 2017

Turbine Operation

General Comments: The soft 1% peak efficiency constraint continues.

Yes	No	Turbine Unit Status
☐	☒	All 14 turbine units available for service throughout the week (see Table 1 for outage details below).

Table 1. Unit Outages at McNary Project.

Units	Outage Dates	Outage Length	Reason
3	Oct 10 to Dec 8	60 days	9-year overhaul.
1 & 2	Nov 14	58 minutes total	Extended-length submersible bar screens (ESBSs) camera inspections.

Adult Fish Passage Facilities

General Comments: McNary fisheries biologists performed measured inspections of the adult fishways on November 11, 12 and 15. Video review of adult passage will continue to February 28, 2018.

Fish Ladder Exits: Criteria met?

Yes	No	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	Oregon Exit (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0’ to 1.3’)
☒	☐	Oregon Count Station Differential (Criteria – Differential 0.0’ to 0.5’)
☒	☐	Washington Exit (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0’ to 1.3’)
☒	☐	Washington Count Station Differential (Criteria – Differential 0.0’ to 0.5’)

Comments: The trash racks and picketed leads were cleaned as needed, including Saturdays, at both exits.

Debris loads at the Washington exit and along the shoreline were minimal. On November 14, tilting weir 338 was in manual mode for 2.4 hours to insure the weir above water components could be safely painted. Due to the exit programming and a stable forebay elevation, the ladder remained in criteria. On November 15, the regulating weir tripped an alarm and was reset.

At the Oregon exit and along the shoreline, debris loads were minimal to moderate. Tilting weir 339 remains in manual mode. On November 11, 12 and 15, the regulating weir set point was adjusted. On November 15, the tilting weirs set point was adjusted.

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

Yes	No	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	North Oregon Entrance Head Differential (Criteria – 1.0' to 2.0')
☒	☐	NFEW2 Weir Depth (Criteria – ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐	NFEW3 Weir Depth (Criteria – ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐	South Oregon Entrance Head Differential (Criteria – 1.0' to 2.0')
☒	☐	SFEW1 Weir Depth (Criteria – ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐	SFEW2 Weir Depth (Criteria – ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐	Oregon Collection Channel Velocities (Criteria –1.5 to 4.0 fps): Averaged 1.7 fps.
☒	☐	Washington Entrance Head Differential (Criteria – 1.0' to 2.0')
☒	☐	WFE2 Weir Depth (Criteria – ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐	WFE3 Weir Depth (Criteria – ≥ 8.0')

Comments: There are no problems to report.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

Yes	No	In Service?
☒	☐	Washington shore Wasco County PUD Turbine Unit.
☐	☒	Washington shore Wasco PUD Bypass. Service was not required.
☒	☐	Oregon Ladder Fish Pump 1: Blade angle was approximately 22 to 23 degrees.
☒	☐	Oregon Ladder Fish Pump 2: Blade angle was approximately 22 degrees.
☒	☐	Oregon Ladder Fish Pump 3: Blade angle was approximately 20 degrees.
☒	☐	Oregon North Powerhouse Pool supply from juvenile fishway.

Comments: There are no problems to report.

Juvenile Fish Passage Facility

General Comments: Fall primary bypass season continues. Light maintenance, preparations for the winter work list, cleaning and partial winterization continues at the facility and in the collection channel.

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Forebay debris load acceptable?
☒	☐	Trash rack differentials measured? If so, were differentials acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A.
☒	☐	Any debris seen in gatewells?
☐	☒	Any oil seen in gatewells?

Comments: Forebay debris loads near the powerhouse were light to heavy as variable winds moved the debris to and from the Oregon shore line. Debris loads at the spillway were minimal. New incoming debris loads were minimal. No trash racks were cleaned. Woody debris was removed from the gatewell slots as needed this week.

