



August 31, 2004

Judi Danielson, Chair
Northwest Power and Conservation Council
851 SW 6th, Suite 1100
Portland, OR 97204-1348

Dear Ms. Danielson:

This report on the implementation of projects submitted and recommended for funding through the Northwest Power and Conservation Council's (NPCC) Rolling Provincial Review and the Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Program represents the efforts of fish and wildlife managers to restore fish and wildlife habitat and populations negatively affected by Federal hydroelectric development and operations. While there are reports (e.g., Northwest Power Planning Council's 2002 Annual Report) that have provided updates on the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) fish and wildlife financial obligations per general purpose (e.g., research and evaluation, habitat, monitoring), and species (i.e., wildlife, resident fish, and anadromous fish), these reports have been at a province scale and not at the subbasin and project scale. This report provides the template for a detailed review, at a subbasin scale, of the numbers, kinds, locations and results relative to projects recommended for funding through the NPCC's Rolling Provincial Review. From 2003 through January 2004, the Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Authority's (CBFWA) technical committees reviewed the implementation of approximately 30 percent of the projects funded through the Program, with the remaining projects scheduled for review during CBFWA's Anadromous Fish Committee 2004 Project Implementation Review Conference.

This initial effort to assess ongoing implementation activities represents a summary of location-based accomplishments and a concerted effort to address the lack of accountability that has plagued the Columbia River Basin. This report, as well as those in the upcoming years, will be useful for subbasin planners, fish and wildlife managers, federal regulators, and the power industry to more precisely identify restorations and investment priorities for each subbasin. Future reports will utilize this template to provide continuity for reviewing fish and wildlife managers' progress towards achieving project objectives and goals, and to support other data collection efforts.

All the data that has been accumulated and summarized for this report is provided on a compact disk included with each report. The report is also available on the CBFWA web site at www.cbfgwa.org.

The Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority is grateful to the fish and wildlife managers throughout the region, NPCC, and the BPA for providing information and reviews during the development of this report.

Sincerely,

Rodney W. Sando, Executive Director
Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Authority

cc: CBFWA Members

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