Water Management Plan

Appendix 3

Introduction to Timeline

The timeline given below shows the approximate starting and end times of actions and events included in this year's Water Management Plan. It is designed to give a sense of when various actions occur. Dates are approximate and subject to change. Also note actions shown may not occur.

Project Abbreviations

LIB – Libby

HGH – Hungry Horse

LWG – Lower Granite

LGS – Little Goose

LMN – Lower Monumental

IHR – Ice Harbor

MCN – McNary

JDA – John Day

TDA – The Dalles

BON – Bonneville

TMT – Technical Management Team

DWR – Dworshak

PRD - Priest Rapids

ALF – Albeni Falls

GCL – Grand Coulee

RCC – Reservoir Control Center

RFC – River Forecast Center

USBR – US Bureau of Reclamation

ID	Task Name	Start	Finish
1	LIB Operate to Minimum Flows / Ramp Rates	10/1/23	9/30/24
2	HGH Operate to Minimum Flows / Ramp Rates	10/1/23	9/30/24
3	TMT Assess Potential of Providing Flow for Chinook Below BON	10/1/23	11/30/23
4	TMT Assess Potential of Providing Flow for Chum Below BON	10/1/23	11/30/23
5	TMT Preliminary Discussions of FRM/Water Supply / Refill	10/1/23	10/1/23
6	Albeni Falls Fall / Winter Draw Down to MCE	09/20/23	11/15/23
7	Hanford Reach / Vernita Bar Flows Set (Non-BiOp)	10/1/23	11/26/23
8	DWR Operate at Minimum Outflow/FRM	10/1/23	12/31/23
9	PRD Vernita Bar Protection Flows (Non-BiOp)	11/26/23	5/9/24
10	LIB Storage May be Used to Support Chum Flows	11/2/23	2/23/24
11	HGH Storage May be Used to Support Chum Flows	11/2/23	2/23/24
12	ALF Storage May be Used to Support Chum Flows	11/2/23	2/23/24
13	GCL Storage May be Used to Support Chum Flows	11/2/23	2/23/24
14	BON Provide Chum Tailwater	11/1/23	4/10/24
15	TMT Determine Winter / Spring Chum Flow Levels	11/1/23	4/10/24
16	HEPB Determine FRM / Refill Strategies	12/1/23	4/16/24
17	HEPB Determine FRM Shifts	12/1/23	4/16/24
18	LIB Operate to FRM Curve	12/1/23	6/30/24
19	DWR Operate to FRM Curve/VDL	12/1/23	6/30/24
20	ALF Operate to FRM Curve/FWPO	9/10/23	6/22/24
21	GCL Operate to FRM Curve/VDL	1/1/23	4/30/24
22	HGH Operate to FRM Curve/VDL	10/1/23	4/30/24
23	ARDB Whitefish Flows (non-BiOp)	12/1/23	1/31/24
24	TMT Preliminary Coordination of Zero Generation Operations	11/17/23	2/28/24
25	1 MAF Treaty Flow Augmentation Filling	1/1/24	4/25/24

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26	RFC January Final Forecast	1/5/24	1/5/24
27	TMT Begin Spring Transport Discussions	3/1/24	3/1/24
28	TMT Mid-C Flows Discussions	4/1/24	5/15/24
29	RFC February Final Forecast	2/3/24	2/3/24
30	USBR Min. Flows from HGH and at Columbia Falls Set	3/1/24	3/1/24
31	RFC March Final Forecast	3/3/24	3/3/24
32	Reclamation Reports Est. of Upper Snake Augmentation Volumes	3/1/24	6/30/24
33	PRD Hanford Reach Protection Flows (non-BiOp)	11/26/24	6/28/24
34	ARDB Trout Spawning Flows (non-BiOp)	4/1/24	6/28/24
35	LWG Spring Flow Objective	4/3/24	6/20/24
36	LWG MOP Operation	4/3/24	8/15/24
37	LGS MOP Operation	4/3/24	8/15/24
38	LMN MOP Operation	4/3/24	8/15/24
39	IHR MOP Operation	4/3/24	8/15/24
40	LWG Spill for Juvenile Fish Operation	4/3/24	8/31/24
41	LGS Spill for Juvenile Fish Operation	4/3/24	8/31/24
42	LMN Spill for Juvenile Fish Operation	4/3/24	8/31/24
43	IHR Spill for Juvenile Fish Operation	4/3/24	8/31/24
44	RFC April Final Forecast	4/5/24	4/5/24
45	LIB at April 10 Elevation Objective	4/10/24	4/10/24
46	GCL at April 10 Elevation Objective	4/10/24	4/10/24

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47	DWR at April 10 Elevation Objective	4/10/24	4/10/24
48	HGH at April 10 Elevation Objective	4/10/24	4/10/24
49	MCN Spring Flow Objective	4/10/24	6/30/24
50	PRD Spring Flow Objective	4/10/24	6/30/24
51	MCN Spill for Juvenile Fish Passage	4/10/24	8/31/24
52	JDA Spill for Juvenile Fish Passage	4/10/24	8/31/24
53	TDA Spill for Juvenile Fish Passage	4/10/24	8/31/24
54	BON Spill for Juvenile Fish Passage	4/10/24	8/31/24
55	LIB Sturgeon Pulse	5/16/24	6/30/24
56	1MAF Flow Augmentation Release	4/10/24	7/29/24
57	RFC May Final Forecast	5/4/24	5/4/24
58	Volume Forecast to Determine Sturgeon Pulse Volume	5/1/24	5/1/24
59	RFC June Final Forecast	6/3/24	6/3/24
60	TDA Summer Flow Objective	6/7/24	6/7/24
61	DWR Temperature Modeling and Release Strategy	6/15/24	6/15/24
62	LWG Summer Flow Objective	6/21/24	8/31/24
63	LIB Refill	6/20/24	7/30/24
64	GCL Refill and July 4 th Operation coordinated in-season	6/30/24	7/31/24
65	DWR Refill by about June 30 or earlier in dry years	6/1/24	6/30/24
66	HGH Refill ~June 30	6/30/24	6/30/24
67	ALF Refill by June 30	6/30/24	6/30/24
68	GCL Operate to Meet Summer Flow Objectives	7/1/24	8/31/24

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68	DWR Operate to Meet Tailrace Water Temperature at LWG	6/20/24	8/31/24
69	MCN Summer Flow Objective	7/1/24	8/31/24
70	GCL Operate Banks Lake 5 ft. from full or lower	7/1/24	8/31/24
71	LIB Bull Trout Minimum Flow	7/1/24	9/30/24
72	RFC July Final Forecast	7/6/24	7/6/24
73	DWR Draft no lower than Elevation 1535 feet	8/31/24	8/31/24
74	GCL Summer Draft Limit 1280 or 1278 ft. minus Incremental Adjustment	8/31/24	8/31/24
75	LIB Summer Draft to End of September Elevation	9/30/24	9/30/24
76	HGH Operate to Summer Draft Limit 3540 ft to 3550 ft.	6/30/24	9/30/24
77	DWR Draft to elevation 1520 feet	9/30/24	9/30/24
78	GCL Fall Refill to Elevation 1283 ft. (non-BiOp)	9/1/24	10/31/24