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Mr. Brian Lipscomb, Executive Director Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority 851 S.W. Sixth Avenue, Suite 260 Portland, Oregon 97204



Dear Mr. Lipscomb:

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (Tribes) have chosen to abstain from the decision to forward the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority (CBFWA) comments to the Northwest Power and Conservation Council. The Tribes have elected to abstain due to perceived inconsistencies between our MOA and program recommendations submitted by CBFWA. The Tribes are currently working with the Bonneville Power Administration to address these issues.

Sincerely, Wiefea To Tower

Joe Peone, Fish and Wildlife Director Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

cc: CBFWA Members