

**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
WALLA WALLA DISTRICT  
FISH FACILITIES WEEKLY REPORT  
#33-2021**

**Project: McNary**

Biologist: Bobby Johnson and Denise Griffith

Dates: October 8-14, 2021

**Turbine Operation**

| Yes | No | Turbine Unit Status   |
|-----|----|---|
|     | X  | All 14 turbine units available for service? (See table & comments below for details.) |

\*All available turbine units are operated in accordance with App. C of the Fish Passage Plan.

Table 1. McNary Unit Outages (OOS) and Return to Service (RTS).

| Unit(s)  | OOS  |      | RTS    |      | Outage Description                 |
|----------|------|------|--------|------|------------------------------------|
|          | Date | Time | Date   | Time |                                    |
| 4        | 8/2  | 1018 | 10/ 28 | N/A  | Nine-year overhaul                 |
| 5, 6 & 8 | 10/4 | 0730 | 11/9   | N/A  | Lines 3 & 4 outages for BPA relays |
| 7        | 10/4 | 0730 | 12/2   | N/A  | BPA line outages & 9-yr overhaul   |

Comments: The one percent peak efficiency constraint and Unit priority are being followed per the 2021 Fish Passage Plan (FPP). RTS dates are subject to change.

**Adult Fish Passage Facilities**

The fisheries biologist performed a measured inspection of the adult fishways on October 10, 12, and 14. Fish counting continues.

Fish Ladder Exits:

| Yes | No | Location                              | Criteria                    | Measurements |
|-----|----|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
|     | X  | Oregon Exit                           | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' | 0.9' to 1.1' |
| X   |    | Oregon Count Station Differential     | 0.0' to 0.5'                | 0.2' to 0.3' |
| X   |    | Washington Exit                       | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' | 1.1' to 1.2' |
| X   |    | Washington Count Station Differential | 0.0' to 0.5'                | 0.2'         |

Comments: Debris loads near the exits were minimal. Picketed leads at both exits were cleaned as needed, including the weekend.

The out of criterion point at the Oregon exit occurred during low forebay elevations on October 14. There are no other problems to report.

A new alarm panel was installed at the Oregon exit control station last week.

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

| Yes | No | Sill | Location                                | Criteria       | Measurements     |
|-----|----|------|---|----------------|------------------|
| X   |    |      | North Oregon Entrance Head Differential | 1.0' – 2.0'    | 1.2' to 1.3'     |
| X   |    |      | NFEW2 Weir Depth                        | ≥ 8.0'         | 8.0' to 8.1'     |
|     | X  |      | NFEW3 Weir Depth                        | ≥ 8.0'         | 7.9' to 8.2'     |
| X   |    |      | South Oregon Entrance Head Differential | 1.0' – 2.0'    | 1.5'             |
|     | X  |      | SFEW1 Weir Depth                        | ≥ 8.0'         | 7.9' to 8.0'     |
|     | X  |      | SFEW2 Weir Depth                        | ≥ 8.0'         | 7.8' to 8.0'     |
| X   |    |      | Oregon Collection Channel Velocities    | 1.5 to 4.0 fps | Averaged 1.7 fps |
| X   |    |      | Washington Entrance Head Differential   | 1.0' – 2.0'    | 1.4' to 1.5'     |
| X   |    |      | WFE2 Weir Depth                         | ≥ 8.0'         | 9.7' to 9.9'     |
| X   |    |      | WFE3 Weir Depth                         | ≥ 8.0'         | 9.8' to 9.9'     |

Comments: NEFW3 was out of criterion on October 14. SFEW1 and SFEW2 were out of criteria on October 12 and 14. These out of criteria points could be due to sensor calibration drifts, set point adjustments, hydraulics and/or the general condition of the Oregon shore ladder system.

Fabrication of the six remaining FOG's is on hold until fish pump 3 repairs are completed.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

| Operating Satisfactory | Standby | Out of Service | Fish Pump Blade Angle | Auxiliary Water Supply System (AWS)                   |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------------------|---|
| Yes                    |         |                |                       | WA shore Wasco County PUD Turbine Unit                |
|                        | Yes     |                |                       | WA shore Wasco PUD Bypass                             |
| Yes                    |         |                | 25°                   | Oregon Ladder Fish Pump 1                             |
| Yes                    |         |                | 23°                   | Oregon Ladder Fish Pump 2                             |
|                        |         | Yes            |                       | Oregon Ladder Fish Pump 3, RTS date is October 29     |
| Yes                    |         |                |                       | OR North Powerhouse Pool supply from juvenile fishway |

Comments: Fish pump 3 remained out of service. The estimated return to service date is October 29. There are no other problems to report.

**Juvenile Fish Passage Facility**

Fall primary bypass season continues. Light maintenance and winterization have begun at the juvenile facility.

