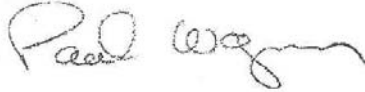


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FROM: Paul Wagner Chairperson, Salmon Managers

DATE: August 25th, 2008

SUBJECT: Spill Operations at Little Goose Dam

SPECIFICATIONS: Spill a continuous 11 Kcfs from Little Goose Dam as long as needed to stabilize spill, minimum powerhouse operations, and Minimum Operating Pool operations at Lower Monumental and Ice Harbor Dams. The Fisheries Agencies and Tribes will monitor adult passage at Little Goose Dam to ensure this operation does not negatively impact migrating adult salmonids.

JUSTIFICATION: At the 8-25-08 TMT call, the COE and BPA advised of current issues relating to meeting spill, minimum powerhouse operations, and Minimum Operating Pool operations at Lower Monumental and Ice Harbor Dams. Based upon the discussions of potential options to alleviate this issue during this call, the salmon managers request a continuous spill of 11 Kcfs at Little Goose Dam. It is our understanding and intent that this spill operation will allow the Action Agencies the flexibility to alleviate the current issues with meeting the planned operations at Lower Monumental Dam and Ice Harbor Dam.