ESBSs/Vertical barrier screen (VBSs):

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	ESBSs deployed in all slots?
☒	☐	ESBSs inspected this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
☒	☐	VBSs differentials checked this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Comments: The brush cycles for the screens in slots 1A, 1B, 3B, 7B, 8C, 12B, units 11 and 14 remained in timer mode. This week, the ESBS brush on the screen in 1B slot resumed cycling more frequently than the brushes on the ESBSs in adjacent slots. On November 13, the brush was observed "short" cycling (the brush cycled but did not fully cover the length of the screen). We will continue to examine the problem. The brush cycle for the screen in 13A slot was in and out of timer mode most of last week. On November 12, the biologist decided to operate the brush cycle in automatic mode. No issues have occurred. On November 11, the brush cycle for the screen in 2A slot was switched to timer mode after repeated alarms were tripped and reset. On November 16, we observed the brush on the screen was cycling less frequently than the brushes on the ESBSs in adjacent slots. We will examine this issue next week. On November 15, the brush cycle for the screen in 2B slot was switched to timer mode after repeated alarms were tripped and reset. ESBS camera inspections occurred in units 1 and 2 on November 14. No problems were found.

VBS differential monitoring continued. No high differential measurements were observed. Two screens were cleaned on November 16. No mortalities were observed.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Bypass Pipe:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Orifices operating satisfactory? 42 orifices were open.
☒	☐	Dewatering and cleaning systems operating satisfactory?

Comments: Orifices were adjusted as required for VBS cleaning. Maintenance occurred on the orifice operators as needed. Moisture in the orifices air supply line was bleed off daily. We continued to operate the transition screen cleaning brush manually to insure it completes a full cleaning cycle.

Bypass Facility:

Yes	No	Item
☐	☒	Sample gates on? Fall bypass season continues.
☐	☒	Passive integrated transponder (PIT) tag system on? Fall bypass season continues.

Comments: During the fall primary bypass season, PIT tag detection occurs in the full flow pipe. Light maintenance, cleaning and partial winterization continues. Preparations for the winter work list continue.

River Conditions

General Comments: River conditions were provided by the control room and outlined in Table 2 below. The data period runs from 0000 to 2400 hours each day.

Table 2. River Conditions at McNary Dam.

Daily Average River Flow (kcfs)		Daily Average Spill (kcfs)		Water Temperature (°F)		Water Clarity (Secchi disk - feet)	
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
136.2	102.9	0.0	0.0	51.0	51.0	6.0	6.0

Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: The next cooling water strainer examinations will occur on December 5.

Invasive Species: The mussel station examinations on November 12 revealed no problems.

Avian Activity: Casual avian observations continue while doing other inspections. Overall, gull and cormorant numbers appear to be fluctuating with the juvenile shad outmigration. A large number of gulls (estimates continue at approximately 500 birds) were roosting on project inside and outside of the counting zones in multiple locations. Gulls and cormorants were feeding at the bypass outfall. Gulls were also feeding in the powerhouse flow. The birds in the spillway zone are roosting on the navigation lock wing wall and other structures. Occasionally, grebes were noted in the spill basin. In the forebay zone, an occasional gull, gull flock, cormorant, or grebe was observed. Gulls and cormorants were occasionally observed on the rocks by the Washington shore boat dock.
Fish Salvage/Rescue: None occurred.

Research

Item: No onsite research is occurring at this time.

Project: Ice Harbor
Biologist: Ken Fone
Dates: November 10 – November 16, 2017

Turbine Operation

Yes	No	Turbine Unit Status
☐	☒	All 6 turbine units available for service throughout the week (see comments below for outage details).
☐	☒	Available turbine units operated within 1% peak efficiency constraint. Constraint in effect: ☐ Hard ☒Soft.

Comments: Unit 2 was taken out of service on April 25, 2016, at 0606 hours for the runner replacement. On November 13 and 15, units 6, 5, 4, 3, and 1 were taken out of service one at a time for STS inspections. Unit 3 was noted to be operating a few megawatts below the 1% peak operating efficiency range on the November 14 fishway inspection. This was due to the GDACS program needing to be updated with the narrower operating efficiency range of unit 3 since it became a fixed-blade unit.

Adult Fish Passage Facilities

Fish facility personnel inspected the adult fishways on November 14, 15, and 16.

Fish Ladders:

Yes	No	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	North Fish Ladder Exit Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.5’)
☒	☐	North Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.3’)
☒	☐	North Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0’ to 1.3’)
☒	☐	South Fish Ladder Exit Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.5’)
☒	☐	South Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.3’)
☒	☐	South Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0’ to 1.3’)

Comments: The picketed leads are raised out of the water for the remainder of the season.