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

| Yes | No | NA | Item                                       | Comments          |
|-----|----|----|--|-------------------|
| X   |    |    | Forebay debris load acceptable? (amount)   | Light to moderate |
| X   |    |    | Gatewell drawdown measured this week?      | Daily             |
| X   |    |    | Gatewell drawdown acceptable?              |                   |
|     | X  |    | Any debris seen in gatewells? (% coverage) |                   |
|     | X  |    | Any oil seen in gatewells?                 |                   |

Comments: Current debris loads were light to moderate near the powerhouse and minimal beside the spillway. Incoming debris was minimal. Most of the debris appeared to be moving back and forth from the powerhouse to the Oregon shoreline.

No trash racks were cleaned this week.

There are no problems to report.

Extended-length submersible bar screen (ESBSs)/Vertical barrier screen (VBSs):

| Yes | No | NA | Item  |
|-----|----|----|---|
| X   |    |    | ESBSs deployed in all slots and in service? |
| X   |    |    | ESBSs inspected this week?                  |
| X   |    |    | ESBSs inspection results acceptable?        |
| X   |    |    | VBSs differentials checked this week?       |
| X   |    |    | VBSs differentials acceptable?              |

Comments: All screens are in place. Camera inspections in units 6 and 7 revealed no issues.

Daily VBS differential monitoring revealed no differentials out of criteria. A total of ten screens were cleaned on October 11 and 14. No fish mortalities were observed during cleaning.

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

| Yes | No | NA | Item  | Number of orifices in service |
|-----|----|----|---|-------------------------------|
|     | X  |    | Did orifices operate satisfactory?                      | 42                            |
|     | X  |    | Dewatering and cleaning systems operating satisfactory? |                               |

Comments: With low debris loads and a temporary air supply line, orifice cycling remains at once a day. Water in the air line continues to be an issue. This problem and the temporary air supply line from the north end of the powerhouse will continue to be monitored. Orifices were adjusted for VBS cleaning are required. A low water alarm came in due to improper orifice exchanges during VBs cleaning on October 14. Orifice operation protocols were reviewed with the fisheries staff.

A rectangular screen brush alarm came in on October 8 at 0915 hours. Soon after, a transition screen brush alarm came in. As has been the case previously this season, the rectangular brush “raise” limit failed and the brush did not park, which put both brushes out of sequence. After several attempts, the roving operator did get the rectangular brush parked at 0930 hours. However, the rectangular brush tripped another alarm at 1125 hours. A member of the electrical staff was called in and repositioned the limit. The brush was returned to service by 1450 hours.

The contractor who is reinforcing the intake deck crane’s east rail will continue to be monitored.

Bypass Facility:

| Yes | No | NA | Item                        |
|-----|----|----|-----------------------------|
|     |    | X  | Sample gates on?            |
|     |    | X  | PIT-tag sampling system on? |

Comments: All bypass facility systems are down for above water winter maintenance and partial winterization.

The debris blockages in the separator winterization drains were removed this week. The drains will be replaced next week. There are no other problems to report.

Top Spillway Weir (TSW) Operations:

A standard spill gate is in spill bay 19. The TSW, which is attached to a hoist in bay 20, became operational for the fall adult fallback season per the FPP on October 1 and openings are occurring per the schedule released by RCC.

## River Conditions

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 |
| 101.4                           | 69.2 | 1.6                        | 0.0 | 63.0                   | 61.0 | 6.0                                | 6.0 |

Comments: The above data is provided by the control room. The data day runs from 0000 to 0000 hours. The records spill was over the TSW.

Though crane 6 is in service, remote operation has yet to be restored. The load limit indicator continues to be an issue. Crane 7 is out of service and work on the main hoist gearbox continued. The crane's motor starter still needs to be replaced. A contract will be required. The current target date for replacement will be in mid-December. Also, the crane's load limit indicator continues to be an issue.

### Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: The next cooling water strainer inspections will occur on December 7.

Avian Activity: During fall primary bypass season, only casual avian observations are made.

In the spillway zone, gulls and cormorants were noted. The birds were mostly roosting around the basin in numbers that appeared to fluctuate with the out migration of juvenile shad. However, when the TSW was open, gulls feed heavily.

In the powerhouse zone, gulls were noted occasionally feeding or roosting. Again, numbers fluctuated.

In the bypass outfall zone, gulls and cormorants were noted in numbers that fluctuated. All the birds were roosting on the pipe and feeding at the outfall at times.

In the forebay zone, no birds were observed. Outside the zone, a few cormorants were observed along with one to three gull flocks that roosted along the shorelines or on the water.

Two large bird distress calls remain installed on the navigation lock wing wall but will be removed soon for the winter. No other hazing occurred. The lasers on the outfall pipe and navigation lock wing remained off and will also be removed. The use of the LRAD will resume next spring.

Invasive Species: The next mussel station examinations will occur in late October.

Siberian Prawn: There is nothing to report.

Fish Rescue/Salvage: There in nothing to report.

Research: There in nothing to report.

**Project: Ice Harbor**  
 Fisheries Biologist: Ken Fone

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**Turbine Operation**

| Yes | No | Turbine Unit Status   |
|-----|----|---|
|     | x  | All 6 turbine units available for service (see table & comments below for details). |

\*All available turbine units are operated in accordance with App. C of the Fish Passage Plan.

