



Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT/PRIVACY PROGRAM

March 17, 2021

In reply refer to: FOIA #BPA-2020-00719-F

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Dear Mr. Missel,

This communication is the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) second partial response to your request for agency records made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (FOIA). BPA received your records request on April 21, 2020, and formally acknowledged your request on April 23, 2020. BPA provided the first partial release of responsive records on December 28, 2020 (BPA-2020-00719- F 0001-0030).

Request

1. Any communications sent from BPA to any member(s) of the news media from January 1, 2020 through the search date concerning and/or referring to the CRSO Draft EIS.
2. Any and all records from January 1, 2020 through the search date that document, memorialize, or refer to any meetings, conversations, or other communications between BPA and any member(s) of the news media concerning and/or referring to the CRSO Draft EIS.
3. Any and all records from January 1, 2020 through the search date regarding communications with member(s) of the news media concerning and/or referring to the CRSO Draft EIS. This would include, for instance, any intra- or inter-agency emails or meeting minutes regarding developing or implementing a communications strategy related to the CRSO Draft EIS.
4. Any communications sent from BPA to any of its wholesale customers⁴ from January 1, 2020 through the search date concerning and/or referring to the CRSO Draft EIS.
5. Any and all records from January 1, 2020 through the search date that document, memorialize, or refer to any meetings, conversations, or other communications between BPA and any of its wholesale customers concerning and/or referring to the CRSO Draft EIS.

6. Any and all records from January 1, 2020 through the search date relating to communications with any of BPA's wholesale customers concerning and/or referring to the CRSO Draft EIS.

This would include, for instance, any intra- or inter-agency emails or meeting minutes that refer to or concern BPA's communications with its wholesale customers regarding the CRSO Draft EIS.

Second Partial Response

BPA searched for and gathered records responsive to your FOIA request from the following agency offices: Communications, Media Relations and Policy, Generation Asset Management, and Environmental, Fish & Wildlife. BPA's second partial response includes 146 pages of email records. BPA is releasing 118 pages in full; releasing 2 pages with redactions applied under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2) (Exemption 2); and releasing 26 pages with redactions applied under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) (Exemption 6). An explanation of the exemptions applied follows.

Explanation of Exemptions

The FOIA generally requires the release of all agency records upon request. However, the FOIA permits or requires withholding certain limited information that falls under one or more of nine statutory exemptions (5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(1-9)). Further, section (b) of the FOIA, which contains the FOIA's nine statutory exemptions, also directs agencies to publicly release any reasonably segregable, non-exempt information that is contained in those records.

Exemption 2

Exemption 2 permits withholding of material "related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency" (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2)). BPA relies on Exemption 2 here to protect meeting passcodes from public release.

Exemption 6

Exemption 6 serves to protect Personally Identifiable Information (PII) contained in agency records when no overriding public interest in the information exists. BPA does not find an overriding public interest in a release of the information redacted under Exemption 6—specifically, cellphone numbers, personal email addresses, and communications where there is a personal privacy interest. This information sheds no light on the executive functions of the agency and BPA finds no overriding public interest in its release. BPA cannot waive these redactions, as the protections afforded by Exemption 6 belong to individuals and not to the agency.

Lastly, as required by 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(8)(A), information has been withheld only in instances where (1) disclosure is prohibited by statute, or (2) BPA foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by the exemption cited for the record. When full disclosure of a record is not possible, the FOIA statute further requires that BPA take reasonable steps to segregate and release nonexempt information. The agency has determined that in certain instances partial

disclosure is possible, and has accordingly segregated the records into exempt and non-exempt portions.

Certification

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7(b)(2), I am the individual responsible for the partial records release and exemption determinations described above.

Third Partial Release Target Date

BPA continues to review and process the remaining responsive records collected in response to your request. That ongoing effort includes the required exemption reviews described in prior communications with you concerning your FOIA request.

Please know that for an undetermined period, related to the agency's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, BPA personnel are operating within a remote working directive. FOIA request processing is thereby slowed. BPA remains committed to meeting its FOIA obligations to you and to all its many FOIA requesters. In light of the above conditions and determinations BPA currently estimates the completion of a response to your FOIA request by September 24, 2021. BPA invites you to contact us to narrow the scope of your request, if desirable, or discuss this estimated completion date.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
College Park, Maryland 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Phone: 202-741-5770
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448
Fax: 202-741-5769

Questions about this communication or the status of your FOIA request may be directed to the FOIA Public Liaison Jason Taylor at jetaylor@bpa.gov or 503-230-3537. Questions may also be directed to E. Thanh Knudson (FOIA Case Coordinator, Flux Resources, LLP) at 503-230-5221, or via email at etknudson@bpa.gov.

Sincerely,



Candice D. Palen, Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer

Enclosure: [responsive records](#)

From: Hansen,Michael S (BPA) - DKP-7

Sent: Fri Jan 03 16:00:24 2020

To: Habibi,Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7; Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7

Subject: FW: FOLLOW UP MEDIA PLAN - January 9th Deputies & Communications Meeting

Importance: High

Attachments: 20191029_Surnaming DRAFT DEIS Release Comment NEWS RELEASE.DOCX; MediaPlan - CRSO - 2019-MH
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Do we want to include an Elliot quote in the news release? I think so, but he will have to write it because I have no idea what he would like to say.

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] January 9th Deputies & Communications Meeting

Privileged and Confidential

Good Afternoon All,

I'm writing to confirm that there will be a Deputies and Comms meeting on January 9th from 12:00-3:00PT in Portland. We will also have a WebEx, as I know that at least Beth will have to join remotely.

I've included NEPA Policy and Communications Directors so that they can attend as needed or desired. The intent of this meeting will be to get alignment on the DEIS phase of public outreach efforts. A draft outreach plan will be provided by the Comms Leads prior to the meeting.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any thoughts, concerns, or ideas on how to be efficient given everyone's heavy workloads.

Yours,
Emily

Emily Stranz | Mediator/Facilitator | DS Consulting | Pronouns: She/Hers

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Media Outreach Strategy

- Co-lead agency media team members to provide accurate and timely information to conventional and social media outlets regarding the Columbia River System Operations draft EIS. Including but not limited to, public meeting locations/times, length of public comment period and how individuals can submit comments and take part in the draft EIS process.

Communications Objective

- Ensure stakeholders, congressionals, media and other members of the public understand and feel that the three co-lead agencies are conducting a transparent and open NEPA process.

Communication Tactics

- **Produce and publish news releases and media advisories for meetings and other CRSO updates as necessary**
 - Approximately seven days before each public meeting, the media team will publish media advisories to media outlets nearest to upcoming meeting locations.
 - Media team members may contact newspapers and when appropriate, editorial boards, to provide media contacts and offer interviews.
 - Possible posts on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, ect. before and after each meeting with any needed updates.
- **Coordinate updates and postings to the CRSO EIS website with the latest news and materials**
 - Media Advisories to be posted to CRSO website at the time they are sent to media
- **Press kits**
 - Press kits for public meetings to contain media team contact information, website address and CRSO 1-800 number, press releases and appropriate fact sheets.
- **Newsletters and project updates**
 - The media team will continue to support frequent public updates on the status of the NEPA process.

Add a point on being responsive in timely manner to inquiries, coordinating responses as appropriate..

- **Media representatives from each agency to staff each of the public meetings for the draft EIS.**
 - Media representatives will provide NEPA CRSO Team with analysis of key issues and concerns that arise through media and other public forums.
- **Active outreach to targeted Northwest newspapers and*editorial boards (if deemed appropriate).**
 - The Oregonian
 - Seattle Times
 - Spokesman Review
 - Wenatchee World
 - The Columbian
 - Idaho Statesman
 - Tri-City Herald
 - Lewiston Tribune

- All media inquiries should be directed to CRSO media representatives.
- Agency media reps. will provide the NEPA communications team with updates from any media interactions on the project.
- Media Team will provide policy and executive teams with periodic updates and maintain media clips for the project record.

Media outreach time line

Dates are subject to change – this gives an idea of the types of activities and the order in which they would occur.

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Environmental Impact Statement P.O. Box 2870, Portland, OR 97208-2870 1-800-290-5033

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NEWS RELEASE

INTERNAL REVIEW DRAFT

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Michael Coffey, Bureau of Reclamation, (208) 378-5020

David Wilson, Bonneville Power Administration, (503) 230-5607

For Release:

Federal agencies release Columbia River System Operations Draft Environmental Impact Statement and preferred alternative

Comment period open February 14-March 29, 2020

Portland, Ore. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and Bonneville Power Administration have released the Columbia River System Operations Draft EIS for public review and a 45-day comment period. The draft includes the co-lead agencies' preferred alternative for the long-term operations, maintenance and configurations for 14 federal projects in the Columbia River System.

The environmental documentation includes the analysis of alternative system operations and the benefits and impacts of the different operations on affected resources as considered under the National Environmental Policy Act process. Public comments on the Draft EIS will further inform the process of reaching a final decision that meets the goals of the effort. The co-lead agencies will assess and consider all comments both individually and collectively and all responses will be provided in the final EIS, expected in June 2020. Following the release of the final EIS, each co-lead agency will issue a record of decision in Sept. 2020 which will document final decisions or actions.

"The draft EIS represents a remarkable collaborative effort to gather public input and information for a current and thorough analysis of options that meet the goals of the EIS and our future responsibilities to the region," said Brig. Gen. D. Peter Helmlinger, Northwestern Division commander, U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers. “I commend the region’s commitment to identifying a preferred alternative that considers the environmental, economic, cultural and social impacts in balance with the System’s authorized purposes and our resource, legal and institutional obligations. This was no easy accomplishment.”

How to review

The Draft EIS is available for review in several formats:

- View or download files on the project website: www.crso.info
- Request a CD through postal mail by leaving a request at 800-290-5033 or through an email request to info@crso.info
- Review print copies at several libraries and other repositories across the region (add link/locations posted on line).

How to comment

The CRSO EIS website provides links to resources for drafting effective comments. Comments may be submitted through several methods:

- Through an online comment page available on www.crso.info
- By postal mail to CRSO EIS, P.O. Box 2870, Portland, OR 97208-2870 (comments must be postmarked by March XX, 2020)
- In person at any of the public meetings (in writing, orally, and through a court reporters)

Public meetings

Six public meetings will each include an informational open house, agency staff available to answer questions and a presentation on the development of the EIS and the preferred alternative. Oral comments recorded by a court reporter will be heard in a hearing format, computers will be available to provide written comments via the online format, and a court reporter also will record comments provided in a non-hearing format.

March 3 City, State	Venue Address	Open house: 5-9 p.m. Verbal comments: TBD p.m.
March 4 City, State	Venue Address	Open house: 5-9 p.m. Verbal comments: TBD p.m.
March 5 City, State	Venue Address	Open house: 5-9 p.m. Verbal comments: TBD p.m.

March 10 City, State	Venue Address	Open house: 5-9 p.m. Verbal comments: TBD p.m.
March 11 City, State	Venue Address	Open house: 5-9 p.m. Verbal comments: TBD p.m.
March 12 City, State	Venue Address	Open house: 5-9 p.m. Verbal comments: TBD p.m.

Americans with Disabilities Act accommodations or translation services can be made available at these meetings with 72-hour advanced notice. Please call (800) 290-5033 or email a request to info@crso.info.

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Sent: Mon Jan 06 13:34:34 2020

To: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US); Coffey, Michael A; Hansen,Michael S (BPA) - DKP-7; Hansen,Michael S (BPA) - DKP-7

Cc: Scruggs,Joel L (BPA) - DK-7

Subject: RE: FOLLOW UP MEDIA PLAN - January 9th Deputies & Communications Meeting

Importance: Normal

Got it

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Sent: Monday, January 6, 2020 1:29 PM

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I just sent a calendar appointment request.