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

Yes	No	Sill	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SFE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☐	☒		South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0’ – 2.0’)
☒	☐		South Shore Channel Velocity (Criteria: 1.5 – 4.0 fps)
☒	☐	☐	North Powerhouse Entrance (NFE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐		North Powerhouse Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0’ – 2.0’)
☒	☐	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐		North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0’ – 2.0’)

Comments: The south shore channel/tailwater differential was out of criteria at 2.4’ on the November 15 inspection. This differential may have resulted from inaccurate staff gage readings taken during poor light conditions.

Auxiliary Water Supply (AWS) System:

Yes	No	In Service and Operating Satisfactory?
☒	☐	South Shore AWS Pumps. Six of the eight south shore AWS pumps were in service, with the exception noted below.
☒	☐	North Shore AWS Pumps. Two of the three north shore AWS pumps were in service, with the exception noted below.

Comments: Only three of the south shore AWS pump and one of the north shore AWS pumps were operating from approximately 0930 hours to 1000 hours on November 14 due to a tripped beaker.

Juvenile Fish Passage Facility

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Forebay debris load acceptable? An average of 63 square yards of debris was observed.
☒	☐	Trash rack differentials measured this week? If so, were differentials acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐N/A
☐	☒	Any debris seen in gatewells (i.e: over 10% coverage)? Surface coverage ranged from 0% to 10%.
☐	☒	Any oil seen in gatewells?

Comments: None.

STSs/VBSs:

Yes	No	Item
☐	☒	STSs deployed in all slots and in service?
☐	☒	STSs in continuous-run mode (If not, then STSs are in cycle-run mode)?
☒	☐	STSs inspected this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
☐	☒	VBSs differentials checked this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Comments: STSs are in cycle-run mode. Unit 2 STSs are not installed since the unit will not be returned to service this year. Unit 6, 5, 4, 3, and 1 STSs and unit 4 VBSs were inspected on November 13 and 15. There were no significant problems found.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Bypass Pipe:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Orifices operating satisfactory? How many are open and in service? Up to 20.
☒	☐	Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory?

Comments: A high-differential alarm across the primary dewaterer inclined screen occurred during the night shift on November 16, triggering the open orifices from 2A through 6C to automatically shut and the mechanical screen cleaner to cycle continuously. The powerhouse operator checked the water levels and re-opened some of the orifices. The automated systems for the orifices and screen cleaner were turned off to keep the orifices open and reduce the wear and tear on the screen cleaner. An electrician determined that the cause of the problem was a dirty water level sensor giving a false reading. The electrician cleaned the probe, and normal operations in the collection channel and primary dewaterer resumed later that day.

Juvenile Fish Facility: The fish facility is in bypass operation.

Fish Sampling: Sampling is done for the year.

Removable Spillway Weir (RSW): Voluntary spill for fish passage is done for the season.

River Conditions

River conditions during the week are outlined in Table 1 below.

Table 1. River conditions at Ice Harbor Dam.

Daily Average River Flow (kcfs)		Daily Average Spill (kcfs)		Water Temperature* (˚F)		Water Clarity (Secchi disk - feet)	
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
30.6	18.1	0	0	53	52	7.7	7.0

*Unit 1 scroll case temperature.

Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: Turbine cooling water strainer inspections for lamprey are no longer required from July to November. Unit 3 and 6 strainers were cleaned on November 14 and 15, because of juvenile shad plugging up the strainers. A total of approximately 2,700 dead juvenile shad were removed.

Invasive Species: No exotic species that are new to the area have been found.

Avian Activity: There were large numbers of piscivorous birds seen around the project, including gulls, pelicans, mergansers, cormorants, and grebes. Most of them were observed roosting on Eagle Island and/or foraging opportunistically downstream of the powerhouse and at the navigation lock discharge.

Research: No on-site research is occurring at this time.

Project: Lower Monumental
Biologists: Chuck Barnes and Raymond Addis
Dates: November 10 – November 16, 2017

Turbine Operation

Yes	No	Turbine Unit Status
☐	☒	All 6 turbine units available for service throughout the week (see comments below for outage details).
☒	☐	Available turbine units operated within 1% peak efficiency constraint.

Constraint in effect: ☐ Hard ☒Soft. Soft constraint began at 0000 hours on November 1.