Ice Harbor Unit Outages (OOS) and Return to Service (RTS)

| Unit | OOS      |      | RTS      |      | Outage Description  |
|------|----------|------|----------|------|---|
|      | Date     | Time | Date     | Time |   |
| 3    | 5/3/19   | 0641 | ---      | ---  | Turbine runner replacement and stator rewind              |
| 2    | 10/14/21 | 1133 | 10/14/21 | 1510 | Water in turbine bearing sump – replaced leaky oil cooler |

Comments: None.

**Adult Fish Passage Facility**

Ice Harbor Fish Facility staff inspected the adult fishways on October 12, 13, and 14.

Fish Ladders:

| Yes | No | Location                                | Criteria                    | Measurements |
|-----|----|---|-----------------------------|--------------|
| x   |    | North Ladder Exit Differential          | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |              |
| x   |    | North Ladder Picketed Lead Differential | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |              |
| x   |    | North Ladder Depth over Weirs           | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' |              |
| x   |    | South Ladder Exit Differential          | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |              |
| x   |    | South Ladder Picketed Lead Differential | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |              |
| x   |    | South Ladder Depth over Weirs           | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' |              |

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

| Yes | No | Sill | Location   | Criteria               | Measurements     |
|-----|----|------|--|------------------------|------------------|
|     |    | x    | South Shore Entrance (SFE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |                  |
|     | x  |      | South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0' – 2.0'            | 2.9', 2.9', 2.6' |
| x   |    |      | South Shore Channel Velocity                             | 1.5 – 4.0 fps          |                  |
|     |    | x    | North Powerhouse Entrance (NFE-2) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |                  |
| x   |    |      | North Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential | 1.0' – 2.0'            |                  |
|     |    | x    | North Shore Entrance (NEW-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |                  |
|     | x  |      | North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0' – 2.0'            | 2.2'             |

Comments: The south shore entrance channel/tailwater differential was above criteria on all three fishway inspections. The north shore channel/tailwater differential was above criteria on October 12. The high head differentials were caused by the low tailwater elevations during the week. The auxiliary water supply pump speed is not adjustable to make small changes to the water supply to help meet head criteria at the entrances. A minimum of five south shore auxiliary water supply pumps needs to be operated to maintain the depth over the stationary weirs in the lower part of the fish ladder, so another pump cannot be shut off to lower the head differential at the south entrance.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

| Operating Satisfactory | Standby | Out of Service | Auxiliary Water Supply (AWS) System   |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| 5 pumps                | 3 pumps |                | Status of the 8 south shore AWS pumps |
| 2 pumps                | 1 pump  |                | Status of the 3 north shore AWS pumps |

Comments: None.

**Juvenile Fish Passage Facility**

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

| Yes | No | NA | Item                                      | Comments                  |
|-----|----|----|---|---------------------------|
| x   |    |    | Forebay debris load acceptable? (amount)  | Average of 2 square yards |
| x   |    |    | Gatewell drawdown measured this week?     |                           |
| x   |    |    | Gatewell drawdown acceptable              |                           |
| x   |    |    | Any debris seen in gatewells (% coverage) | 0-1%                      |
|     | x  |    | Any oil seen in gatewells?                |                           |

Comments: None.

Submersible Traveling Screens (STs) / Vertical Barrier Screens (VBSs):

| Yes | No | NA | Item   |
|-----|----|----|--|
| x   |    |    | STs deployed in all slots that are in service?                             |
|     | x  |    | STs in continuous-run mode (Note: if not, then STs are in cycle-run mode)? |
|     | x  |    | STs/VBSs inspected this week?  |
|     |    | x  | STs/VBS inspection results acceptable?                                     |
|     |    | x  | VBS differentials checked this week?                                       |
|     |    | x  | VBS differentials acceptable?  |

Comments: None.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Flume:

| Yes | No | NA | Item   | Number open and in service |
|-----|----|----|--|----------------------------|
| x   |    |    | Orifices operating satisfactory?                       | 20                         |
|     | x  |    | Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory? |                            |

Comments: Orifices are being backflushed once per day. There were no debris obstructions observed at the orifices, as indicated by reduced flow through the orifices. Orifice 3CN light was found to be burned out on October 13. Orifice 3CS was opened in place of orifice 3CN until the light was replaced on October 18.

The replacement actuator for the water regulating weirs in the collection channel is being operated in manual control. An analog controller input was added to the actuator and needs to be programmed to function automatically. Currently, the water level in the collection channel is being visually monitored once per day. The actuator is operated electronically in "local" control to manually adjust the weirs as needed.

The mechanical screen cleaner was taken out of service on October 4 due to the drive cable coming off the sheaves and the cable starting to fray. The drive pulley had also become deeply grooved from the friction of the cable against the pulley. The water regulating weirs had to be lowered during the week to maintain the proper level as debris accumulated on the inclined floor screen during the outage. The drive pulley was removed, and a new pulley

was machined and installed. The new pulley should reduce the binding of the drive cable and keep the cable on the sheaves. The screen cleaner was returned to service on October 13.