We need to discuss, and hopefully decide:

Media leads from each agency, and lanes
News Releases & Media Advisories. When? Leads.
Ed Boards?
OpEds?
Talking Points & Qs and As
Social Media?

Thanks, Matt

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Sent: Monday, January 6, 2020 1:20 PM
To: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>; Coffey, Michael A <mcoffey@usbr.gov>;
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Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: FOLLOW UP MEDIA PLAN - January 9th Deputies & Communications Meeting

I think I could do 2pm pacific time tomorrow.

Dave

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From: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>
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I have some availability Tuesday morning (between 9-11), and at 2 (Pacific).

Thanks, Matt

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This is my first day back, and I am swamped, but I'm available tomorrow morning and after 3 pm MST tomorrow.

From: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Monday, January 6, 2020 1:52 PM
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Sorry, I have to leave at 3.

Re-adding MC: We need her, too.

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I have time 130 or 3. 3pm is probably better

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Michael, David:

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] January 9th Deputies & Communications Meeting

Privileged and Confidential

Good Afternoon All,

I'm writing to confirm that there will be a Deputies and Comms meeting on January 9th from 12:00-3:00PT in Portland. We will also have a WebEx, as I know that at least Beth will have to join remotely.

I've included NEPA Policy and Communications Directors so that they can attend as needed or desired. The intent of this meeting will be to get alignment on the DEIS phase of public outreach efforts. A draft outreach plan will be provided by the Comms Leads prior to the meeting.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any thoughts, concerns, or ideas on how to be efficient given everyone's heavy workloads.

Yours,
Emily

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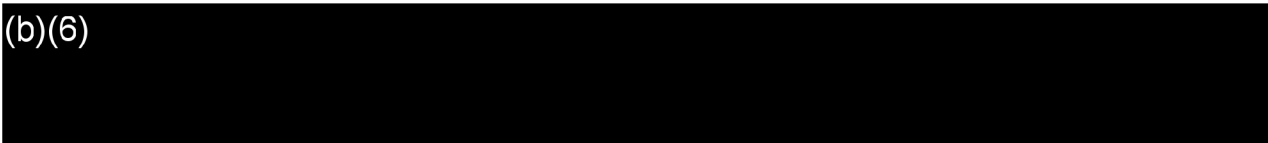
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Here is Matt's contact.

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Thank you,

Dave

David B. Wilson

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From: Kirk Siegler
Sent: Tue Jan 14 15:15:34 2020
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: couple follow ups
Importance: Normal

Sounds good, thank you!

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Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 3:14 PM
To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org>
Subject: RE: couple follow ups

Hi Kirk-

I need to refer you to Matt Rabe at the Corps. He is the lead media spokesperson at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Portland. He is also the lead spokesperson for the EIS.

Here is Matt's contact.

Matt Rabe

Director, Public Affairs

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: couple follow ups

Ok, thanks for this. And just so I'm clear, which federal agency is the lead on writing the EIS? And if I were to boil it down for a broad audience outside the PacNW, are we talking essentially the study is looking at the dams and their impact on the environment/fish and what the impacts would be if they did (or did not) breach them?

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To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org <mailto:KSiegler@npr.org>>
Subject: RE: couple follow ups

Hi Kirk-

I'm not a NEPA expert, however, my understanding is that there are several alternatives scientists/researchers consider when preparing the EIS. However, there will be one preferred alternative named in the draft EIS.

As of today, the **draft** EIS is schedule to be out to the public Feb 14, so just about one month from now. From that point on there is a 45 day public comment period with a series of public meetings that will occur across the region.

The final EIS is due out in June 2020 with the Record of Decision signed in Sept. 2020.

I will look for the presidential order from last year to send you.

Hope this helps,

Dave

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Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 12:06 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov <mailto:dbwilson@bpa.gov>>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] couple follow ups

Hi David,

Kieran mentioned on Friday on my question about the timeline for this that there are some relatively tight deadlines to get the EIS done due to court orders and a presidential order – any links to some of those you could send me for background reading would be helpful.

And when he says they're looking to get a "draft product" out by maybe mid February, did he mean the actual EIS with several alternatives listed on what to do with the dams?

Drop a line when you can – not extremely urgent but hoping to take a look at this today.

Thanks!

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To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org <<mailto:KSiegler@npr.org>>>
Subject: RE: Email Communication

Thanks for the interview this morning!

Please let me know if you have any more power related questions.

For questions concerning fish and Snake River Dams I suggest you call Michael Milstein at NOAA.

Dave

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Michael Milstein

Public Affairs Officer

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Email Communication

Yes, on for ten. What are the phone numbers? Our engineer needs to call and then conference in.

Thanks!

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Thank you,

Dave

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Subject: Media plan

Importance: Normal

Attachments: MediaPlan-CRISO-DEIS-2020.doc

This is the version we shared with the deputies on Jan. 9

Has more complete info than the one Dave sent a bit ago.

Maryam Habibi

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Subject: RE: 1/9 Deputies +Communications Meeting Materials

Good evening folks,

One additional document for tomorrow's discussion is attached: our media plan proposal. This plan has been reviewed, discussed and approved by Media leads for all three agencies.

See you tomorrow,

Maryam Habibi

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] 1/9 Deputies +Communications Meeting Materials

Good morning Deputies and Communications Team,

On Emily's behalf, attached is a proposed agenda and associated read-aheads for our meeting on Thursday, January 9 from 12:00-3:00 PT. We will meet at the Corps, 4th floor, Lewis and Clark C.

Amy Echols

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Updated invitation with note: Deputies+Comms Meeting @ Thu Jan 9, 2020 12pm - 3pm (PST) (amy.m.echols@usace.army.mil)

When: Thursday, January 9, 2020 12:00 PM-3:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

Where: USACE NWD, Lewis and Clark Room C

**This event has been changed with this note:
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Communications objective

- Inform local media (conventional and social) about the release of the draft EIS and the preferred alternative, as well as next steps in the process.
- Convey how the agencies throughfully considered the human/social, economic and ecological impacts of how the power system is operated.
- Communicate how the preferred alternative preserves the core benefits of the federal power system so it can continue to provide economic and social benefits for generations to come, while protecting fish and wildlife and sustaining cultural resources.
- Educate the public about the role and purpose of Federal Columbia River Power System. (The FCRPS, is managed by the Bonneville Power Administration and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation. The FCRPS is made up of 31 federal multipurpose dams in the Northwest. It generates affordable, reliable, renewable power for Northwest electric ratepayers; provides irrigation, navigation and recreation that supports the region's economy; and it reduces flood risk for many cities and communiities along the river system.)
- Ensure stakeholders, congressionals, media and other members of the public are informed about how they can participate in the CRSO EIS public process.

Media plan

Co-lead agencies U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and Bonneville Power Administration expect significant regional interest in the release of the draft EIS and a preferred alternative.

- All media inquiries should be directed to CRSO media representatives Matt Rabe (Corps), Michael Coffey (Reclamation) and Doug Johnson (BPA).
- Goal for same-day response time to new media inquiries, coordinating responses as appropriate.
- Media calls will be responded to by the agency that receives them, unless they need to refer to another agency's expertise.
- Agency media reps. will provide Communications Team with updates from relevant media interactions.
- Media Team will provide policy and executive teams with periodic updates and maintain media clips for the project record.

In advance of release day

- Paid notice in regional papers. Media team may conduct addition direct outreach to those papers prior to the public meetings.
- Advance outreach to media outlets prior to release. Inform imminent release and that we will offer editorial boards the week following release.
 - Oregonian/The Columbian, Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, Tri-City Herald, Spokesman Review, Idaho Statesman, Missoulian

Release day

- Issue joint news release.
- Phone-in news conference (day of release) to present key messages and take questions from media.
- Social media: Agencies may choose to promote availability of the draft EIS and open comment period.
 - Each agency would monitor their own social media channels.

At public meetings

- Press kits for public meetings
 - With media team contact information, website address and CRSO 800 number, copies of news releases and appropriate fact sheets.
- Media representatives from each agency to staff each of the public meetings for the draft EIS.
 - Media representatives will provide NEPA CRSO Team with analysis of key issues and concerns that arise through media and other public forums.

Product development

Product	Responsible party	Required review
Talking points	Joint messages – high level Agency specific messages will still be shared	
News release		
Media advisory		
Editorial boards		
Press kits		
Social media posts	BPA	
Website updates for media	Corps	
Paid ads for public meetings	BPA	
Fact sheet or similar highlights for the lay person	BPA	
Op Ed piece	Joint if possible	

Media outreach time line

Timing	Communication activity	Lead
Feb. 11, 2020	Media advisory Notice of news conference (phone) on Feb. 14	
Feb. 14, 2020	Draft EIS posted and released	
	News release posted	
	News conference	
	Social media posts	

Feb. 18	Editorial boards	
Feb. 19	Editorial boards	
Feb. 20	Editorial boards	
Feb. 14-March 2	Public notice ads in regional papers	
March 3	Portland public meeting Oregon Convention Center, 777 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	
March 4	Kennewick public meeting Red Lion Hotel, 1101 N. Columbia Center Blvd.	
March 5	Lewiston public meeting Red Lion Hotel, 621 21st Street	
March 10	Spokane public meeting DoubleTree City Center, 322 N. Spokane Falls Court	
March 11	Seattle public meeting Town Hall, 1119 8th Avenue	
March 12	Kalispell public meeting Red Lion, 20 N. Main Street	
March 30	Close of comment	

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7

Sent: Fri Jan 17 12:10:50 2020

To: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US); Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA)

Cc: Habibi,Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7

Subject: RE: CRSO holding statement?

Importance: Normal

Understood. I pinged you because the Corps is the lead agency.
But good catch.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>

Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 11:56 AM

To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>; Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>

Cc: Habibi,Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: CRSO holding statement?

FLAGGING...Reclamation is not in the chain.

Thanks, Matt

Matt Rabe

Director, Public Affairs

Northwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Chair, USACE Communication and Public Affairs Strategic Steering (COMPASS) Committee

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 [<mailto:dbwilson@bpa.gov>]

Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 11:33 AM

To: Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>; Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>

Cc: Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>

Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: CRSO holding statement?

Thanks Amy

Dave

-----Original Message-----

From: Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>

Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 11:30 AM

To: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>; Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>

Cc: Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: CRSO holding statement?

Our chat on this over time was something like:

We look forward to the input from the cooperating agencies and until such a time that we have considered their input and issued the DEIS for public review, we cannot confirm that document's content.

Amy Echols

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 [<mailto:dbwilson@bpa.gov>]

Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 9:43 AM

To: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>

Cc: Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>; Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>

Subject: [Non-DoD Source] CRSO holding statement?

Hi Matt-

Should we have a short statement prepared in case the contents of chapter 7 leak once the cooperating agencies receive it?

If so, what should the statement say. Dan J has asked us to be ready just in case we get questions.

Any thoughts on this?

Dave

David B. Wilson

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From: Scruggs,Joel L (BPA) - DK-7

Sent: Fri Jan 17 12:39:47 2020

To: Hansen,Michael S (BPA) - DKP-7; Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7; Johnson,G Douglas (TFE)(BPA) - TSE-TPP-2

Subject: FW: Timeline Stmt needed

Importance: High

Attachments: EIS Release Schedule DRAFT Key Mess 1.17.20.docx

Amy just sent this over.