Comments: Unit 1 was removed from service on December 10, 2014 for Unit Rehabilitation with an estimated return to service date of May 31, 2018. Unit 5 was removed from service on January 17, 2017 due to a turbine oil leak with an estimated return to service end of February 2018. Unit 3 was removed from service at 0845 on October 20 for a digital governor installation with an estimated return to service of December 7, 2017. Unit 4 was removed from service at 1530 hours on November 2, 2017 for an oil leak investigation and returned to service at 1450 on November 15, 2017. Unit 2 was removed from service from 0701 to 1525 on November 15 to tap the hub.

Adult Fish Passage Facility

The adult fishway was inspected by Corps biologists on November 13, 14 and 16.

Fish Ladders:

Yes	No	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	North Fish Ladder Exit Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.5’)
☒	☐	North Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.4’)
☒	☐	North Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0’ to 1.3’)
☒	☐	South Fish Ladder Exit Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.5’)
☒	☐	South Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.3’)
☒	☐	South Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0’ to 1.3’)

Comments: None.

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

Yes	No	Sill	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐		North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0’ – 2.0’)
☒	☐	☒	South Powerhouse Entrance (SPE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐	☒	South Powerhouse Entrance (SPE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐		South Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0’ – 2.0’)
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SSE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 6.0’ or on sill)
☒	☐		South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0’ – 2.0’)

Comments: South Powerhouse Entrance weirs (SPE-1 and SPE-2) were on sill during all inspections. While on sill readings for both were 6.9, 7.8 and 7.4 feet.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

Yes	No	In Service and Operating Satisfactory?
☐	☒	AWS Fish Pump 1.
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 2.
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 3.

Comments: Pump 1 will be out of service throughout this season unless an emergency occurs.

Juvenile Fish Passage Facility

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Forebay debris load acceptable? An average of 128 square yards of debris observed in forebay.
☒	☐	Trash rack differentials measured this week? If so, were differentials acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A.
☒	☐	Any debris seen in gatewells?
☐	☒	Any oil seen in gatewells?

Comments: Gatewell debris ranged from 0 to 40% during inspections.

STSs/VBSs:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	STSs deployed in all slots and in service?
☐	☒	STSs in continuous-run mode (Note: if not, then STSs are in cycle-run mode)?
☐	☒	STSs inspected this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
☐	☒	VBSs differentials checked this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Comments: STS's were operating on cycle mode due to CH0 lengths being over the 120 mm criteria point.
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Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Flume:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Orifices operating satisfactory? How many are open and in service? 18.
☒	☐	Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory?

Comments: None.

Collection Facility: Collection for transport ended at 0700 on October 1, at which time the facility was placed into primary bypass. The collection facility was dewatered on October 11.

Transport Summary: Transport season ended on October 1.

River Conditions

General Comments.

Table 1. River conditions at Lower Monumental Dam.

Daily Average River Flow (kcfs)		Daily Average Spill (kcfs)		Water Temperature (°F)*		Water Clarity (Secchi disk - feet)	
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
30.0	17.9	0	0	50.5	50.0	5.2	4.0

*Scrollcase temperatures.

Spill: The RSW spill was closed on August 18. Summer spill ended at 0000 on September 1.

Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: Cooling water strainers were inspected on August 16

Invasive Species: No zebra or quagga mussels were observed during monitoring station inspections on October 1.

Avian Activity: Gulls and cormorants were the predominant piscivorous bird species observed during fish ladder inspections this week. Avian Tailrace counts ended on July 13.
Outfall pipe bird water cannons were shut down and dewatered on October 12.

Research: No onsite research is in progress at this time.

Project: Little Goose
Biologists: Scott St. John & Richard Weis
Dates: November 10-16, 2017

Turbine Operation

Yes No Turbine Unit Status
☐ ☒ All 6 turbine units available for service throughout the week (see Table 1 for outage details).
☒ ☐ Available turbine units operated within 1% peak efficiency constraint. Constraint in effect: ☐ Hard ☒Soft.

Table 1. Little Goose Unit Outages

Unit	OOS Date	OOS Time	RTS Date	RTS Time	Outage Description
5	14-Apr	14:11	31-July	17:00	Upper Guide Bearing Repair (ERTS July 31, 2018)

Comments: For details regarding unit priority violation (FPP Table LGS-5), see memorandum of coordination 17LGS19 T1 maintenance.

Adult Fish Passage Facility

The adult fishway was inspected by Corps biologists and Anchor QEA staff on November 13, 14 and 16.