Juvenile Fish Facility: The Juvenile Fish Facility is operating in primary bypass mode.

Fish Sampling: Sampling at Ice Harbor Dam has concluded for the season.

Removable Spillway Weir (RSW): The RSW is periodically opened for downstream passage of adult steelhead that may have strayed into the Snake River. The RSW is scheduled to be operated from 0500 hours to 0900 hours on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from October 1 to November 15.

### River Conditions

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 |
| 18.4                            | 14.7 | 1.6                        | 0.0 | 63                      | 61  | 8.0                                | 5.5 |

\*Unit 1 scroll case temperature.

### Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: Inspection of turbine cooling water strainers for lamprey will resume in December.

Avian Activity: There were moderate numbers of gulls and pelicans that were resting or foraging at Eagle Island and along the south shore downstream of the dam. Pelicans were also observed foraging in the tailrace, midway between the powerhouse and Eagle Island.

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

Siberian Prawn: Siberian prawns collected in the sample at the Juvenile Fish Facility are humanely euthanized by the fish sampling contractor, frozen and properly disposed of in a landfill.

Fish Rescue/Salvage: Unwatering activities that involved fish rescue did not occur this week.

Research: No on-site research is currently going on.

**Project: Lower Monumental**

Biologists: Raymond Addis and Paul Bertschinger

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**Turbine Operation**

| Yes | No | Turbine Unit Status   |
|-----|----|---|
|     | X  | All 6 turbine units available for service (see table & comments below for details). |

\* All available turbine units are operated in accordance with App. C of the Fish Passage Plan.

Lower Monumental Unit Outages (OOS) and Return to Service (RTS)

| Unit   | OOS        |      | RTS        |      | Outage Description       |
|--------|------------|------|------------|------|--------------------------|
|        | Date       | Time | Date       | Time |                          |
| Unit 2 | 07/15/2019 | 0720 | 12/16/2021 | ERTS | Annual, Draft Tube Liner |

Comments: None

**Adult Fish Passage Facility**

The adult fishways were inspected by Corps and EAS biologists on October 12, 13 and 14.

Fish Ladder:

| Yes | No | Location                                | Criteria                    | Measurements |
|-----|----|---|-----------------------------|--------------|
| X   |    | North Ladder Exit Differential          | Head $\leq$ 0.5'            |              |
| X   |    | North Ladder Picketed Lead Differential | Head $\leq$ 0.4'            |              |
| X   |    | North Ladder Depth over Weirs           | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' |              |
| X   |    | South Ladder Exit Differential          | Head $\leq$ 0.5'            |              |
| X   |    | South Ladder Picketed Lead Differential | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |              |
| X   |    | South Ladder Depth over Weirs           | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' |              |

Comments: None.

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

| Yes | No | Sill | Location   | Criteria               | Measurements |
|-----|----|------|--|------------------------|--------------|
| X   |    |      | North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |              |
| X   |    |      | North Shore Entrance (NSE-2) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |              |
| X   |    |      | North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0'–2.0'              |              |
|     |    | X    | South Powerhouse Entrance (SPE-1) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |              |
|     |    | X    | South Powerhouse Entrance (SPE-2) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |              |
| X   |    |      | South Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential | 1.0'–2.0'              |              |
| X   |    | X    | South Shore Entrance (SSE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |              |
| X   |    |      | South Shore Entrance (SSE-2) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 6.0'            |              |
| X   |    |      | South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0' – 2.0'            |              |

Comments: The south powerhouse entrance weir (SPE-1) was on sill during all inspections with readings of 6.7, 7.7 and 6.6 feet respectively. The south powerhouse entrance weir (SPE-2) was on sill during all inspections with readings of 6.7, 7.7 and 6.6 feet respectively. The south shore entrance weir (SSE-1) was on sill during the October 12 and 14 inspections with readings of 7.9 feet on both days.



Auxiliary Water Supply System:

| Operating Satisfactory | Standby | Out of Service | Auxiliary Water Supply System (AWS) |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Yes                    |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 1                     |
| Yes                    |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 2                     |
| Yes                    |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 3                     |

Comments: None

**Juvenile Fish Passage Facility**

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

| Yes | No | NA | Item                                      | Comments           |
|-----|----|----|---|--------------------|
| X   |    |    | Forebay debris load acceptable? (amount)  | 0 yds <sup>2</sup> |
| X   |    |    | Gatewell drawdown measured this week?     |                    |
| X   |    |    | Gatewell drawdown acceptable              |                    |
| X   |    |    | Any debris seen in gatewells (% coverage) | 0 - 3%             |
|     | X  |    | Any oil seen in gatewells?                |                    |

Comments: None

STSs/VBSs:

| Yes | No | NA | Item   |
|-----|----|----|--|
| X   |    |    | STSs deployed and in service in operating and available units?               |
|     | X  |    | STSs in continuous-run mode (Note: if not, then STSs are in cycle-run mode)? |
|     | X  |    | STSs inspected this week?  |
|     |    | X  | STSs inspection results acceptable?  |
|     | X  |    | VBSs differentials checked this week?  |
|     |    | X  | VBSs differentials acceptable?   |

Comments: STS's were operating on cycle mode during the reporting period due to average sub-yearling Chinook salmon and sockeye salmon lengths being greater than 120 mm.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Flume:

| Yes | No | NA | Item   | Number open and in service |
|-----|----|----|--|----------------------------|
| X   |    |    | Orifices operating satisfactory?                       | 18                         |
| X   |    |    | Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory? |                            |

Comments: None

Collection Facility: The fish collection facility out of service for winter maintenance.