Joel Scruggs
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-----Original Message-----

From: Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US) <J.Matt.Rabe@usace.army.mil>; Habibi,Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>; Erika Lopez <ealopez@usbr.gov>
Cc: Scruggs,Joel L (BPA) - DK-7 <jlscruggs@bpa.gov>; Coffey, Michael (Reclamation) <mcoffey@usbr.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Timeline Stmt needed
Importance: High

See attached. The DRAFT message re later-in-month release is right up top and the remainder is from last year's schedule change. Within the old content is all kinds of info; instead of revising, I've left for reference what we used well and was already vetted.

NOTE FROM DEPUTIES: Please don't use the words anywhere that we are "late" or "delayed" or "extended" - we are still meeting our commitment for end of February. CEQ knows is aware and from what I know didn't seem to be bothered as long as we meet the FEIS and ROD calendar commitments.

If want to review w your leadership at this point on this draft, that's OK with me (since it's not too complicated) but I would ask for edits back by 4 pm. If you all want different process, go for it. I'm on other calls through 2:30.
Happy Friday.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US)
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 11:59 AM
To: Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>; Erika Lopez <ealopez@usbr.gov>; Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Scruggs, Joel L (BPA) <jlscruggs@bpa.gov>; Coffey, Michael (Reclamation) <mcoffey@usbr.gov>
Subject: Timeline Stmt needed

All:

Beth told me this morning the timeline is shifting by two week. She wants some talking points and outreach options BEFORE we go outside with this information. No leaks.

Who's available?

Thanks, Matt

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Message Objective

Provide the latest messages and supporting information and references for consistent communication on the release schedule for the DEIS for use with members of Congress, cooperating agencies, states, tribes, key stakeholders, interest groups and the public.

Key Message

- **The co-lead agencies remain on schedule to issue the draft EIS for public review by the end of February 2020 ***
- If asked about change from February 14 release:
 - We are using this time to further refine the document's content and consider cooperating agencies' input.
 - We provided our best effort toward this mid-month date but a document of this importance and complexity deserves this attention.

BELOW: 2019 REVISED SCHEDULE KEY MESSAGES

Previous Fully Vetted, Exec Approved

Background

On October 19, 2018, a [memorandum from the President](#) that addressed streamlining federal agency decision-making and coordination on several water projects in the west, provided that the CRSO EIS co-lead agencies (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, Bonneville Power Administration), develop a schedule to complete the Columbia River System Operations Environmental Impact Statement and the associated Biological Opinion by 2020.

- Link to A Presidential Memorandum on Promoting the Reliable Supply and Delivery of Water in the West: www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-memorandum-promoting-reliable-supply-delivery-water-west

Key Messages

Schedule

- The CRSO EIS co-lead agencies coordinated an updated schedule with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) in December 2018
- This revised schedule provides for signing the Records of Decision (the final step under the National Environmental Policy Act [NEPA] process) in September 2020.
 - This step was previously scheduled for completion on or before September 2021.
- This schedule allows the co-lead agencies to meet the intent of the Memorandum and reflects commitments to CEQ: to produce an EIS earlier than originally planned and streamlines agency coordination and review, while also ensuring compliance with NEPA.

- * Specifically the co-lead agencies will:
 - Issue the draft EIS for public review no later than the end of February 2020 (previously, no later than March 27, 2020)
 - Issue the final EIS no later than June 2020 (previously, no later than March 26, 2021)
 - Sign Records of Decision (RODs) no later than September 30, 2020 (previously, no later than Sept. 24, 2021)

(Refer to updated “We Are Here” graphic)

Streamlining

- To maintain the integrity of the analysis of alternatives in the draft EIS and remain compliant with NEPA requirements, schedule compression is focused mostly on the time period between the completion of the draft EIS and signing the RODs.
- Key elements of time-savings within the established NEPA process, specifically include streamlining
 - for greater efficiencies in cross-agency coordination and reviews throughout the project and
 - coordination among federal and state agencies and tribes throughout the project.

Original schedule

- Originally, we based our five-year schedule on the co-lead Agencies’ experience with similarly complex NEPA processes. We considered this the time necessary to complete a comprehensive evaluation of a broad range of alternatives, analyze impacts to affected resources in the Columbia River Basin and provide sufficient public involvement opportunities.
 - This was an estimate prior to the beginning of the development of the EIS.
 - We have the discretion under the court order, within our expertise on the Columbia River System and under NEPA, to deliver the EIS milestones faster, as appropriate.

Progress toward goals

- We are confident that progress will continue toward the identification of a long-term strategy for the operation, configuration and maintenance of the Columbia River System that
 - complies with all applicable laws, including NEPA and the Endangered Species Act (ESA)
 - meets the revised schedule, and
 - considers input from the public obtained during the scoping period and draft EIS public comment period, as well as from Cooperating Agencies based on their special expertise and jurisdiction by law.
 - This input is contributing to the development of the draft EIS.
 - Cooperating agencies continue to work with us to help identify potential environmental impacts of the alternatives.

Agencies’ commitment continues

- We remain committed to developing and evaluating alternatives that best balance the multiple purposes of the 14 Columbia River System projects. We remain committed to an open, transparent and collaborative NEPA process as we implement the revised schedule and complete the EIS.
- Timely contributions from tribes, the public, and federal and state agencies will continue to inform this NEPA process under the revised completion schedule.

- We will meet all NEPA requirements for public comment.
- We will continue to consider the region’s concerns about potential impacts to the environment from changes to System operations.
 - The EIS will analyze tradeoffs of alternative system operations and the impacts of these different operations on affected resources, including ESA-listed species.
 - The [Summer 2018 newsletter](#) on the CRSO.info website outlines the alternative development process.

ESA/NEPA Integration (more in Q&A below)

- The co-lead agencies, in coordination with NOAA Fisheries and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have aligned this revised schedule with ongoing and concurrent ESA requirements.
- Our goal remains that this NEPA analysis and the ESA consultation processes be effectively integrated to ensure that both processes inform each other and benefit from interrelated schedules.
 - The framework for this integration is consistent with the ESA and NEPA regulations and ensures that the co-lead agencies’ decisions, as memorialized in their respective RODs, will be fully informed by products from the NEPA and ESA processes.

Questions & Answers

Do the co-lead agencies see advantages to this revised schedule?

The streamlined efforts may allow for earlier implementation of improvements to the Columbia River System.

How will the co-lead agencies address any disadvantages?

We are working with the EIS Cooperating Agencies, NOAA Fisheries, and USFWS to ensure the analysis and modeling is complete and thorough, in support of our responsibilities under both NEPA and the ESA.

How does the new schedule change the engagement for the Cooperating Agencies?

It will not change the ability to provide input. However, we ask for input to be timely.

What has been “cut” from the analysis or the timeline in order to meet the deadline?

We are not cutting the alternatives evaluation or impacts analysis, but we are specifically streamlining

- cross-agency coordination and review throughout the development of the EIS and
- coordination among federal and state agencies and tribes

How is a 45-day comment period adequate for this draft EIS?

NEPA regulations require a 45-day comment period on a draft EIS. Given the revised schedule, we do not anticipate additional time for public review.

- We will make our best efforts at providing a draft EIS that is clear and consolidated.
- We will review comments as they come in during the comment period.

- We will continue to provide information to help the public build their understanding of the NEPA process and track our process as we develop the draft EIS. You will find this information on the project's web site at www.crsi.info.

Input from the scoping period and from the Cooperating Agencies based on their special expertise and jurisdiction by law already has contributed to the development of the draft EIS. They also are working with us to identify potential environmental impacts of the alternatives.

Public comments on the draft EIS will be officially solicited through the Federal Register, according to NEPA requirements. Notice of comment opportunities also will be provided to the project mailing list and others through additional outreach.

Will the public get to see the details of the alternatives and the modeling that will take place?

This information is part of the draft EIS which is scheduled for release in Feb. 2020.

Will there still be a comment period after the draft EIS is released? Will there be other review opportunities?

The NEPA process provides a public comment opportunity upon release of the draft EIS and we may schedule opportunities for the public to discuss the draft.

How does this revised schedule affect the recent Flexible Spill Agreement?

The Flexible Spill agreement covers operations in 2019 and 2020. An analysis of flexible spill operations will be included in the draft EIS and would inform the decision of whether or not to include flexible spill operations in the preferred alternative.

How does this revised schedule affect the Accords extension?

The federal Action Agencies will work with the Accord partners to determine the next steps given the change in the EIS schedule.

Will the alternatives still consider breaching the lower Snake River dams?

Yes. The range of alternatives includes breaching the lower Snake River dams.

Why don't you just use the 2002 EIS?

This NEPA process is analyzing a system that has undergone many changes, including changes to natural conditions and structural and operational changes, since the completion of previous NEPA documents, including the 2002 Study and EIS. This current EIS will use the most current science and data available in order to evaluate the benefits and impacts of breaching the lower Snake River dams.

Will this expedited schedule reduce the cost of the EIS?

This is unknown at this time as we are adjusting schedule details and aligning resources to meet the revised schedule.

Will the EIS inform the NOAA Fisheries and USFWS BiOps?

The EIS, together with the development of biological assessments and the consultation process with NOAA Fisheries and USFWS, will inform the actions taken for ESA-listed species through the BiOps.

Will the EIS still consider current Treaty-related operations?

The current operations of the U.S. system, including current Treaty-related operations, are still included in this EIS analysis.

If U.S. operations are modified in response to Treaty arrangements made after the completion of this EIS and those modifications result in significant changes, those changes will be reviewed to identify any need to address these changes through supplementation of this EIS or in another NEPA process.

Why are we doing an EIS? Remind us why we're doing this...

To identify potential alternatives to current operations, configuration and maintenance that:

- Inform future decisions on a flexible approach to provide for multiple Congressionally authorized purposes and our resource, legal, and institutional purposes.
- Minimize or eliminate environmental impacts.
- Meet all federal statutory and regulatory requirements and responds to the U.S. District Court District of Oregon's (District Court) May 2016 Opinion and Order.

Do the EIS objectives remain the same?

Yes. The key EIS objectives remain:

- Improve ESA-listed anadromous salmonid juvenile fish rearing, passage, and survival within the CRSO project area, through actions including but not limited to project configuration, flow management, spill operations, and water quality management.
- Improve ESA-listed anadromous salmonid adult fish migration within the CRSO project area, through actions including but not limited to project configuration, flow management, spill operations, and water quality management.
- Improve ESA-listed resident fish survival and spawning success at CRSO projects through actions including but not limited to, project configuration, flow management, improving connectivity, project operations, and water quality management.
- Provide an adequate, efficient, economical and reliable power supply that supports the integrated CR Power System.
- Minimize greenhouse gas emissions from power production in the Northwest by generating carbon-free power through a combination of hydropower and integration of other renewable energy sources.
- Maximize operating flexibility by implementing updated, adaptable water management strategies to be responsive to changing conditions, including hydrology, climate, and the environment.
- Meet existing contractual water supply obligations and provide for authorized additional regional water supply.

What is the process for notifying the court and what happens if the court doesn't accept it?

The schedule is consistent with the dates set in the District Court's Order of Remand that indicated the EIS should be completed with Records of Decision no later than September 2021, so there is no requirement to notify the District Court.

From: Warner, Joshua P (BPA) - DIR-7
Sent: Wed Jan 22 08:45:54 2020
To: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7; Hansen, Michael S (BPA) - DKP-7
Subject: FW: NPR - Submit a correction (Ref. 01302432)
Importance: High

FYI on this below.

Josh

Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 8:35 AM
To: Warner, Joshua P (BPA) - DIR-7 <jpwarner@bpa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: NPR - Submit a correction (Ref. 01302432)
Importance: High

Josh,

Please have Kiernan Connolly immediately correct the NPR story that suggests only “tens of millions of dollars” have been spent "on mitigation".

