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Carter Stein, PTAGIS Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Stein,

I am writing to request PTAGIS Program assistance in collecting PIT-tagged, yearling spring/summer Chinook salmon from McCall (Idaho) State Hatchery using the Sort-by-Code system at John Day Dam. The US COE is funding this project and arranged to have 3,000 fish at McCall PIT tagged for us. Our goal is to re-collect 150 of these fish. We received FPAC concurrence for the work via email from Dave Wills (March 1, 2005) and we have coordinated our sampling plans with US COE and PSMFC staff at John Day Dam.

I have been discussing this project with Dave Marvin in your office and I believe we are ready to establish the criteria for recollecting the McCall fish. I will continue to work with Dave throughout the season. If you require any additional information on this project, please contact me or Matt Mesa in this office. Thank you for your help with this research.

Sincerely,

Alec G. Maule, Ph.D.
Supervisory Research Physiologist

cc: Dave Marvin, PSMFC
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