Transport Summary: Transport at Lower Monumental ended June 20.

Spillway Weir: Fall spill began at 0001 on October 1.

## River Conditions

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 |
| 17.2                            | 15.3 | 1.5                        | 0.0 | 61.5                    | 61.0 | 6.0                                | 5.7 |

\*Scrollcase temperatures.

## Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: Cooling water strainer inspections will resume in December.

Avian Activity: Highest counts of foraging piscivorous birds in tailrace (SWT1+PH1+PH2) at Lower Monumental Dam are reported in the table below.

| Date       | Time | Gulls | Cormorants | Terns | Grebes | Pelicans |
|------------|------|-------|------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 10/12/2021 | 1230 | 0     | 1          | 0     | 0      | 0        |
| 10/13/2021 | 1450 | 2     | 21         | 0     | 0      | 0        |
| 10/14/2021 | 1300 | 2     | 0          | 0     | 0      | 0        |

Comments: Bird hazing efforts by USDA personnel ended June 2.

Invasive Species: No zebra or quagga mussels were observed during monitoring station inspections on September 19.

Siberian Prawn: Siberian prawn collection ended on October 1.

Fish Rescue/Salvage: No fish rescue or salvage occurred.

Research: No research is occurring currently.

**Project: Little Goose**

Biologists: Chuck Barnes and Deborah Snyder

**Turbine Operation**

| Yes | No | Turbine Unit Status   |
|-----|----|---|
|     | X  | All 6 turbine units available for service (see table & comments below for details). |

\*All available turbine units are operated in accordance with App. C of the Fish Passage Plan.

## Little Goose Unit Outages (OOS) and Return to Service (RTS)

| Unit | OOS      |       | RTS        |       | Outage Description                     |
|------|----------|-------|------------|-------|--|
|      | Date     | Time  | Date       | Time  |  |
| 5    | 04/14/17 | 14:11 | 12/31/2022 | 17:00 | Spider and upper guide bearing repair. |
| 6    | 03/18/21 | 14:17 | N/A        | 17:00 | T2 C phase ground fault                |
| 4    | 09/20/21 | 08:00 | 10/14/2021 | 16:45 | Annual Maintenance                     |

Comments: Little Goose experienced a T2 transformer ground on March 18 at 14:17. T2 transformer and Units 5 and 6 will be out of service until repairs/replacement can be performed.

**Adult Fish Passage Facility**

Little Goose fish facility, Environmental Assessment Services (EAS) and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) staff inspected the adult fishway on October 9, October 11, and October 14.

Fish Ladder:

| Yes | No | NA | Location  | Criteria                    | Measurements |
|-----|----|----|---|-----------------------------|--------------|
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Exit Differential                                 | Head $\leq$ 0.5'            |              |
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential                        | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |              |
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs                                  | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' |              |
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Cooling Water Pumps in Service                    |                             |              |
|     | X  |    | Fish Ladder Exit Cooling Water Pumps Operating Satisfactorily |                             |              |

Fishway Entrances and Collection Channel:

| Yes | No | Sill | Location   | Criteria               | Measurements |
|-----|----|------|--|------------------------|--------------|
| X   |    |      | South Shore Entrance (SSE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0'            |              |
| X   |    |      | South Shore Entrance (SSE-2) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0'            |              |
| X   |    |      | South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0' – 2.0'            |              |
|     |    | X    | North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-1) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 7.0' or on sill |              |
|     |    | X    | North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-2) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 7.0' or on sill |              |
| X   |    |      | North Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential | 1.0'–2.0'              |              |
| X   |    |      | North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 6.0' or on sill |              |
| X   |    |      | North Shore Entrance (NSE-2) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 6.0' or on sill |              |
| X   | X  |      | North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0'–2.0'              | .90 on 10/09 |
| X   |    |      | Collection Channel Surface Velocity                      | 1.5 – 4.0 fps          |              |

Comments: The adult fishway continues to operate in manual mode. The fish control system still has a faulty hydranger for the NSE1 weir and is currently awaiting repair. Subsequent NSE fish control system channel and tailwater readings were encountered and remedied with physical staff gauge and water level depth indicator measurements.