If I add this up correctly, ten millions dollars is around nine days of mitigation.

This story is popping up as a lead story on Google News this morning, and a quick correction would be a prudent action if BPA is truly to “consider ourselves salmon advocates.”

Best Regards,

Scott Levy

bluefish.org <<http://bluefish.org>>

promoting an open and honest dialogue concerning the plight of Idaho’s wild Salmon and Steelhead.

Begin forwarded message:

From: NPR Audience Relations <feedback@npr.org <mailto:feedback@npr.org>>

Subject: RE: NPR - Submit a correction (Ref. 01302432)

Date: January 22, 2020 at 9:28:17 AM MST

Reply-To: npr_response@npr.org <mailto:npr_response@npr.org>

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RE: NPR - Submit a correction (Ref. 01302432)

NPR | 1/22/2020

Dear Scott,

Thank you for contacting NPR.

This is an automated response confirming that your message has been received by the NPR staff who research corrections.

As the primary news source for millions of Americans, NPR takes its responsibility to be accurate very seriously. If you would like to view past corrections, you can do so at [npr.org](http://www.npr.org/templates/corrections/corrections.php) <<http://www.npr.org/templates/corrections/corrections.php>>.

Sincerely,

NPR Audience Relations

This message was sent to redfishbluefishfilm@gmail.com <<mailto:redfishbluefishfilm@gmail.com>> in reference to Case # 01302432 and ref: _00D80abLJ._5000h1eYJMy:ref.

From: Kirk Siegler

Sent: Thu Jan 23 19:53:32 2020

To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: BPA Fish and Wildlife spending facts

Importance: Normal

Ok will consider. I was interested (am interested) in that angle and actually mentioned it in a draft of a piece (the tension around WA going off carbon fuels & the need to rely on hydropower) but we took it out for time. My editors actually had me change the hundreds of millions - we got some letters too. Hopefully this story will actually AIR soon - which will give it a far bigger audience. DC is all impeachment right now so it has been hard to get producers to put it on this week. Talk to you soon and have a good night

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 23, 2020, at 12:42 PM, Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for the email Kirk. I think it's more accurate to say hundreds of millions.

However, I wasn't lobbying for you to change it. I was just letting you know there was discomfort by some around how it was characterized.

BPA ratepayers shell out most of the money for the restoration effort in the Northwest.

Really, it's billions of dollars over the past 40 years.

Somewhat interesting, the people who notified me that the number was too low in your story were all BPA critics. J

Not folks from BPA.

Another story you might explore, is the region's effort to decarbonize and the importance of that, while at the same time,

analyzing Snake River dam removal. The dams are of course a non-carbon emitting power source. This is happening as Washington and others, take coal plants off-line which

will undoubtedly place a greater burden on Columbia and Snake hydropower projects.

We recognize the dams impact on fish, but they are equipped with the best fish passage technology in the world,

successfully passing 95 percent at all eight facilities on the lower Snake and Columbia. There is a lot of competing science on

how much good it would do for fish to breach them. In other words, how many more fish it would it actually bring back?

Would it be worth it? Of course there is an EIS that is looking into this.

You can always talk to Michael Milstein at NOAA's office in Portland for more on the science of dam removal and what it would mean for fish.

BPA is a non-profit, tasked with bringing low-cost energy at wholesale prices to public power companies across the west.

If the region as a whole decided it really wanted to remove dams, then it would need to clearly understand what's at stake.

We need reporters like you to outline those tradeoffs so people across the west can make informed decisions about their futures.

Thanks for doing the story.

Dave

From: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 8:03 PM
To: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: BPA Fish and Wildlife spending facts

Just an update here – we are actually changing it to ‘hundreds of millions’ – I should have waited on the email. Thanks and have a good night

<image001.jpg>

Kirk Siegler | Correspondent, National Desk | 310-815-4280 [@KSiegler](#)

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 2:55 PM

To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org>

Subject: BPA Fish and Wildlife spending facts

Hi Kirk-

Here is a link to a fairly recent fact sheet on BPA’s spending on the Fish and Wildlife.

<https://www.bpa.gov/news/pubs/FactSheets/fs-201901-BPA-invests-in-fish-and-wildlife.pdf>

Pay special attention to the top line of page 2. That's our direct program costs. That's the number most people refer to when talking about how much electric ratepayers spend 'on the ground' annually.

The other numbers on other lines include things like debt service and or foregone revenues. That's probably too far in the weeds for your listeners.

Safe to say, right now I think BPA spends about 250 million annually on fish and wildlife. Much of that is on mitigation for ESA listed species such as salmon and steelhead.

If you have any more questions or ever want to bounce stuff off me on background, feel free to contact me.

Dave

David B. Wilson

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From: Coffey, Michael A

Sent: Fri Jan 24 13:21:01 2020

To: maasgharian@bpa.gov; Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US); Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA); Lopez, Erika A; Lawrence, Aaron S CIV USARMY CENWS (USA)

Cc: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7; Helwig,Heidi Y (BPA) - DKE-7; Woodworth, Kathrine M; Johnston,Kenneth H (BPA) - DIT-7; Inglis, Junior L (J. R.) CIV USARMY CENWD (USA)

Bcc: hyhelwig@bpa.gov; maasgharian@bpa.gov

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: CRSO EIS Communication Team

Importance: Normal

We also have a deep bench to support.

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*So when your eulogy is being read, With your life's actions to rehash, Would you be proud of the things they say,
About how you spent your dash? --Linda Ellis*

From: Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7 <maasgharian@bpa.gov>

Sent: Friday, January 24, 2020 2:12 PM

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: CRSO EIS Communication Team

Yes, I'm aware of the scheduling conflicts. Fortunately, we will have staff support from PNNL and BPA will have several folks that are available to support the meetings. With Doug Johnson back on the BPA media team, we would also be well equipped to direct media traffic and support our co-lead agencies.

Regards,

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Maryam,

Thank you for this and all the hard work that went into rescheduling this monster.

As a reminder, the Corps' PA cadre is scheduled to be outside the region from 16-20 March for the USACE PA Workshop. And, I am (as I am sure Amy is, too) scheduled for leave the week of 23 March (Oregon Spring Break). And, the Corps' Seattle PA Chief retires that same week of 23 March (the cake is already ordered).

There is no doubt in my mind few workable options (as you would've already run through these based on my previous input), but...

Thanks, Matt

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: CRSO EIS Communication Team

Alright folks, I think I'm pretty close to getting all these public meetings rescheduled.

Here is the tentative schedule.

March 17 - Lewiston
March 18 - Kennewick
March 19 - Seattle

March 24 - Portland
March 25 - Spokane

March 26 - Kalispell

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] CRSO EIS Communication Team

When: Monday, January 27, 2020 12:30 PM-2:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

Where: Conference calls/WebEx/NWD Yellowstone Rm

Updating to add regular conference room (4th floor NWD)

Website: Blocked <https://usace.webex.com/meet/NWDOutreach>

Meeting Number: 877-873-8017

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From: Helen Jung
Sent: Wed Feb 12 13:34:53 2020
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Columbia and Snake Rivers Environmental Impact Statement
Importance: Normal
Attachments: image001.png; image002.jpg; image003.jpg; image004.jpg; image005.jpg; image006.jpg; image007.jpg

Hi David,

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Thanks,
Helen



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From: "Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7" <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:04 PM
To: Therese Bottomly <tbottomly@oregonian.com>, Laura Gunderson <lgunderson@oregonian.com>, Helen Jung <hjung@oregonian.com>, Amy Wang <awang@oregonian.com>
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Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 4:43 PM
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Hi Helen-

Thank you for the follow up. Yes, we would be very interested in an op-ed and will definitely send you materials once the draft is released on the 28th.

We want as much public participation as possible in the EIS public meetings. One meeting will be in Portland.

I don't know if you've followed much of the EIS process over the past 42 months, but I would argue that it may be one of the biggest regional efforts of our time with potentially far reaching implications.

The CRSO EIS is looking at the future operations of 14 of the largest hydropower producers on the Columbia and Snake rivers. It's analyzing dam breaching, impacts on endangered salmon/steelhead, socioeconomic implications for farmers, Native American Tribes, tugboat operators, fishing guides ect. Not to mention climate change impacts and how the region can decarbonize by shutting down coal and gas plants, yet still have inexpensive carbon free hydropower, salmon and a healthy environment. In a nutshell, the EIS looks at all of the needs of the river system and tries to balance the many tradeoffs, not an easy task.

Again, we think this is very important for the region and would welcome the chance to get the word out in the Oregonian.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thanks again for your time,

Dave

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Hi Joe-

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Thank you,

Dave

From: Joe Palmquist <JoeP@SPOKESMAN.com>
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To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Editorial Board visit to discuss Columbia and Snake rivers Environmental Impact Statement draft

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Cc: Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7; Erika Lopez; Kenney, Sean C (SKenney@usbr.gov); Saxon, Joseph B CIV USARMY CENWW (USA)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Media Team Coordination on Dam Breaching Messaging and DEIS
Importance: Normal
Attachments: 02.11.20_Inslee letter _Orca restoration.pdf; CRSO EIS Pref Altern Summary + Release Plan 2.8.20.docx

Hi team,

We are within weeks of issuing the DEIS and we know dam removal discord will again shake the region. Following Governor Brown's letter to Gov. Inslee this week, this discord may reach a new political level. See BPA and Corps prepared response to this letter below.

I am asking here that the DEIS media leads catch up with Michael and Jason, to check on lanes and roles like we did in 2018, to handle media and stakeholder inquiries on species status and relationship to killer whale populations. I want to support "no surprises" and full team alignment and preparedness where we can.

Attached is a briefing sheet we provided to the PNW Congressional delegation last week on the Preferred Alternative (please don't circulate outside agencies at this time). This will give you a good heads up. The back side has just a high level summary of release and outreach actions (please keep this internal too; more details in other docs). We are including some content from NOAA's 2016 and 2018 killer whale fact sheets in our talking points. We will share other outreach content ASAP and welcome anyone to join our DEIS release planning discussions so you know what we're doing.

Thanks to all for consideration.

Amy Echols
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From: Rabe, James M (Matt) CIV USARMY CENWD (US)
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2020 1:56 PM
Subject: Gov Brown letter to Gov Inslee - Snake River Dam Breaching

BPA has learned that today, Oregon Governor Kate Brown sent a letter (see attached) to Washington Governor Jay Inslee that states her position that breaching the Snake River Dams is

the best solution for helping salmon, steelhead, etc.

BPA Stmt: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and Bonneville Power Administration are on track to release the draft Columbia River System Operation Environmental Impact Statement, which we expect to bring greater clarity around how the operations of the Columbia River system can achieve the right balance of all of the region's needs and interests. This includes growing populations of salmon for future generations and continuing to provide reliable, affordable and clean electric power and economic vitality to the many communities that depend on the river system for their livelihoods. BPA hopes this process can serve as a springboard to the conversation beyond the EIS process.

Corps Statement (pulled from CRSO talking points docs): The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and Bonneville Power Administration are on track to release the draft Columbia River System Operation Environmental Impact Statement, which we expect to bring greater clarity around how the operations of the Columbia River system can achieve the right balance of all of the region's needs and interests. The document will be published in the Federal Register by the end of February. It, along with a host of other materials, will be available on www.crso.info

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Sent: Tue Feb 18 09:04:14 2020
To: 'Sherry McClain'
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft
Importance: Normal

Hi Sherry-

I think the 12th works well. Let me see what time we can get up there.
Not sure if we can make it by 10 am, but will let you know either way today.