Fish Ladder:

Yes	No	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	Fish Ladder Exit Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.5')
☒	☐	Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.3')
☒	☐	Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3')
☐	☒	Emergency Ladder Exit Cooling Water Pumps in Service
☐	☒	Emergency Ladder Exit Cooling Water Pumps Operating Satisfactorily.

Comments: Emergency cooling pump permanent power is scheduled to be installed during the winter maintenance outage.

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

Yes	No	Sill	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SSE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0')
☒	☐		South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0' – 2.0')
☐	☐	☒	North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 7.0' or on sill)
☐	☐	☒	North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 7.0' or on sill)
☒	☐		North Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0' – 2.0')
☒	☐	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 6.0' or on sill)
☒	☐	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 6.0' or on sill)
☒	☐		North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0' – 2.0')
☒	☐		Collection Channel Surface Velocity (Criteria: 1.5 – 4.0 fps)

Comments: Rickly velocity measurement was conducted on October 23 and averaged 3.0 fps.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

Yes	No	In Service and Operating Satisfactory?
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 1 (operating).
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 2 (operating).
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 3 (operating).

Comments: None.

Juvenile Fish Passage Facility

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Forebay debris load acceptable.
☒	☐	Trash rack differentials measured this week? If so, were differentials acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A.
☐	☒	Any debris seen in gatewells (i.e: over 10% coverage)?
☐	☒	Any oil seen in gatewells?

Comments: There is an estimated 30 square feet of floating woody debris in the immediate forebay.

Spillway Weir: Temporary spillway weir was closed for the season on July 19 at 09:00.

ESBS/VBS:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	ESBSs deployed in all slots and in service?
☒	☐	ESBSs inspected this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
☒	☐	VBSs differentials checked this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Comments: Electrical test for ESBS screens were done on October 26, all functioned satisfactorily.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Flume:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Orifices operating satisfactory? How many are open and in service? 19 open.
☒	☐	Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory? N/A

Comment: Orifices and primary dewatering structure are being back flushed every 8 hours.

Collection Facility: Juvenile Fish Facility switched to primary bypass on November 1 at 07:00.

Transport Summary: Collection for transport ended on November 02 with the last truck leaving LGS.

River Conditions

River conditions during the week are outlined in Table 2 below.

Table 2. River conditions at Little Goose Dam.

Daily Average River Flow (kcfs)		Daily Average Spill (kcfs)		Water Temperature* (°F)		Water Clarity (Secchi disk - feet)	
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
29.8	16.0	0	0	50.6	50.1	5.6	4.7

*Ladder temperature.

Comment: Spill ended at midnight August 31.

Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: Cooling water strainers will be inspected again starting in December.

Invasive Species: No invasive species have been observed on the mussel station.

Avian Activity: USDA bird hazing ended on June 25 and USACE bird counts ended on October 31.

Gas Bubble Trauma: Final GBT sampling for the season was conducted on August 21.

Research: No research is currently being conducted at this time.

Siberian Prawn: Collection ended for the season on November 1.

Project: Lower Granite
Biologists: Elizabeth Holdren and Stephen Hampton
Dates: November 10 - November 16, 2017

Turbine Operation

Yes	No	Turbine Unit Status
☐	☒	All 6 turbine units available for service throughout the week (see comments below for outage details).
☒	☐	Available turbine units operated within 1% peak efficiency constraint. Constraint in effect: ☐ Hard ☒Soft.

Comments: Unit 1 remains out of service for blade/runner repair. Unit 2 currently has hydraulically locked blades that limit operation to the upper end of 1% peak efficiency constraint. Unit 3 is currently in operation as the priority unit. Unit 2 was removed from service at 0825 hours October 31 for annual maintenance. Unit 4 was removed from service between 0600-1153 hours November 16 for caisson movement.

Adult Fish Passage Facility

General comments: Adult fish facilities were inspected by Corps biologists November 13, 15, and 16.

Fish Ladder:

Yes	No	Location, Criteria, and Measurements
☒	☐	Fish Ladder Exit Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.5')
☒	☐	Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential (Criteria – Head ≤ 0.3')
☒	☐	Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs (Criteria – Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3')
☐	☒	Ladder Temperature Pumps in Service.
☒	☐	Ladder Temperature Pumps Operating Satisfactorily.