Ladder exit cooling pumps were placed into service at 2052 hrs on 12 June when 0.5m forebay temperatures exceeded 64°F. At 16:00 on September 19 the 0.5m forebay temperature met the qualifying criteria to shut down the ladder exit cooling pump for the season.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

| Operating Satisfactory | Standby | Out of Service | Auxiliary Water Supply System (AWS) |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| X                      |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 1                     |
| X                      |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 2                     |
| X                      |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 3                     |

Comments: Fish pumps 1 and 2 were returned to service on February 23. Fish pump 3 returned to service April 7.

**Juvenile Fish Passage Facility**

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

| Yes | No | NA | Item                                      | Comment  |
|-----|----|----|---|--|
| X   |    |    | Forebay debris load acceptable? (amount)  | 100ft <sup>2</sup> on 10/14; 470ft <sup>2</sup> on 10/10 |
|     | X  |    | Gatewell drawdown measured this week?     |  |
|     |    | X  | Gatewell drawdown acceptable              |  |
| X   |    |    | Any debris seen in gatewells (% coverage) | 6C: 1% 10/9  |
| X   |    |    | Any oil seen in gatewells?                | 6A on 10/08  |

Comments: There is currently fluctuating minimal to moderate floating woody debris inside the trash shear boom. Gatewell drawdowns for Unit 1 were conducted on October 7 and were in criteria. Oil sheen in gatewell 6A was discovered during morning rounds on 10/08, PIG oil only absorbent socks were deployed. 6A ESBS slot already had PIG booms and air bubbler in place, unit status remains OOS.

ESBS/VBS:

| Yes | No | NA | Item  |
|-----|----|----|---|
|     | X  |    | ESBSs deployed in all slots and in service? |
|     | X  |    | ESBSs inspected this week?                  |
|     |    | X  | ESBSs inspection results acceptable?        |
|     | X  |    | VBSs differentials checked this week?       |
|     |    | X  | VBSs differentials acceptable?              |
|     | X  |    | VBSs inspected this week?                   |

Comments: ESBS's were installed in Units 2, 3 and 4 on March 22 and 23. VBS differentials for Unit 1 were conducted on October 7 and were in criteria. ESBS/VBS camera inspections for all units took place June 8-10. Unit 4 was inspected again on October 7. Unit 6 has 1 remaining ESBS currently raised and stored within the Unit 5-B slot position. Unit 6 bulkheads are in place; both Units 5 and 6 are out of service.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, and Flume:

| Yes | No | NA | Item   | Number open and in service |
|-----|----|----|--|----------------------------|
| X   |    |    | Orifices operating satisfactory?                       | 18-19                      |
| X   |    |    | Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory? |                            |

Comments: The juvenile bypass system was watered up on March 22 and began daily collection for transportation on April 23.

**Collection Facility:** Collection for condition monitoring in conjunction with secondary bypass commenced on April 1 with the first sample being conducted on April 2. Every other day collection and sampling occurred through April 22. Daily collection for transportation began on April 23 with the first daily barge departing on April 24. The collection and transport facility operated within criteria this report period. A total of 297 fish were collected, 332 were transported via truck, 0 were bypassed, and there were 11 sample or facility mortalities. The descaling and mortality rates were 2.8% and 4.02%, respectively. No adult lamprey were removed from the separator during this report period.

**Transport Summary:** Daily fish transportation via barge began on April 24. Every other day barge transportation began May 18 and ended June 21. Collection for transport resumed at 0700 hrs July 5 and every other day truck transportation began July 6.

**Spillway Weir:** Spring spill operations began on April 3 with the ASW in high crest. ASW day surface spill emergency procedure began July 3 at 0900 hours and ceased July 9 at 1600 hours. Off-season surface spill for adult steelhead downstream passage as outlined in the 2020 NOAA Fisheries CRS Biological Opinion took place between 0500 and 0900 hours on October 10, October 12, and October 14.

### River Conditions

River conditions at Little Goose Dam.

| Daily Average River Flow (kcs) |      | Daily Average Spill (kcs) |     | Water Temperature* (°F) |      | Water Clarity (Secchi disk - feet) |     |
|--------------------------------|------|---------------------------|-----|-------------------------|------|------------------------------------|-----|
| High                           | Low  | High                      | Low | High                    | Low  | High                               | Low |
| 17.2                           | 14.7 | 1.6                       | 0.0 | 63.7                    | 61.8 | 6.0                                | 5.5 |

\*Ladder temperature.

### Other

**Inline Cooling Water Strainers:** Inspections will resume in December.

**Avian Activity:** Daily piscivorous bird counts at Little Goose Dam began on April 1. USDA hazing activities began on March 29 and ended June 19.

| Date  | Time | Gulls | Cormorants | Caspian Terns | Pelicans |
|-------|------|-------|------------|---------------|----------|
| 10-08 | 0800 | 15    | 11         | 0             | 0        |
| 10-09 | 0735 | 20    | 31         | 0             | 0        |
| 10-10 | 0830 | 33    | 4          | 0             | 0        |
| 10-11 | 1040 | 46    | 5          | 0             | 0        |
| 10-12 | 1530 | 240   | 44         | 0             | 0        |
| 10-13 | 0815 | 85    | 27         | 0             | 0        |
| 10-14 | 0845 | 90    | 12         | 0             | 0        |

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

Siberian Prawn: Juvenile fish collection began on April 1. Siberian prawns collected in the sample at the Juvenile Fish Facility are humanely euthanized by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and Anchor, frozen and properly disposed of in a landfill. Daily and total Siberian prawn counts at Little Goose Dam for this reporting period are reported below.