Dave

From: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 1:03 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Yes, we can make that work. Do you have a preference for either day? The 12th at 10 or at 2 pm would be better for the editorial board.

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 [mailto:dbwilson@bpa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 1:00 PM
To: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hi Sherry-

Could we do later that week? Either Wednesday the 11th or Thursday the 12th instead? Same times?

Thanks for your time on this,

Dave

From: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:20 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hello,
How about Tuesday, March 10 at 11 am or 2:30 pm? If that date/time won't work, please let me know, and I'll happily provide more day and times options.
Thank you
Sherry

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Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:56 PM
To: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Cc: Mark Higgins <mhiggins@seattletimes.com>; Kate Riley <KateRiley@seattletimes.com>
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hi Sherry-

In regards to a Seattle Times Ed Board meeting with BPA and the Corps of Engineers on the CRSO EIS, we are hoping to meet sometime during the first two weeks of March before the public meetings begin on the EIS.

Does that timeframe work for the paper?

If so, I can look at calendars to see what might work for our leaders. Are there any days of the week and times that typically work best?

Thank you,

David Wilson BPA

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Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:08 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Cc: Mark Higgins <mhiggins@seattletimes.com>; Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Yes, of course. I'm including Sherry McClain, who can help us set this up.

Please send her some times that would work. We don't meet in Fridays.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 11, 2020, at 3:48 PM, Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov> wrote:

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Hello

The meetings last for 1 hour. Yes, we like to keep the attendees to 4 people.

Thank you

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Hi Sherry-

So we are all set for Thursday, March 12 at 10 am.

How long do the Seattle Times Ed Boards normally last?

I'm assuming no more than 90 min?

Also, did you say the paper's preference is to have no more than four people present?

Thank you,

Dave

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 9:04 AM
To: 'Sherry McClain' <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hi Sherry-

I think the 12th works well. Let me see what time we can get up there.

Not sure if we can make it by 10 am, but will let you know either way today.

Dave

From: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 1:03 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Yes, we can make that work. Do you have a preference for either day? The 12th at 10 or at 2 pm would be better for the editorial board.

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 [mailto:dbwilson@bpa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 1:00 PM
To: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hi Sherry-

Could we do later that week? Either Wednesday the 11th or Thursday the 12th instead? Same times?

Thanks for your time on this,

Dave

From: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 3:20 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hello,

How about Tuesday, March 10 at 11 am or 2:30 pm? If that date/time won't work, please let me know, and I'll happily provide more day and times options.

Thank you

Sherry

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 [mailto:dbwilson@bpa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:56 PM
To: Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>
Cc: Mark Higgins <mhiggins@seattletimes.com>; Kate Riley <KateRiley@seattletimes.com>
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Hi Sherry-

In regards to a Seattle Times Ed Board meeting with BPA and the Corps of Engineers on the CRSO EIS, we are hoping to meet sometime during the first two weeks of March before the public meetings begin on the EIS.

Does that timeframe work for the paper?

If so, I can look at calendars to see what might work for our leaders. Are there any days of the week and times that typically work best?

Thank you,

David Wilson BPA

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From: Kate Riley <>

Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 2:08 PM

To: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>

Cc: Mark Higgins <mhiggins@seattletimes.com>; Sherry McClain <smcclain@seattletimes.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Columbia and Snake rivers environmental impact statement draft

Yes, of course. I'm including Sherry McClain, who can help us set this up.

Please send her some times that would work. We don't meet in Fridays.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 11, 2020, at 3:48 PM, Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov> wrote:

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From: Jeffrey Mize
Sent: Mon Feb 24 11:19:13 2020
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Columbia and Snake Rivers (draft) Environmental Impact Statement out Feb 28
Importance: Normal
Attachments: image001.jpg; image002.jpg; image003.jpg; image004.jpg; image005.jpg; image006.jpg; image007.png; image008.png; image009.png; image010.png; image011.png; image012.png; image013.png; image014.png; image015.png; image016.png; image017.png; image018.png; image019.png; image020.png; image021.png; image022.png

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Thanks

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Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 11:49:58 AM
To: Jeffrey Mize <jeffrey.mize@columbian.com>
Subject: RE: Columbia and Snake Rivers (draft) Environmental Impact Statement out Feb 28

We are planning for the release to happen sometime between 9 am and noon
Best I can do on a time at this point.
By the way the release kicks off an 45 day public comment period that will include several public meetings.
They begin sometime in the middle of March so we are hoping the Ed Board might see us before then.

Thank you for your interest

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From: Perry, Marcus I (BPA) - PSW-SEATTLE
Sent: Thu Feb 27 10:48:04 2020
To: Johnson, G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7; Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Subject: RE: SEATTLE TIME - Lynda Mapes story_Snohomish Questions
Importance: Normal

I think that will work. I'll direct them to you, Doug. I seriously appreciate the help!

-Marcus

From: Johnson, G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7 <gdjohnson@bpa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 10:37 AM
To: Perry, Marcus I (BPA) - PSW-SEATTLE <miperry@bpa.gov>; Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: SEATTLE TIME - Lynda Mapes story_Snohomish Questions

Honestly, please refer SnoPod's public affairs person directly to us and we'll take it from here. It's more difficult trying to do it this way. Do you think they'd be comfortable with that?

From: Perry, Marcus I (BPA) - PSW-SEATTLE <miperry@bpa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 10:23 AM
To: Johnson, G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7 <gdjohnson@bpa.gov>; Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: SEATTLE TIME - Lynda Mapes story_Snohomish Questions

Doug/David,

I know you guys are swamped gearing up for tomorrow and I don't want to be a pest on this, but I feel I need to be responsive to the customer. I took a crack at answering the questions. Are these reasonable answers?

1. **1. What has that \$17 billion gone towards (fish and wildlife types of costs – I have each year by category is all, including fish accords)**

BPA implements biologically sound and cost-effective measures to restore habitat, protect land and water, improve passage at the dams and operate state-of-the-art salmon and steelhead hatcheries. Bonneville's fish and wildlife program has opened up miles of stream habitat and restored acres of riparian habitat. Fish ladders, spillway weirs for surface passage, innovative turbine design all contribute to Bonneville's mitigation activities that support wild and hatchery fish, which are returning to many of our rivers and streams where they haven't been seen in decades.

1. **2. How much did this study (the one being released Friday) cost? And where did the money come from? Corp, Bureau and BPA costs please?**

Total study costs are approaching around \$40 million to date with the largest portion of costs attributed to BPA

1. 3. **How is the BPA doing a study on their own dams? Won't it be strange if they recommend the removal of their own dams?**

We're adhering to the NEPA process and evaluating various reasonable alternatives to meet the multiple purposes of the projects and in consideration of additional improvements to other uses of the projects (fish migration, recreation, navigation, irrigation, etc.).

Q1: I cherry picked and combined generic responses from previous talking points on the Lower Snakes and what I found in the Citizen's Guide Comprehensive Evaluation from 2016.

Q2: The \$40 mil in total cost I remember hearing, but can't back that up anywhere so please confirm that number.

Q3: Pretty generic but seems in line with the CRSO website communication.

-Marcus

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Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 8:08 AM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Cc: Perry,Marcus I (BPA) - PSW-SEATTLE <miperry@bpa.gov>
Subject: FW: SEATTLE TIME - Lynda Mapes story

Dave,

Do we have something that addresses Marcus' first question?

From: Perry,Marcus I (BPA) - PSW-SEATTLE <miperry@bpa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 7:50 AM
To: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7 <gdjohnson@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: SEATTLE TIME - Lynda Mapes story

Thanks, Doug. This will help moving forward...however some of the questions sent yesterday are pretty explicit (i.e. cost of the study and inventory of funded dam projects). I'd like to offer a "BPA Approved" response to these if we have them. I don't want to provide an response that gets ahead of or conflicts with the release. Can you give me a ring this morning when you get a chance?

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See below. Just want you guys in the loop as all of the swirl starts. It also gives me the opportunity to share with you some language we've developed to push back on the false narrative that we are circling the drain financially. SHORT STORY: Struggling is over. Cost discipline has taken hold – cost curve bent.

Marcus, some of this might be helpful as you and Snohomish work with the Everett Herald.

From: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7
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THANKS to Kevin Wingert for finding this early this morning. Highlighted parts one not good – one at the bottom good. Not wild about the headline. I've already sent this email to Lynda and included Hal Bernton because he is helping write the post draft EIS story:

THANK YOU! - and as always some push back

I appreciate you using the updated version of our statement. Thank you – very helpful to me.

Of course, along with the good come the things we need to adjust. Your story says this:

The Bonneville Power Administration, which sells power from the dams, is struggling to maintain financial stability and remain competitive in changing Western energy markets. Years of surging expenses have led the

agency to raise rates it charges the region's utilities, which pass higher costs on to ratepayers.

This is a more accurate characterization of our financial situation:

It's important to remember that public discourse on the future of the power system must be built on a firm foundation of accurate information and analysis. BPA has bolstered its financial strength. That strength was demonstrated in the period leading up to our current rate period when we trimmed \$66 million of costs allowing us to hold rates flat for the first time in more than a decade. Considering that between 2008 and 2018 BPA's wholesale power rate increased on average about 3.6 percent per year, this clearly demonstrates the financial discipline to bend the cost curve in an effort to better serve our public utility customers across the Northwest.

For first time in 20 years, feds take deep look at hydrodam removal on Lower Snake River

By

[Lynda V. Mapes](#)

Seattle Times environment reporter

The futures of hydropower, salmon and orcas in the Pacific Northwest are at stake in the first assessment in 20 years of the environmental effects of dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers.

Federal agencies are set to release a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) of dam operations on Friday, opening a [45-day public comment period](#). On the table will be a range of alternatives for operation of 14 dams in the federal [Columbia River hydropower system](#), including a preferred alternative.

The review was [required by a federal judge in 2016](#), and must, among other things, assess dam removal on the Lower Snake.

It's the first new look at river operations across the entire Columbia Basin since new challenges have emerged for endangered species and the region's power grid.

A warming climate has made both ocean conditions and the freshwater river environment tougher for salmon. Another endangered species has also been listed since the last EIS: the endangered southern resident orcas that frequent Puget Sound.

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GRAPHIC ENTITLED, Salmon, orcas, dams at center of federal review of hydropower system

Southern residents rely on salmon from the Columbia and Snake rivers as a critical food source, and were listed as endangered in 2005. They are [headed to extinction](#) in part because they do not regularly get enough salmon to eat. Orca and salmon scientists in a letter to the region's governors and congressional delegation on Feb. 20 said [a review of the science](#) shows dam removal is the best chance for recovering Columbia and Snake salmon.

The four Lower Snake River dams were the last dams built in the federal Columbia hydropower system. Completed in the 1970s, they together provide about 5% of the region's electricity, enough to power a city about the size of Seattle.

Growers also draw water from behind one of the dams to water some of the largest orchards and vineyards in the Northwest. In addition, locks built at the dams extend a navigable waterway all the way to Lewiston, Idaho, 465 miles from the Pacific Ocean. Barge transportation via the waterway is more efficient and less polluting than trucks or rail.

Most flood control is provided by the large storage dams in the Upper Columbia on both sides of the U.S.-Canada border and in Idaho.

The stakes are high as the region considers the best options for dam operations. For the first time in recent years, the possibility of power shortages has developed as coal plants have unplugged. Managing the surge of wind and solar power on the grid today relies on hydropower dams like the ones on the Columbia and Snake rivers to quickly balance delivery of energy through the system as demand fluctuates. To fight climate change, the region also is looking for more carbon-free energy sources, not fewer.

