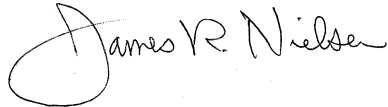


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FROM: **Jim Nielsen, Chairperson, Salmon Managers**

DATE: **May 23, 2000**

SUBJECT: **Flow at McNary Dam**

SPECIFICATIONS: Meet flows of at least 220 Kcfs at McNary Dam for the week ending June 4, 2000.

JUSTIFICATION: Flows are receding during the peak of spring fish migration due to the need to refill reservoirs to provide water for the summer migration. The aggressive refill is needed because of unnecessarily conservative drafting of the reservoirs this past spring for flood control. Unacceptably low flows have resulted for the majority of the fish migration. Maintain flows at Priest Rapids Dam to protect emergent fall chinook.