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Sample</b> | <b>Collection*</b> |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 10-08       | 289           | 289                |
| 10-09       | 189           | 189                |
| 10-10       | 338           | 338                |
| 10-11       | 210           | 210                |
| 10-12       | 214           | 214                |
| 10-13       | 73            | 73                 |
| 10-14       | 109           | 109                |
| Totals      | 1422          | 1422               |

Gas Bubble Trauma (GBT): GBT monitoring for the 2021 season concluded July 26.

Fish Rescue/Salvage: No fish rescue / salvage activities were performed this period.

Research: The Nez Perce Tribe (NPT) began adult steelhead kelt collection on May 3 and ended June 30.

**Project: Lower Granite**

Biologists: Elizabeth Holdren and David Miller

**Turbine Operation**

| Yes | No | Turbine Unit Status   |
|-----|----|---|
|     | X  | All 6 turbine units available for service (see table & comments below for details). |

\*All available turbine units are operated in accordance with App. C of the Fish Passage Plan.

**Lower Granite Unit Outages (OOS) and Return to Service (RTS)**

| Unit | OOS   |      | RTS  |      | Outage Description                             |
|------|-------|------|------|------|--|
|      | Date  | Time | Date | Time |  |
| 3    | 10/04 | 0704 |      |      | Annual Maintenance and Bearing Indication Work |

Comments: None.

**Adult Fish Passage Facility**

Lower Granite Biologists and Anchor QEA staff inspected the adult fishway October 9, 12, and 14.

**Fish Ladder:**

| Yes | No | NA | Location   | Criteria                    | Comments |
|-----|----|----|--|-----------------------------|----------|
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Exit Differential                            | Head $\leq$ 0.5'            |          |
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Picketed Lead Differential                   | Head $\leq$ 0.3'            |          |
| X   |    |    | Fish Ladder Depth over Weirs                             | Head over weir 1.0' to 1.3' |          |
|     | X  |    | Fish Ladder Cooling Water Pumps in Service               |                             |          |
|     |    | X  | Fish Ladder Cooling Water Pumps Operating Satisfactorily |                             |          |

Comments: None.

**Fish Ladder Entrances and Collection Channel:**

| Yes | No | Sill | Location   | Criteria               | Comments         |
|-----|----|------|--|------------------------|------------------|
| X   |    |      | South Shore Entrance (SSE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0'            |                  |
| X   |    |      | South Shore Entrance (SSE-2) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 8.0'            |                  |
| X   |    |      | South Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0' – 2.0'            |                  |
| X   |    |      | North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-1) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |                  |
| X   |    |      | North Powerhouse Entrance (NPE-2) Weir Depth             | $\geq$ 8.0' or on sill |                  |
| X   |    |      | North Powerhouse Entrance Channel/Tailwater Differential | 1.0'–2.0'              |                  |
| X   |    |      | North Shore Entrance (NSE-1) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 7.0' or on sill |                  |
| X   |    |      | North Shore Entrance (NSE-2) Weir Depth                  | $\geq$ 7.0' or on sill |                  |
|     | X  |      | North Shore Channel/Tailwater Differential               | 1.0'–2.0'              | 0.8', 0.9', 0.8' |
| X   |    |      | Collection Channel Surface Velocity                      | 1.5 – 4.0 fps          |                  |

Comments: Ladder collection channel operation and configuration are being evaluated to resolve ongoing issues. FOGs 1, 4, 7, and 10 are in operation. North shore and north powerhouse channel/tailrace head differential's ability to maintain criteria range is dependent of tailrace conditions. Lower Granite electrical crew continue to work on the ladder control system issues.

Auxiliary Water Supply System:

| Operating Satisfactorily | Standby | Out of Service | Auxiliary Water Supply (AWS) |
|--------------------------|---------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Yes                      |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 1              |
| Yes                      |         |                | AWS Fish Pump 2              |
|                          | Yes     |                | AWS Fish Pump 3              |

Comments: None.

**Juvenile Fish Passage Facility**

Forebay Debris/Gatewell Debris/Oil:

| Yes | No | NA | Item   | Comments                             |
|-----|----|----|--|--------------------------------------|
| X   |    |    | Forebay debris load acceptable? (amount)     | Weekly average 22.9 yds <sup>2</sup> |
| X   |    |    | Trash rack differentials measured this week? |                                      |
| X   |    |    | Trash rack differentials acceptable          |                                      |
|     | X  |    | Any debris seen in gatewells (% coverage)    |                                      |
|     | X  |    | Any oil seen in gatewells?                   |                                      |

Comments: None.