In its review of the last EIS in 2000, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration called breaching the four dams on the Lower Snake the most reliable path toward salmon recovery and survival. The agency is in charge of both salmon and orca recovery.

“By reducing the effects of one type of human activity, breaching the four Lower Snake River dams would provide more certainty of long-term survival and recovery than would other measures,” the agency found — but stopped short of requiring breaching.

More than a dozen salmon runs remain at risk of extinction since then; not a single run has recovered. The region is facing another poor chinook season this year after a string of better years, [especially 2015](#), that raised hopes. Long term, recovery rates have remained far below recommended targets to beat extinction. The population of southern resident orcas has declined to 72 whales.

This EIS marks the sixth time federal agencies will try to come up with an operations plan that meets the requirements of the Endangered Species Act to protect salmon. Each time in the past, the state of Oregon, the Nez Perce Tribe and multiple fishing and conservation interests have won legal challenges to the agencies' plans.

Some are ready for a new approach.

“There is a fundamental question of whether the EIS can deliver the kind of broader solution the region needs,” said Todd True, an attorney with Earthjustice who represents plaintiffs in the long-running court battle to save Columbia and Snake salmon. People across the region are going to have to dig in and problem solve, True said. “At this point, multiple paths are needed and it will take some political leadership to forge a package that will get people on board.”

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown said in a letter to Washington Gov. Jay Inslee on Feb. 11 that dam removal on the Lower Snake would be the best boost for salmon in the river to provide more food for orcas. She also called for a process to determine solutions to minimize economic harm from changes in dam operations.

Even that mild letter brought sharp disagreement from river users.

Kurt Miller of [Northwest River Partners](#), which represents ports, utilities, industries, shippers and other dam users, said it's time to agree to disagree about the dams and move on to other solutions.

His group is looking to partner wherever there is common ground, Miller said, but dam removal is a non-starter.

“We are very clear that we believe the Lower Snake River dams are essential to the region achieving its clean-energy goals in a fair and equitable way,” he said. “We believe there are other ways to help salmon without removing this critical infrastructure.”

Changes intended to benefit salmon have already been made in the hydropower system since the last EIS, including hundreds of millions of dollars worth of retrofits to the dams to help fish passage. A big change in

river operations also was initiated last year in a so-called flexible spill agreement, intended to help salmon while keeping dams in place and boosting power revenues.

The spill agreement through 2021 calls for spilling water over the dams, bypassing generators, to benefit fish when electricity prices are low.

The agreement “demonstrates a spirit of collaboration and cooperation among people and organizations with diverse opinions,” the BPA and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers stated in a joint statement. Implemented in 2019, the program is a “promising start,” the agencies said, but evaluating its success will require more time.

The review is being done by the Corps, the BPA and the Bureau of Reclamation. Their final EIS and record of decision is due in September. At that time, NOAA will determine in a biological opinion if the agencies’ preferred alternative for dam operations complies with the Endangered Species Act and adequately protects listed species, including orcas and salmon.

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Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2020 8:22 AM
To: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5; Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5; Renner,Marcella P (BPA) - E-4
Subject: RE: RE: CRSO PP

Thanks Jason, looks good! I think we're almost there...

Birgit,

Can you check slide 29 to see if I got the ranges for rate sensitivity right? Did not have time to shade the graph, but described ranges in table beneath...thanks and once you bless it, please reply all so Marcella can send that version to PPC.

MARCELLA

I would save the last version Birgit sends as PDF and send it as such, tomorrow on dry run with Scott they can review notes section on their printed copies. My thoughts....

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On Mar 3, 2020 8:12 AM, "Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5" wrote:

Here are my added slides. The actual fish results are paired up for each species...the first slide just has the original MO's and the NAA. The 2nd slide in each set includes the PA. I set them up that way to aid my presentation but it leads to duplicative material if these were printed for handouts. Feel free to delete slides 15, 17, 19, and 21 if you want to streamline the package but I would like to keep the slides in a version that will actually be displayed on a screen in the meeting room. Also, feel free to delete the first slide I added with all the species information...I am using that slide today for a more technical audience and my plan for tomorrow at PCC was just to hit that slide in about 10 seconds to show the group how many other species were considered.

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Rodrigo,

Thanks for your hard work last night. Doesn't sound like you got a lot of sleep.

I will review the slides this after the 8 am meeting this morning and see if Jason gets a chance to chime in, then work with Marcella to finalize the slide deck we will send.

Birgit

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 11:48 PM
To: Renner,Marcella P (BPA) - E-4 <mprenner@bpa.gov>
Cc: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>; Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: RE: CRSO PP
Importance: High

Marcella,

At this point, I made all the edits (possible) and we have 3 versions between your emails:

- A revised version that is the EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, 03.03.20, that we can call “SLIM” ...It has very little data and mostly POWER data.
- A FULL ‘OLD’ version with updated slides and edits made by **Birgit** with the POWER SLIDES updated and aligned.
- A FULL ‘OLD’ version with updated slides and edits made by **Jason** with the POWER SLIDES updated and aligned + his own slides he added.

I will call and coordinate with Jason and Birgit tomorrow AM, since I will be on my way to Salem around 6am. Though you have been copied on all 3 versions, they may decide to “sandwich” some FISH slides into the SLIM/EXEC summary version and/or go with the FULL OLD deck updated with POWER data. Let’s get their input early morning and decide, so you can send off the FINAL version to PPC.

Talk soon since it’s pretty much midnight and will wake up at 5 ;0)

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From: Renner, Marcella P (BPA) - E-4 <mprenner@bpa.gov>

Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 11:47 AM

To: George, Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>

Subject: RE: RE: CRSO PP

ACK Rodrigo- I need this today, tomorrow morning at the latest...., remember? I have to give it to PPC for a Wednesday presentation. They have to get in in their packet.

Thanks,

Marcella P. Renner

Xt. 5136

From: George, Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>

Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 10:57 AM

To: Renner, Marcella P (BPA) - E-4 <mprenner@bpa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: RE: CRSO PP

FYI, tracking emails and working directly with Birgit on changes. I'll send you and Scott an updated version as soon as I have it in the next 2 days....happy monday!!!

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From: "Koehler, Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5" <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>

Date: Mar 2, 2020 10:48 AM

Subject: RE: CRSO PP

To: "George, Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4" <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>

Cc: "Sweet, Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5" <jcsweet@bpa.gov>

Rodrigo,

Shoot, I see that you are out of the office this week. Good that you have that training, but hmm, now I’m wishing I had worked with you more last week to get the powerpoint tuned up.... Update, I just spoke with Marcella who said you were waiting for my feedback. Here you go. I’ve also tried to make most of these changes myself, not knowing that you might be working. So I’m also attaching my copy.

On the executive summary, slides 5 and 7 list the same objectives, once because they are the objectives for the analysis and once because the PA meets them.

Slide 12, I had been using the term “Council standard” but our attorneys reminded me that “Council target” is a better term, because the 5% not enforceable.

Slide 13, we need to add 1275 MW battery to MO3, and correct MO3 solar is 2,550 (not 2,250—that’s a typo we had in our docs as well.)

Slide 16. For the graph on the left, the PA isn’t 0% to 2.75%. It’s just at 2.7%. Similar for MO2, it’s just at -0.8%. Your numbers show the correct, value, but the bars looks like they are a range. And I’m thinking about this, but haven’t reached a conclusion. On the right side, do we want to only show the zero-carbon perhaps? Or show the zero-carbon case in solid color and the gas range in light hashed bars?

And the lower table needs to be labeled with “base case” or slide to the right so it is only under the base-case table.

Slides 18 and 19 on annual social welfare Effects for power. I'd suggest combining them into a single slide or even omitting from the Exec summary version. Further, we should say in the title that these are just the power values. Slides 20-21, we need to add that these are for the whole region, and the higher numbers apply to customers of public power.—I see it in your talking points, but I think this is a big, big point for readers to note. Slide 22, regional economic productivity effects. In Chapter 3.7 there are ranges, though you could just use an average. For MO1 it would be about 135+470 I don't know exactly where these numbers came from on your graph showing 440 jobs lost for MO1. Slide 26 seems to be a duplicate of the previous slide, but without any numbers.

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 28, 2020 1:49 PM
To: Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>
Subject: FW: CRSO PP
I went off of these summary tables...

From: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 12:52 PM
To: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: CRSO PP
Rodrigo,
Good luck with this update project!
Here's a handy sheet with power impacts that I find useful. It has the most important tables from the power results chapter 3.7.
And I saw from your out-of-office that you were in DC with the tribal relations training? How was that? I took the class about 3 years ago when it was first offered.
Birgit

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 12:24 PM
To: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>
Subject: FW: CRSO PP
Hey Birgit!
Thanks for reaching out, I will work on the PPT this week...Scott A sent me exec summary, can you send me CH 7? And or any other related materials you think I could benefit from?
I'll send you Dave and team a DRAFT end of this week for you to re view and reach out if I have specific questions...txs!
Rodrigo

From: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 10:51 AM
To: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: CRSO PP
Hey Rodrigo,
I thought I'd check in with you on the powerpoint. Things are slower for me this week, then will pick up again. What information should I be sending you? Do you want to share your most-recent copy with me to identify what needs updating? Several numbers moved around in the last couple of months, so we will want to take a close look before using the power information from earlier presentations.
Birgit

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 1:34 PM
To: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>; Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>; Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkenedy@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: CRSO PP
Thanks Birgit!

From: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 12:26 PM

To: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>; Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>; Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>

Subject: RE: CRSO PP

It looks like we had the power information in slides 20-25

For slide 19, you can add the PA to the first bullet. And the text box the PA's biggest driver is Flexible spring spill to 125% TDG

Slides 45 and onward are trickier. We've changed some of the calculations for all the MOs. I'm attaching a bunch of tables that I've compiled for myself. You might take a look at this and see if it is helpful. I was going to cross-reference it for you with the slides, but I just got a different priority for something that has to be reviewed by COB. So why don't you see what is easy for you to find in these tables, and then we'll connect later today or early next week on any outstanding updates?

Birgit

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>

Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 8:55 AM

To: Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>; Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>

Subject: RE: CRSO PP

Txs Jason,r

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Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 8:51 AM

To: Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>; George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>

Subject: RE: CRSO PP

Here are the summary tables for the MOS and NAA from the current version of Chap 3.5. I will dig out the PA estimates from Chap 7 that need to be added.