Comments:

Fish Ladder Entrances and Collection Channel:

Yes	No	Sill	Location, Criteria and Measurements
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0' or on sill)
☒	☐	☐	South Shore Entrance (SSE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0' or on sill)
☒	☐		South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0' – 2.0')
☒	☐	☒	North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0' or on sill)
☒	☐	☒	North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 8.0' or on sill)
☒	☐		North Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0' – 2.0')
☐	☒	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 7.0' or on sill)
☐	☒	☐	North Shore Entrance (NSE-2) Weir Depth (Criteria: ≥ 7.0' or on sill)
☒	☐		North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential (Criteria: 1.0' – 2.0')
☐	☒		Collection Channel Velocity (Criteria: 1.5 – 4.0 fps)

Comments:
NPE-1 was in sill criteria on all inspections with gate depth readings of 5.8 feet, 5.8 feet, and 6.0 feet. NPE-2 was in sill criteria on all inspections with gate depth readings of 5.8 feet, 5.8 feet, and 6.0 feet. NSE-1 depth over weir was out of criteria on November 16 with a gate depth reading of 6.7 feet. NSE-2 has been out of service since 2011 and remains set with a chain fall hoist in the closed position to improve channel/tailwater head differential. The fish ladder control system continues to be unable to consistently maintain both depth over the weir and channel/tailwater head differential at the north shore during spill at current tailwater elevation. NSE depth over the weir criteria is being sacrificed to achieve channel/tailwater head differentials.

Collection Channel Velocity: Collection channel velocities were out of criteria on all inspections with readings of 1.4, 1.2, and 1.3. These readings may be related to the inability to operate AWS fish pump 1 in fast mode at current tailwater levels.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

Yes	No	In Service and Operating Satisfactory?
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 1 (operating).
☐	☒	AWS Fish Pump 2 (operating).
☒	☐	AWS Fish Pump 3 (operating).

Comments: AWS pump 2 is in standby mode. AWS pump 1 tripped out of service from 0736-0840 hours November 13 due to the pumps inability to operate in fast mode at current tailwater levels. AWS pumps 1 and 3 are in operation with pump 1 in slow mode.

Juvenile Fish Passage Facility

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

Yes	No	Item
☒	☐	Forebay debris load acceptable? Debris was observed in the powerhouse forebay this week.
☒	☐	Trash rack differentials measured this week? If so, were differentials acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A.
☐	☒	Debris in gatewells (i.e.: over 10% coverage)?
☐	☒	Oil in gatewells?

Comments: Forebay debris in front of the powerhouse averaged about 5.7 square yards this week.

ESBSs/VBSs:

Yes	No	Item
☐	☒	ESBSs deployed in all slots and in service?
☐	☒	ESBSs inspected this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A
☒	☐	VBSs differentials checked this week? If so, were results acceptable? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Comments: ESBS are dogged off in gatewell slots.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, Bypass Pipe:

Yes	No	Item
☐	☒	Orifices operating satisfactory? There are 18 orifices operating.
☐	☒	Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory?

Comments: Dewatered.

Collection Facility: Dewatered.

Transport Summary: No transport is occurring.

River Conditions

General Comments.

Table 1: River conditions at Lower Granite Dam.

Daily Average River Flow (kcfs)		Daily Average Spill (kcfs)		Water Temperature (°F)*		Water Clarity (Secchi disk - feet)	
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
24.1	18.1	3.5	0.59	47.8	46.3	5.0	4.2

*****Collection channel temperature readings were taken due to unit 1 and 2 being unavailable.

Other

Adult Fish Trap Operations: The adult trap is in twenty-four hour operation seven days a week at a 20% sample rate. Fall Chinook collection for Lyons Ferry and Nez Perce hatcheries concluded October 17.

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: N/A

Invasive Species: No signs of mussels were present during the November 1 inspection.

Avian Activity: N/A

Spill: Spill is being managed based on river flow with unit 3 in operation. If river flows fall below the minimum required to operate both unit 3 and the RSW spill will shift to spillbay 2 open two stops (3.5 kcfs). When possible water will be pooled to provide spill for fish and minimum generation. The RSW was removed from operation at 0805 hours November 15 for BRZ cable mast installation. RSW operation resumed at 0600 hours November 16.

Gas Bubble Trauma (GBT) Monitoring: N/A.

Research: N/A.