ESBSs/VBSs:

| Yes | No | NA | Item  |
|-----|----|----|---|
| X   |    |    | ESBSs deployed in all slots and in service? |
|     | X  |    | ESBSs inspected this week?                  |
|     |    | X  | ESBSs inspection results acceptable?        |
| X   |    |    | VBSs differentials checked this week?       |
| X   |    |    | VBSs differentials acceptable?              |

Comments: None.

Orifices, Collection Channel, Dewatering Structure, Bypass Pipe:

| Yes | No | NA | Item   | Number open and in service |
|-----|----|----|--|----------------------------|
| X   |    |    | Orifices operating satisfactory?                       | 18                         |
| X   |    |    | Dewaterer and cleaning systems operating satisfactory? |                            |

Comments: None.

Collection Facility: The facility is in collection mode for condition sample and juvenile truck transport.

Transport Summary: A total of 546 smolts were transported this reporting period. There have been 119,855 smolts transported by truck since July 2.

Spillway Weir: A total of 250,441 PIT tagged smolts have been detected over the RSW this season compared to a total of 23,583 smolts detected in the juvenile system. A total of 711 adult PIT tagged steelhead, 80 Chinook, and 2 Sockeye have been detected at the RSW this season compared to 97 adult steelhead and 39 Chinook detected at the juvenile facility.



## River Conditions

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 |
| 18.6                            | 15.2 | 1.8                        | 0   | 62.0                    | 60.0 | 5.0                                | 5.0 |

\*Cooling water intake temperature.

## Other

Inline Cooling Water Strainers: N/A

Invasive Species: No zebra/quagga mussels were detected on the trap substrate. There were 714 Siberian prawns collected in sample and euthanized this week.

Avian Activity:

| Date   | Time | Gulls | Cormorants | Caspian Terns | Pelicans |
|--------|------|-------|------------|---------------|----------|
| Oct 8  | 1315 | 12    | 31         | 0             | 0        |
| Oct 9  | 1045 | 2     | 8          | 0             | 0        |
| Oct 10 | 1340 | 2     | 17         | 0             | 0        |
| Oct 11 | 1720 | 1     | 3          | 0             | 0        |
| Oct 12 | 1023 | 14    | 28         | 0             | 0        |
| Oct 13 | 1056 | 8     | 36         | 0             | 0        |
| Oct 14 | 0735 | 14    | 2          | 0             | 0        |

Gas Bubble Trauma (GBT) Monitoring: N/A

Adult Fish Trap Operations: Trapping 7 days per week at 18% and collection of fall Chinook salmon broodstock for transport to NPT and WDFW hatcheries began August 18. Chinook salmon broodstock collection concluded September 28 and Coho salmon broodstock collection began September 29.

Fish Rescue/Salvage: N/A

Research:

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) PIT tagging of Adult Wild Chinook salmon and Adult Steelhead for ISEMP-Related Dispersal Monitoring:

The goal of this project is to PIT tag up to 4000 unclipped adult Chinook salmon and 4000 unclipped adult steelhead collected in the adult trap daily sample for dispersal monitoring.

Sampling of Steelhead, Chinook salmon, and Sockeye salmon by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) and NOAA Fisheries for Biological data collection.

Upriver migrating steelhead, spring/summer Chinook salmon, and sockeye salmon are collected from the adult trap beginning April 4 through December 15. The goal is to collect 5-20% of adult steelhead, spring/summer Chinook salmon, and sockeye salmon ascending the ladder April 4-December 15. Data collection includes fish scales, genetics tissue, sex and length, wild/hatchery composition, and non-adipose clipped hatchery fish assessment. Natural origin adult steelhead and spring/summer Chinook salmon trapped will be PIT tagged to estimate headwater tributary escapement. Sockeye salmon may be PIT tagged in the future to estimate metrics regarding conversion

rates. Some steelhead and spring/summer Chinook salmon may be radio-tagged or spaghetti-tagged. This information on adult fish forms the basis for status information used in several forums including BiOp-RPA identified needs.

#### PIT Tagging and Genetic Sample Collection from Bull Trout for USFWS:

Bull trout will be collected as part of the normal adult trap daily sample and using the adult SbyC system to recapture previously PIT tagged fish. Untagged bull trout will be PIT tagged, fin clipped for genetic analysis, and have morphometric data collected including weight and length etc. Fin clips will be sent to USFWS to determine the fish's origin. Previously PIT tagged bull trout will only have morphometric data collected. All fish will be released back into the adult fish ladder.

#### USGS Juvenile Fall Chinook Salmon Growth and Origin

USGS began collection of previously tagged subyearling Chinook salmon utilizing LWG juvenile collection facility SbyC system began September 8 and will continue through October 31. Previously PIT tagged fish are diverted to the SbyC tanks, weighed, measured, GSI sampled, scanned for PIT tag code, recovered from anesthetic, and released back to the river. The objective of this project is to estimate the growth of PIT-tagged subyearling Chinook salmon from the Clearwater River to Lower Granite Dam.