Upper Columbia Spring Chinook	NAA	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4
Survival (%) - <i>McNary to Bonneville</i>	69.5	70.0	68.7	70.6	71.0
LCM Powerhouse Passage <i>Rock Island to Bonneville</i>	3.29	3.08	3.66	2.89	2.53
LCM Smolt to Adult Return Rate (%) <i>Rock Island to Bonneville</i>	0.94	0.95	0.93	0.95	0.96
Upper Columbia Steelhead	NAA	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4
Survival (%) <i>McNary to Bonneville</i>	65.8	65.6	64.0	66.2	66.1
LCM Powerhouse Passage <i>Rock Island to Bonneville</i>	2.72	2.59	2.89	2.52	2.31
LCM Smolt to Adult Return Rate (%)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Snake River Spring Summer Chinook	NAA	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4
CSS Survival (%) – <i>Lower Granite to Bonneville</i>	57.6	58.3	53.7	68.2	63.5
LCM Survival (%) – <i>Lower Granite to Bonneville</i>	50.4	51.0	50.1	60.0	50.7
CSS Powerhouse Passage (PITPH)	2.15	1.74	3.48	0.56	0.34
LCM Powerhouse Passage	2.25	1.88	3.02	0.66	0.49
CSS Smolt to Adult Return Rate (%)	2.0	2.2	1.4	4.3	3.5

LCM Smolt to Adult Return Rate (%)	0.88	0.88	0.90	1.0	0.77
Snake River Steelhead	NAA	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4
CSS Survival (%) – <i>Lower Granite to Bonneville</i>	57.1	58.8	44.4	83.1	73.7
LCM Survival (%) – <i>Lower Granite to Bonneville</i>	42.7	42.2	40.2	52.7	43.1
CSS Powerhouse Passage (PITPH)	1.96	1.64	3.26	0.46	0.28
LCM Powerhouse Passage	1.73	1.47	2.26	0.42	0.35
CSS Smolt to Adult Return Rate (%)	1.8	1.9	1.3	5.0	3.1
LCM Smolt to Adult Return Rate (%)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other Anadromous Stocks	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4	
Chum	2% Decrease in meeting Chum Flows - Minor Adverse	3% Decrease in meeting Chum Flows - Minor Adverse	1% Increase in meeting Chum Flows - Minor beneficial	12% Decrease in meeting Chum flows - Moderate Adverse	
Fall Chinook	UC: Similar to NAA. SR: Warmer Water leads to minor increases in Straying and fallback	UC: Similar to NAA. SR: Increased transport leads to minor increases in straying and fallback	UC: Similar to NAA. SR: Short term major adverse (large mortality event during breaching) and long term Major Beneficial (large increase in habitat)	UC: increased TDG and more hot days in late summer leads to minor negative. SR: Similar to NAA - with minor negative effects from TDG	
Sockeye	UC: ~NAA. SR: Warmer Water leads to minor increases in Straying and fallback	UC: Slightly lower Survival expected - Minor effect. SR: Increased transport leads to minor increases in straying and fallback	UC: ~NAA SR: Short term major negative (large mortality event during breaching) and long term Moderate Positive (increased survival)	UC: increased TDG and more hot days in late summer leads to minor negative. SR: ~NAA - with minor negative effects from TDG	
Resident Fish	MO1	MO2	MO3	MO4	

Region A	<p>Minor to Moderate adverse: Reduced productivity, increased entrainment, increased varial zone effects and reduced river habitats</p> <p>Minor Beneficial in Kootenai Lake productivity and habitat.</p> <p>Pend Oreille similar to NAA</p>	<p>Minor to Major adverse-High winter flows - Reduced productivity, increased entrainment, decreased river habitat</p> <p>Pend Oreille similar to NAA.</p>	<p>Localized Minor beneficial: Lake Kookanusa productivity increased;</p> <p>Minor to Moderate Adverse Hungry Horse reduced productivity, varial zone effects, increased entrainment, reduced river habitats, increased fluctuations-Pend Oreille similar to NAA</p>	<p>Moderate to Major Adverse: reduced productivity, increased entrainment, decreased river habitat;moderate in most years, major in dry years</p> <p>Minor to Moderate effects in Pend Oreille</p> <p>Minor beneficial in Kootenai River riparian area</p>
Region B	<p>Minor to Moderate Adverse: reduced productivity, increased entrainment, increases stranding of eggs, increased varial zone effects</p>	<p>Moderate and localized Major Adverse: Reduced retention time and productivity, higher entrainment, increased stranding of eggs, increased varial zone effects,</p>	<p>Minor Adverse: increased winter entrainment, most metrics similar to NAA or minor adverse</p>	<p>Moderate to Major Adverse: Reduced retention time and productivity, increased entrainment, increased stranding of eggs and varial zone effects. Major in dry years.</p>
Region C	<p>Minor Adverse: Increased temperatures and TDG</p>	<p>Moderate to Major Adverse: High entrainment in winter from Dworshak, Snake River increased turbine routes</p>	<p>Short term major adverse: construction effects</p> <p>Long-term Major beneficial: riverine habitat restoration and connectivity of bull trout and white sturgeon populations</p>	<p>Minor Adverse: Increased TDG</p>
Region D	<p>Negligible to Minor Adverse: Decreased flows and John Day pool elevation affecting habitat.</p>	<p>Negligible to Minor Adverse: Decreased flows</p>	<p>Negligible to Minor adverse: Decreased flows</p>	<p>Adverse: Increased TDG, decreased flows in some years.</p> <p>Minor beneficial: increased flows in dry years.</p>

From: Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>

Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 8:45 AM

To: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>; Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>

Subject: RE: CRSO PP

I know your guys are slammed with other things so maybe just small bullets of model results on fish and any power numbers we want to hit.

Birgit-you are welcome to join me-I think we tagged teamed that last update to them-I'll forward the agenda next.

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>

Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 8:41 AM

To: Sweet,Jason C (BPA) - PGB-5 <jcsweet@bpa.gov>; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 <bgkoehler@bpa.gov>

Cc: Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>

Subject: FW: CRSO PP

Jason/Birgit,

I talked to Dave, and Fish and Power would be most of what he would need...Do you have any updates in data that I could incorporate and add to the December PA version PPT?

Thanks!

Rodrigo

From: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4

Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 8:32 AM

To: Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>

Subject: RE: CRSO PP

Hey Dave,

Thanks for reaching out. I am heading to DC for Tribal Relations training for all of next week. I will come by and if you can point me to specific sections that you'd like, perhaps I can augment and update the previous deck I had with some PA data in it...I'll come by your office in case you're there...Thanks, r

From: Kennedy,David K (BPA) - EC-4 <dkkennedy@bpa.gov>

Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 8:30 AM

To: George,Rodrigo (BPA) - E-4 <rdgeorge@bpa.gov>

Subject: CRSO PP

Hi Rodrigo! I have a presentation to the account execs next Thursday to update them on the CRSO and would like to use your PowerPoint. Have you had a chance or could you update it with some of the results for the preferred alternative? Those results are in our Chapter 7 and to a degree in the exec summary both of which I can provide so let me know if you have time to do this and thanks!

From: Peacock Williamson,Julie (BPA) - DIR-7

Sent: Tue Mar 17 12:09:48 2020

To: Zelinsky,Benjamin D (BPA) - E-4; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5; Fisher,Daniel H (BPA) - PSR-6

Cc: Cogswell,Peter (BPA) - DI-7; Hobson,Claire A (BPA) - PSW-6

Subject: FW: Draft EIS

Importance: Normal

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Hello All,

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Thank you!

Julie

From: Ashley Slater

Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:19 AM

To: Peacock Williamson,Julie (BPA) - DIR-7

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Draft EIS

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Sent: Tue Mar 17 13:18:25 2020
To: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5; Zelinsky,Benjamin D (BPA) - E-4; Fisher,Daniel H (BPA) - PSR-6
Cc: Cogswell,Peter (BPA) - DI-7; Hobson,Claire A (BPA) - PSW-6
Subject: RE: Draft EIS
Importance: Normal

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Thanks Birgit, this is very helpful! I'll send these back to PNGC.

From: Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 1:16 PM
To: Peacock Williamson,Julie (BPA) - DIR-7 ; Zelinsky,Benjamin D (BPA) - E-4 ; Fisher,Daniel H (BPA) - PSR-6
Cc: Cogswell,Peter (BPA) - DI-7 ; Hobson,Claire A (BPA) - PSW-6
Subject: RE: Draft EIS

I'm adding comments below

From: Peacock Williamson,Julie (BPA) - DIR-7 jxpeacockwilliamson@bpa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:10 PM
To: Zelinsky,Benjamin D (BPA) - E-4 bdzelinsky@bpa.gov>; Koehler,Birgit G (BPA) - PG-5 bgkoehler@bpa.gov>; Fisher,Daniel H (BPA) - PSR-6 dhfisher@bpa.gov>
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Birgit: You can say that the flex spill agreement is a central component of the PA, but the PA encompasses quite a bit more.

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Birgit: No, the 2.7% is relative the 2016 operational paradigm. The table on page 7-164 includes a sensitivity analysis if cuts are made in F&W program of 2016. The \$40 M cut that already happened

would fit that bill and would not be additive. In other words, the cuts that have already happened would largely offset the 2.7% rate increase.

3) Who has the responsibility to acquire/build/contract for replacement energy – particularly under MOs 3 and 4 scenarios? Is this an open question that the EIS doesn't address directly?

Birgit: Correct. It is an open question. We looked at two financing scenarios. In one, BPA takes responsibility (within statutory authority, 6c process, etc.). The other would be for the customers to acquire the resources. If MO3 or MO4 were adopted, there would undoubtedly be a lengthy conversation between BPA and customers like PNGC.

From: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7
Sent: Wed Apr 01 10:10:56 2020
To: Lynda Mapes
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: update
Importance: Normal
Attachments: image003.png; image004.png

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Please let me know if you find this back and forth useful. Honestly, I am a little uncomfortable having this back and forth with a private citizen in full view of one of the most influential reporters in the region who works for the largest newspaper in the region. Please let me know how you feel. If you find it valuable, I'm not telling Mr. Hawley anything I wouldn't say to you if you were interviewing me about any of the information I provided to you and other reporters across the region earlier this week.

Hope you are well and staying safe. I can't imagine how nerve racking it must be to live in Seattle as all of the Covid-19 awfulness unfolds. Take care.

From: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 10:01 AM
To: 'steven hawley'
Cc: Lynda Mapes
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: update

And, let me be very clear. These points are not meant to advocate one way or another. They are meant to ensure that the foundation of the discussions are based in fact and honesty. Hence the question I just asked via email.

From: steven hawley sjhawley@me.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 9:18 AM
To: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7 gdjohnson@bpa.gov>
Cc: Lynda Mapes lmapes@seattletimes.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: update

See Response from your legal team below. This was last year. It's a little more than "basic math" as you suggest in your reply, to say that rural PUD's get 10 percent of their power from the LSRD's. It suggests at least a slightly more sophisticated accounting system. Do you keep track of power sales/allocations from individual projects or not?

St

DATA REQUEST:

Please provide the annual revenues associated with power generation at each of the four Lower Snake River dams from 1998 through 2018.

RESPONSE:

Bonneville objects to this data request because it would require analysis that BPA did not perform in preparation for the BP-20 Initial Proposal.

Without waiving this objection, Bonneville provides the following response. BPA does not track revenues associated with any dam individually. Rather, energy produced by FCRPS dams contributes to the total portfolio of generation that serves preference customer load and is sold into wholesale markets. With respect to the value of generation, this means that the Lower Snake dams support both generation sold at the current average Tier 1 rate of \$35.57/MWh and surplus sales at times when generation exceeds preference customer load.

This was the response to our request for the actual cost of spill:

RESPONSE:

- 1) BPA objects to this request because it would require BPA to perform additional analysis. See BPA Rules of Procedure section 1010.12(b)(1)(ii). BPA does not have actual costs for OY 2018. Calculating actual costs would be a complex counterfactual study that would ultimately result in another estimate given specific market conditions, which would change given any different river operation.

On Mar 31, 2020, at 11:02 PM, steven hawley sjhawley@me.com> wrote:

The lawyers said something to the effect that they couldn't give accurate numbers on generation because to do so would be an exercise in fiction.

St

From: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7
Sent: Wed Apr 01 21:56:33 2020
To: 'Katy Nesbitt'
Subject: Clarification
Importance: Normal

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Something you said while we were talking about cost cuts this morning stood out. You talked about cuts to our Fish and Wildlife program. Just making sure you know that while there were some modest cuts in F&W those cuts were across the board and included debt management and other tools referenced in our Strategic Plan. I can provide more if you need it. Just don't want reference to cuts to be exclusive to F&W.

From: Katy Nesbitt
Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 10:43 AM
To: Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Anthony Bailey - Oregon Trail Electric

11 today works!

Can you forward me his number?

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 10:42 AM Johnson,G Douglas (BPA) - DK-7 <gdjohnson@bpa.gov> wrote:

Katy,

Anthony Bailey with Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative is available to talk at 11 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. today or around 11 a.m. tomorrow. Do any of those times work for you?

From: Lopez, Erika A
Sent: Wed Apr 29 11:14:17 2020
To: Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA); Habibi, Maryam A (BPA) - DKP-7; Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Cc: Coffey, Michael A
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXTERNAL] Comm team - Plan Review (UNCLASSIFIED)
Importance: Normal
Attachments: CRSO Final EIS CommPlan 04-29-20 Comms Draft.doc

Attached are my suggested edits/questions/comments in track changes.

Thank you,
Erika

-----Original Message-----

From: Echols, Amy M CIV USARMY CENWD (USA) <Amy.M.Echols@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 5:04 PM
To: maasgharian@bpa.gov; Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>; Lopez, Erika A <EALopez@usbr.gov>
Cc: Coffey, Michael A <mcoffey@usbr.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comm team - Plan Review (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Hi Comms team - attached is the next version of the Comm Plan from now thru FEIS release. Please provide one more review and any track changes back so we can then resolve and move up to Deputies as a working draft, as we did with the DEIS plans. I rearranged a few parts to be more similar to the DEIS plans - if issues on this, please let me know. If July 30 is the anticipated release date, then we can leave that in here. I'd heard last week it would be earlier but who knows....

Comments back by Thursday noon would be appreciated.

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Objectives

- Remain responsive to media and public inquiries.
- Develop corrections to misinformation and provide to media, web post and other distributions as appropriate.
- Continue to educate the public about the ongoing role and purpose of Columbia River System.
- Provide EIS updates to stakeholders, Congressional delegation, media and other members of the public.
- Prepare for public release of FEIS.

Media support

- Continue to direct all media inquiries to Matt Rabe as lead media liaison, for response coordination as appropriate with Michael Coffey (Reclamation), Doug Johnson (BPA) and higher levels as appropriate.
 - Goal for same-day response time to new media inquiries.
- Media team will monitor media coverage, maintain media clips for the project record and provide leadership, Legal, Policy, Comms, and Tribal teams with periodic updates from relevant media interactions and coverage.

Public updates

- **Update 1**
Timing: May
Topics: Close of comment period, acknowledgement to region, next steps; latest We Are Here graphic (*similar to Scoping summary outreach*)
- **Update 2**
Timing: June
Topics: Mitigation education/Q&A; prep for FEIS release (what to expect)

Distributions: web posting and mailing lists (general public, Congressional, Tribal, media)

Web Updates

- Post transcripts, public updates and other content as needed.

Final EIS release planning

Below is an initial outline of public outreach actions for the FEIS release. Additional details and sub plans will consider emerging communication needs and risks, and will include specific tactics, topics, roles and responsibilities, as well as related activities that support informing and involving audiences as appropriate through the release.

Product (initial list)	Responsible party	Required reviews
Joint talking points	Echols – high level, aligned with EIS	Anticipate thru 3 agencies' HQs, Legal, Comm Directors
Agency talking points (3)	Comms leads – agency specific, will share	Legal, Policy
Joint media plan News release Op Ed piece (tentative) Editorial Board meetings (tentative)	Media Team	Anticipate thru 3 agencies' HQs, DOI
Email announcement	Corps	

Postal mail announcement	BPA	
Social media posts	Media Team	
Website updates	Corps – Echols	
Paid ads for FEIS availability (tentative)	BPA – Habibi	?
Fact sheet or similar highlights for the lay person	Comms Team	Anticipate thru 3 agencies' HQs, Legal
Updated We Are Here Graphic	Reclamation – Lopez, Eld	
Pre-record video/audio sound bites; prepare b-roll footage for distribution with news release (tentative)	Media Team	

Outreach sequence		
Date (all in 2020)	Action	Materials
July 27-28	Proactive outreach to Congressional delegation, governors, Federal Caucus, key media to notify of release date, process, etc., using key messages and other products as appropriate to release (similar to detailed DEIS release list)	Key messages, written products through targeted calls and email
July xx	FEIS files sent to EPA for Federal Register	FEIS, appendices
JULY 30	RELEASE DAY (PUBLISH DATE)	NOA
	Website updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o CRSO website o salmonrecovery.gov that directs visitors to the CRSO website o Reclamation's CRSO EIS website that directs visitors to the CRSO website 	www.crso.info
	Run newspaper ads	
	Issue joint news release <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Corps distributes to email list o BPA distributes via Meltwater and FlashNews o Upload to Reclamation's CRSO EIS website 	News release
	Send email notice to all cooperating agencies, Tribal partners, email distribution list.	Email
	Postal mail hits mailboxes	Public notice
	Announce FEIS availability via social media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Each agency to monitor their own social media channels 	Twitter, Facebook, Instagram per agencies' choices
	Distribute op-ed (tentative)	Op-ed piece
	POST-RELEASE	
	Editorial boards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Seattle Times and other major media (tentative) 	
	Respond to media requests	
	Media analysis – media team provide NEPA CRSO Team with analysis of key issues and concerns that arise and potential actions.	

From: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 1:57 PM
To: Renner, Marcella P (BPA) - E-4
Subject: Seattle Times Editorial Board

Hi Marcella-

I requested either the 11th or 12th with the Seattle Times Ed Board.

I have not heard back yet. Will let you know when I do.

I am out the rest of the day beginning at 230 and then off tomorrow (Fri) too.

However, I will try to get in touch with the Times before the end of tomorrow so we can schedule the visit with Scott.

Will let you know as soon as I get a firm date and time.

Thank you!

Dave

David B. Wilson

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From: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 2:11 PM
To: 'Joe Palmquist'
Subject: RE: Editorial Board visit to discuss Columbia and Snake rivers
Environmental Impact Statement draft

Hi Joe-

Thanks for the follow up email. Do you have time during the first week of March to see us?

Thank you,

Dave

From: Joe Palmquist <JoeP@SPOKESMAN.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 1:29 PM
To: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Editorial Board visit to discuss Columbia and Snake rivers Environmental Impact Statement draft

Hi David,

We no longer have an editorial board, but still get a lot of requests from folks like yourself. We offer an alternative that often times is more helpful. We could schedule a date to meet with a couple of reporters and editors. These meetings usually lead to story ideas. I can invite our publisher, Stacey Cowles, who decides on editorials. His schedule is a little harder to coordinate, but we would love to host you at The Spokesman-Review. Please let me know a time that works for you.

Joe Palmquist, Managing Editor

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Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 10:13 AM
To: Joe Palmquist <JoeP@SPOKESMAN.com <mailto:JoeP@SPOKESMAN.com> >; Rob Curley <robcc@SPOKESMAN.com <mailto:robcc@SPOKESMAN.com> >; Jonathan Brunt <JonathanB@SPOKESMAN.com <mailto:JonathanB@SPOKESMAN.com> >
Cc: Mary Beth Donelan <MaryBethD@SPOKESMAN.com <mailto:MaryBethD@SPOKESMAN.com> >

Subject: Editorial Board visit to discuss Columbia and Snake rivers Environmental Impact Statement draft

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Hi-

Executives at the Bonneville Power Administration and the US Army Corps of Engineers are proposing to meet with the Spokesman Review Editorial Board following the release of the

draft Columbia River System Operations EIS - due out Feb 28. Once the CRSO EIS is released, there will be a 45 day public comment period when at least six public meetings will be held across the Northwest.

We feel it is extremely important the region is aware of the many demands on the Columbia and Snake river system and that residents understand the EIS process, the opportunity to make public comments and perhaps most importantly, the tradeoffs when deciding the future of their river system.

The EIS is led by three federal agencies and 19 cooperating agencies representing states, tribes business leaders and others. It examines the many uses of the river system and their impacts such as flood control, power production, irrigation, navigation, fish and wildlife conservation and socio economic effects.

We believe there are many people throughout eastern Washington and beyond who would benefit from an informed Spokesman Review editorial regarding the draft CRSO EIS. We sincerely hope you will consider our offer to meet with your board.

Please let me know as soon as possible if this is of interest to your paper.

Thank you,

Dave

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From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 2:18 PM
To: Renner,Marcella P (BPA) - E-4
Subject: Spokesman Review editorial

Hi-

Does Scott have any other time the first of that week on the 9th for Spokane? Or how about Friday the 13th? Eewww Fri the 13th L

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From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 2:34 PM

To: Renner, Marcella P (BPA) - E-4
Subject: RE: Spokesman Review editorial

What about the week before?

Anytimes then?

From: Renner, Marcella P (BPA) - E-4 <mprenner@bpa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 2:20 PM
To: Wilson, David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: Spokesman Review editorial

I could make any time on the 9th work. 13th is out. Deputy meetings and CRSO EIS stuff.

Thanks,

Marcella P. Renner

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Knudson,Thanh (CONTR) - CGI-7

From: Palen,Candice D (BPA) - CGI-7
Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 7:39 AM
To: Knudson,Thanh (CONTR) - CGI-7
Subject: Emails Responsive to FOIA Request

From: Wilson,David B (BPA) - DKP-7 <dbwilson@bpa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 1:18 PM
To: Palen,Candice D (BPA) - CGI-7 <cdpalen@bpa.gov>
Subject: RE: Emails Responsive to FOIA Request

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From: David Bryan Wilson Voiceover Artist [REDACTED] (b)(6)
Date: January 10, 2020 at 9:01:02 AM PST
To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org>
Subject: Re: BPA intv

Kieran Connolly. He is VP of BPA Asset Management.

My intention in listening in is to not interrupt but simply here how the interview goes. Monitor. Pretty much my job. Also, occasionally, BPA folks can get technical and I can help explain. But I'll mostly be quiet.

We still on for 10?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 10, 2020, at 8:26 AM, Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org> wrote:

Possibly, I can ask. Who will I be speaking with? Thanks

Kirk Siegler | Correspondent, National Desk | 310-815-4280 @KSiegler

-----Original Message-----

From: David Bryan Wilson Voiceover Artist [REDACTED] (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2020 12:54 AM
To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org>
Subject: Re: BPA intv

Can the engineer call into three lines?

One for you, my expert and me?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 9, 2020, at 9:23 PM, Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org> wrote:

No, sorry, audio quality on speaker is most often unlistenable

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 9, 2020, at 9:06 PM, David Bryan Wilson Voiceover Artist [REDACTED] wrote:

Hmmm. I'd like to listen in to the interview. Tough if it's not on a speaker phone. Anyway around that?

Dave

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 9, 2020, at 7:24 PM, Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org> wrote:

Hi David,

Yes, I think that works. If it's possible to do closer to 9:30 AM let me know, that would be better even.

I'm traveling as I think I mentioned - so an engineer in either DC or our LA office will call the BPA source and get them on the line and then I will be conferenced in. Please make sure they're not on a speaker phone :)

This is something we'll tape and I'll take soundbites from for a story for NPR's All Things Considered - long way of saying it's not live and can be pretty informal, if that helps.

Keep me posted and thanks for doing this on short notice

Kirk

Kirk Siegler | Correspondent, National Desk | 310-815-4280 @KSiegler

-----Original Message-----

From: David Bryan Wilson Voiceover Artist [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2020 7:27 PM

To: Kirk Siegler <KSiegler@npr.org>

Subject: BPA intv

Hi Kirk

I have a person who can speak to you tomorrow morning. Around 10 am. Does that work?

If so, let me know and we can call you about then.

Thank you,

David Wilson

BPA